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Greetings from your new ICEHS Section Newsletter Editor John Lundell at the University of Iowa Injury Prevention Research Center. I am pleased to help share important information among the members of our section. Please send articles for future issues to me at john-lundell@uiowa.edu.

Notes from the Chair

Greetings ICEHS members and friends,



Plans are proceeding for an exciting and interesting meeting in San Diego so make your reservations and register now if you haven't already.

Always an exciting part of the annual meeting, the awards banquet provides a forum for the recognition of contributions of well established and newly emerging leaders in our field. For the 2008 Student Paper Award, we received very interesting papers this year which are currently undergoing review. This year, both Sue Gerberich and Lenora Olsen delegated the receipt, review and ranking of papers for the ICEHS student paper award to an ICEHS team of members with no affiliations to the students or academic institutions with submissions under review. This action, suggested by Sue Gerberich, was done to avoid any potential conflict of interest in judging and scoring as both Lenora and Sue had participated in the training and mentoring of students who are competing for the award. If you are a student, it is never too early to join ICEHS and begin planning your student paper award submission for next year. Use the annual meeting to link up with mentors for advice on your student paper award submission for next year and come join us at what is sure to be an exciting awards dinner at the Bali Hai restaurant, a San Diego favorite. Sign up to ride the ICEHS chartered water taxi and begin networking in route to the dinner.

Doug Wiebe has worked to put together an exciting scientific program that includes late breaker oral and poster sessions. ICEHS secretary, Kathleen Ferguson (ferg0114@umn.edu), thought the 2007 book raffle was fun and interesting—and it made money for the section. If you are interested in submitting a book or know someone who might be, contact Kathleen. Nancy Nachreiner (Nachr001@umn.edu) is currently accepting offers for staffing of the award winning ICEHS booth. If you are coming to San Diego, this is a great way to network and get more involved with the section.

Committee chairs conducted audio calls in July and August to begin to plan next year's activities and in preparation for their role in the upcoming annual meeting. One of the business meetings will include roundtables and time for committee co-chairs and interested members to link up and make plans for the upcoming year. If you are interested in participating on committee(s), come to the Monday all member breakfast to meet ICEHS members with similar interests. If you can't make San Diego, e-mail Kathleen (ferg0114@umn.edu) or Joyce (jp376@columbia.edu) who will see that your interest reaches the appropriate committee chair. Formerly called the newcomer's breakfast, the all member breakfast will include designated committee tables and breakouts for those interested in speaking to colleagues about issues being addressed by a particular committee. Members, new and old, are welcome to come, mingle, talk to each other, and wander around among committee tables. In addition to the committees listed on the ICEHS section of the APHA website, a committee aimed at addressing injury disparities will be convened to discuss Healthy People 2020 activities.

We look forward to seeing and talking to you in San Diego.
Joyce Pressley, Ph.D, M.P.H.
Chair, ICEHS

Final Program: 2008 APHA ICEHS Sessions, Socials, and Business Meetings

ANNUAL MEETING 2008 INJURY CONTROL AND EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2008

Attendance at all scientific sessions require APHA registration.

AT A GLANCE ICEHS SOCIALS AND BUSINESS MEETINGS

ICEHS Booth is #2516

We thank *The Make Roads Safe Campaign for Global Road Safety* for partial financial sponsorship of the booth

Sunday 3:00-6:00 PM ICEHS Leadership business meeting

258.0 Manchester Grand Hyatt Cunningham A

Monday 6:30-8:00 AM All-member breakfast With Committee Meeting Breakouts

302.0 ICEHS All-Member Welcome Breakfast Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm H

Monday 6:30-8:00 PM ICEHS Social Hour Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm I

Tuesday 4:30-5:45 PM ICEHS Business Meeting M. Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm H

Tuesday 6:00 pm: ICEHS Awards Dinner Bali Hai Restaurant, 2230 Shelter Is.

6:00 PM for Water Taxi Pick-up at 5th Avenue Dock 6:30 PM Cocktails

We thank *The Make Roads Safe Campaign for Global Road Safety* for partial sponsorship of the ICEHS Awards dinner and the *Liberty Mutual Research Institute for Safety* for partial sponsorship of the student paper award.

Free Water Taxi passes and directions to pick up and drop off at the 5th Avenue Dock near the Convention Center are available at the ICEHS booth and at the Dock on the day of departure on a first come first serve basis. Driving distance is 5.8 miles with parking availability at the restaurant. Driving directions are available at the booth.

SUNDAY 2:30 PM POSTER SESSIONS

2038.0 Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Posters SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Comparative Analysis of EMS Components of State Strategic Highway Safety Plans: Where is EMS? *N. Levick, MD, MPH*; H. P. Cordi, MD, MPH, EMT-P

Board 2 — There's no place like home; motor vehicle crashes and distance from residence *F. M. Von Recklinghausen, PhD MPA*

Board 3 — Physician attitudes, knowledge, and practice behavior regarding teen driving safety *K. T. Borrup, JD, MPA*; B. Campbell, MD MPH; J. Corsi, MBA; K. Kelliher, MD; H. Salaheen, MBBS MPH; L. Banco, MD; G. Lapidus, PA-C MPH

Board 4 — Prototype 'Safety Concept' Ambulances – Are They Actually Safe? *N. Levick, MD, MPH*; R. Grzebieta, PhD

Board 5 — Safety and Crashworthiness Engineering Analysis of the Ambulance Manufacturing Division's (AMD) 2007 Ambulance Standards *N. Levick, MD, MPH*; R. Grzebieta, PhD

Board 6 — Providing opportunities: The Special Needs Child Passenger Safety Program, Riverside County, California *O. Ballesteros, BA*; M. Anguiano; W. Betancourt, MPH; M. Osur, MBA

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2008

INJURY CONTROL AND EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES

This program is intended for registered participants only. No admission without APHA Conference registration badge. Annual Meeting Program at a Glance for sessions primarily sponsored by ICEHS section.

6:30 AM All-member breakfast

302.0 ICEHS All-Member Welcome Breakfast Manchester Grand Hyatt
Manchester Blrm H

8:30 AM Special Session on Injury Research Methods Manchester Grand Hyatt Randle Blrm B

Moderator(s): G. Li, MD, Ph.D and J. Pressley, PhD, MPH

8:30 AM — A Multi-State Child Death Review Case Report System: A new web-based data system supporting public health prevention approach to death reviews *M. Overpeck, DrPH*; T. Covington, MPH; S. Bryn, Captain

8:45 AM — Using interviews with providers to increase the efficiency and explanatory power of qualitative studies of violence *A. S. DiStefano, PhD, MPH*

9:00 AM — Multilevel statistical modeling of hospital mortality after injury: Software comparisons *D. E. Clark, MD MPH*

9:15 AM — Applications of American Time Use Survey to worker safety and health *G. X. Chen, MD*

9:30 AM — A Mixed Method Approach to Studying The Relationship Between Business Improvement Districts and Youth Violence *J. M. MacDonald, PhD*; R. Stokes, PhD

10:30 AM 3132.0 Population-Tailored Emergency and Disaster Preparedness Manchester
Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm G

Moderator: L. U. Ray, PhD MPH MPPA MA

10:30 AM — Vulnerable populations in a disaster response *H. Shipp, MPH*; A. M. Smith, PhD, MPH; B. M. Stepanski, MPH; L. U. Ray, PhD MPH MPPA MA; J. M. Cooke, MPH; I. Corcos, PhD, MPH; M. V. Thabit, MPH; P. Buttron; M. Metz

10:50 AM — Best practices for decontamination with special populations *K. Taylor, MA*; K. Balfanz-Vertiz, MSW/LSW; A. Truitt, BS

11:10 AM — Project PREP -- Using Promotoras to Improve Disaster Preparedness Among Latino Immigrants *D. Eisenman, MD*; R. Maranon; Q. Zhou, MS; D. Glik, ScD; C. H. Tseng, PhD; S. Asch, MD

11:30 AM — Comparison of Emergency Medical Coordination in Two Countywide Disasters: Lessons Learned and Applied *A. M. Smith, PhD, MPH*; P. Buttron; H. Shipp, MPH; B. M. Stepanski, MPH; J. M. Cooke, MPH; L. U. Ray, PhD MPH MPPA MA; M. Metz; B. Haynes

10:30 AM 3133.0 Workplace Violence and Injury Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm E

Moderator: K. F. Carlson, MS, PhD

10:30 AM — Burnout: The Risk of Physical Assault *E. Pinder, MPH*

10:45 AM — Association Between Per Student Expenditure, Resource Allocation, and Educators' Risk of Physical Assault *S. K. Sage, MPH*; S. G. Gerberich, PhD; N. M. Nachreiner, PhD, MPH; A. D. Ryan, MS; T. R. Church, PhD; P. M. McGovern, PhD, MPH; S. J. Mongin, MS; D. M. Feda, PhD

11:00 AM — Impact of written violence policies in educational settings on risk of physical assault against Minnesota educators *D. M. Feda, PhD*; S. G. Gerberich, PhD; A. D. Ryan, MS; N. M. Nachreiner, PhD, MPH; B. H. Alexander, PhD; T. R. Church, PhD; P. M. McGovern, PhD, MPH

11:15 AM — Organizational Safety Climate, Nurse Staffing, and Work-Related Nurse Injury *J. Taylor, PhD, MPH*

11:30 AM — Hours of sleep as a risk factor for injury among working adolescents in rural Minnesota *D. M. Langner, PhD, MS*; S. G. Gerberich, PhD; B. H. Alexander, PhD; A. D. Ryan, MS; C. W. Langner, MS, MBA

12:30 PM 3174.0 Motor Vehicle-Related Injury Posters SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Epidemical features of road traffic injuries in Yunnan Province China *M. Wen*; A. Hyder; R. H. Morrow, MD, MPH

Board 2 — Where the rubber meets the road: Application of the Clinical Scholar Model to address teen motor vehicle accidents in Jefferson County, Colorado *A. Guccione, RN, MS, FNP*; S. K. Moyer, RN MSN CNSPH

Board 3 — Use of motorcycle helmet in regional areas in China *L. Li, PhD*; G. L. Li; Q. E. Cai; S. K. Lo

Board 4 — A methodology for geocoding California collision data *J. M. Bigham*; T. M. Rice, MPH, PhD; J. Lee; S. Pande; D. R. Ragland, PhD, MPH

Board 5 — Multivariate Analysis of Restraint Use and Injury Severity among Older Child Passengers in the US *J. P. Abraham, BS MPH*

Board 6 — Impact of Peer to Peer Service Learning on Teen Seat Belt Use in Jackson, Mississippi *P. Juarez, PhD*; I. Goldzweig, MS; *R. Bradley, PhD*; D. McLin, PhD

Board 7 — What's in a word? Teens describe good drivers vs. safe drivers *F. Barg, PhD*; S. Keddem, MA; K. R. Ginsburg, MD; F. K. Winston, MD, PhD; M. A. Behr, MPH

Board 8 — Cost of alcohol-related traffic crashes among drivers under 21 years of age by state *D. M. Taylor, PhD*; T. R. Miller, PhD; *M. A. Sheppard, PhD*; P. R. Jones, PhD

Board 9 — Latest Trends in Child Pedestrian Safety: A Five Year Review *M. P. Donahue, MBA*; J. Dukehart, MSc PH

12:30 PM 3175.0 Natural Disasters, Terrorism, and Chemical Emergency Preparedness Posters

SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Louisiana Operation Prepare 2007 *D. G. Brown, MS, MEd, RN, CNS*

Board 2 — Emergency preparedness status of community mental health facilities before and after hurricanes katrina and rita *S. M. Smith, EdD*; L. Peoples, RN PhD

Board 3 — Outcomes of the 2006 International Radiological Dispersal Incident: Examining the Radiological Emergency Response Capabilities in the United States *L. C. McCormick, MPH*; V. A. Yeager, MPH, MPhil; N. E. Bolus, MPH, CNMT; W. J. Duncan, PhD; P. H. Patel, MPH, MBA

Board 4 — Chemical and radiological workforce readiness: Managing the interdepartmental collaboration, planning, development and implementation of chemical and radiological emergency preparedness online curricula for a large local public health department infrastructure **M. A. Precourt, MPH**; C. Rangan, MD, FAAP, ACMT; K. Kaufman; S. Fogleman, RN, MSN/MPH, CNS; J. Day; N. Bazini-Barakat, RN, MSN, MPH; K. Garman, EdD, MAPP

Board 5 — A cost-based typology of household disaster preparedness actions: The "Get Ready Pyramid" **M. Kano, DrPH**; M. M. Wood, PhD; D. S. Mileti, PhD; L. B. Bourque, PhD

Board 6 — Terrorism-Related Fear and Avoidance Behavior in a Multi-Ethnic Urban Population **D. Eisenman, MD**; D. Glik, ScD; M. K. Ong, MD PhD; Q. Zhou, MS; A. Long, PhD; J. E. Fielding, MD, MPH; S. Asch, MD

Board 7 — Hurricane Katrina-Related Injuries and Immunizations among Gulf Coast Evacuees Sheltered in Houston, Texas, September 2005 **N. F. Weller, BSN, MPH, DrPH**; M. Faul, BS, MS, PhD; J. A. Jones, MD, MPH; U. A. Shah, MD, MPH; D. R. Hamilton, MD, PhD; H. Palacio, MD, MPH

Board 8 — Surge capacity networks **H. Foushee, PhD**

12:30 PM 3176.0 Injury Posters: Innovative Data Uses & Methods SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Survey Response Rates by Method among EMS Providers **P. N. Schmuhl, BA**; H. Van Duker, MA; K. L. Gurley, MS; L. Olson, MA, PhD

Board 2 — National estimates of injury incidence for patients treated in U.S. trauma centers compared to U.S. hospital emergency departments **S. M. Goble, MS; J. L. Annest, PhD**; D. E. Clark, MD MPH; M. Faul, BS, MS, PhD; A. Nathens, MD MPH PhD; M. Neal, MS; L. Li, PhD; P. S. Levy, ScD

Board 3 — Impact of including low probability matches on probabilistic linkage results: A comparison of high probability vs. imputed match sets **L. Cook, MStat**; S. Knight, MStat; L. Olson, MA, PhD

Board 4 — Comparison of Emergency Department Visit Data Sources **T. B. Gibson, PhD; P. J. Owens, PhD; M. Barrett, MS**; M. W. Zodet, MS; S. R. Machlin, MS; J. Nisbet, BS; A. G. Mell, MPH; R. M. Weinick, PhD

Board 5 — A model for balancing injury prevention and obesity prevention **J. M. Cooke, MPH**; M. V. Thabit, MPH; A. M. Smith, PhD, MPH; B. M. Stepanski, MPH; I. Corcos, PhD, MPH; H. Shipp, MPH; L. U. Ray, PhD MPH MPPA MA

Board 6 — EMS Syndromic Surveillance Strategies in Times of Disaster: On The Ground Focused Analysis **A. G. Garza, MD, MPH, FACEP**

Board 7 — A case-control study to assess Utah's shaken baby prevention program **H. T. Keenan, MDCM, PhD**; J. M. Leventhal, MD

Board 8 — Barell Matrix - was it a successful enterprise? (a 5 year review) **L. Aharonson-Daniel, PhD**

Board 9 — Detecting a hot spot: Using surveillance data for heat-related illnesses and deaths to target education and outreach efforts for at-risk populations **P. Kriner, MPH**; K. Lopez, MD

Board 10 — Death within 8 days after discharge home from the emergency department **O. S. Gunnarsdottir, MPH; V. Rafnsson, MD**

12:30 PM 3177.0 Injury Posters: Interesting Topics SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Gender and falls among Medicare beneficiaries age 65 years of age and older, Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS) 2005 **K. A. Mack, PhD**; J. Stevens, PhD; M. Ballesteros, PhD; P. Lapin, MHS; G. Adler

Board 2 — Utilization of a mobile safety center by low income, urban families **A. C. Gielen, ScD, ScM**; E. McDonald, MS; S. Frattaroli, PhD, MPH; L. B. McKenzie, PhD, MA; W. C. Shields, MPH; M. T. Bulzacchelli; M. Glenshaw, PhD, MPH

Board 3 — Examining racial/ethnic differences in emergency preparedness among economically disadvantaged Marylanders **M. B. Hossain, PhD; L. T. Yarber, MS, CHES**; R. Rowel, PhD

Board 4 — Regulating High-Rise Safety: The NYC Emergency Action Plan **R. R. M. Gershon, DrPH**; A. N. Canton, BA

Board 5 — What causes carbon monoxide poisoning? Identifying scenarios, audience segments, and risk behaviors **D. Rupert, MPH**; M. Lucas, BS; J. Pohlman, PhD; S. Damon, MAIA, CPH; P. Williams, BA

Board 6 — Wisconsin Injury Prevention Coalition project: Reducing injuries through community-academic partnerships **A. Christiansen, MPH**; P. Layde, MD, MSc; B. Hill, MSSW; C. E. Guse, MS; B. C. Kopp, MPH

Board 7 — An eco-social roadmap for injury prevention and research **J. G. Grabowski**

Board 8 — Unintentional poisonings: What are the prevention messages? *M. A. Sheppard, PhD*; P. R. Jones, PhD; D. M. Taylor, PhD

Board 9 — Chinese American Pediatric Parents Emergency Department Utilization and Needs Assessment E. Garcia, MD; A. Likourezos, MA, MPH; J. Choi, MD; *T. Chun, MD*; J. Yang, BA; W. Liu, BS

Board 10 — Violence and Public Health: To suture and to rupture *K. Dhaliwal, MPH*

2:30 PM 3330.0 Youth Violence Prevention Programs

Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm I

Moderator: P. Orpinas, PhD

Presentation 1 — Developing a comprehensive violence prevention program through community-based participatory research *S. S. Leff, PhD*; D. E. Thomas, PhD; N. Thomas, MBA; E. Woodburn, MEd; J. P. MacEvoy, PhD; A. Hausman, PhD, MPH

Presentation 2 — Living Healthy in Philadelphia: How Youth Deal with the Stress of Living in Violent Communities T. Richmond, PhD, CRNP, FAAN; A. Teitelman, PhD; *C. McDonald, BSN, MSN, CCRN*; T. Guerra, MS; N. Thomas, MBA; N. Kassam-Adams, PhD; T. Haegerich, PhD

Presentation 3 — Quality Improvement Assessment of a State-Funded Reporting and Intervention System for Youth Firearm Injury: Pennsylvania Injury Reporting and Intervention System (PIRIS) *C. Thornton*; R. Ketterlinus, PhD; D. Spears; R. Cheney, PhD; K. Fitzpatrick, RN, MSN, CRNP-BC; A. Goldberg, MD, FACS; J. Kelly, MD; M. Henry

Presentation 4 — A Critical Review of Hospital Based Violence Intervention Programs *S. Regan*; E. Quintana, PhD; C. M. Thorsen; G. Slutkin, MD

Presentation 5 — Health risks of urban youth experiencing victimization, aggression or both *C. Stayton, DrPH, MPH*; K. McVeigh; E. C. Olson, MPH; K. M. Perkins

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2008: 6:30-8:00 PM 324.4 ICEHS Social Hour

Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm I

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2008

INJURY CONTROL AND EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES

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8:30 AM 4039.0 Emergency and Disaster Preparedness: Examples in Six States

Manchester Grand Hyatt Randle Ballroom D

Moderator: D. Eisenman, MD

8:30 AM — Preparedness across borders: A multi-agency and jurisdictional training collaborative *D. Mockus, MPH*; J. Danfifer; K. Saruwatari, MPH; W. Betancourt, MPH

8:45 AM — Emergency Medical and Injury Surveillance during the 2007 San Diego County Wildfires *A. M. Smith, PhD, MPH*; B. M. Stepanski, MPH; H. Shipp, MPH; J. M. Cooke, MPH; L. U. Ray, PhD MPH MPPA MA

9:00 AM — Understanding public health workers' willingness-to-respond through application of the Extended Parallel Process Model *D. J. Barnett, MD, MPH*; R. Balicer, MD, MPH; S. B. Omer, MBBS, MPH, PhD; N. Semon, MEd; J. D. Storey, PhD; J. Links, PhD

9:15 AM — Use of sub-state regionalization to plan for public health emergencies in New Hampshire *C. A. Tolis, MPH*; O. A. Johnston, EMT-P

9:30 AM — Assessment of disaster training needs for physicians and other health professionals serving vulnerable populations in Hawai`i *N. A. Erondu, MPH (c)*; B. R. Mitsuda, MPH (c); M. R. I. Dela Cruz, MPH (c); A. Monlux, MPH (c); K. Braun, DrPH; N. S. Partika, RN, MPH

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2008: 10:30 AM

4098.0 Suicide and Unintentional Injury Manchester Grand Hyatt Randle Ballroom D

Moderator: K. A. Mack, PhD

10:30 AM — Epidemiology of Emergency Department Visits for Suicide Attempts in the South Pacific: New Zealand 1997-2006 *G. L. Larkin, MD, MSPH, FACEP*; A. L. Beutrais, PhD

10:45 AM — Mental health and firearms in community-based surveys: Implications for suicide prevention *S. B. Sorenson, PhD; K. A. Vittes, PhD, MPH*

11:00 AM — Bystanding as a risk factor for injury of children on Midwestern agricultural operations *Q. L. Williams, BSIE*; B. H. Alexander, PhD; S. G. Gerberich, PhD; A. D. Ryan, MS

11:15 AM — Dog bite injuries and fatalities in Texas and the United States *N. M. Crider, MS, RN, CNAA*

11:30 AM — Have injury prevention strategies, will travel: Assessing dissemination of the CARES mobile safety center *S. Frattaroli, PhD, MPH*; M. Glenshaw, PhD, MPH; E. McDonald, MS; W. C. Shields, MPH; A. C. Gielen, ScD, ScM

4099.0 Interesting Topics in Injury Research Manchester Grand Hyatt Randle Ballroom E

Moderator: K. Shoaf, DrPH

10:30 AM — Trends in death due to adverse effects of medical and surgical care in the elderly *J. C. Pressley, PhD, MPH*; B. Barlow, MD

10:45 AM — Medical Injury Case Finding *J. Taylor, PhD, MPH*

11:00 AM — A review of legislation restricting firearm use while intoxicated *B. G. Carr, MD, MA*; G. Porat, BS, MS; D. J. Wiebe, PhD; C. C. Branas, PhD

11:15 AM — Vacant properties: A modifiable target of intervention to reduce aggravated assault in urban cities? *J. N. Gracia, MD*; D. M. Rubin, MD, MSCE; W. Guo, PhD; C. C. Branas, PhD

11:30 AM — Injuries from Falls among Veterans with Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) *T. J. Songer, PhD, MSc*; S. G. Fitzgerald, PhD; A. Nelson, PhD

12:30 PM 4142.0 Dating and Youth Violence Posters SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Utilizing the creative arts and participatory research methods to explore the dynamics of community violence with urban youth *M. Yonas, DrPH*; J. Burke, PhD, MHS; A. C. Gielen, ScD, ScM

Board 2 — Healthy Teens—Can 6th grade characteristics predict dating and dating violence in 9th grade? *R. A. Simeon, BS*; P. Orpinas, PhD; K. A. Raczynski, BSEd; P. M. Reeves, PhD; D. L. Bandalos, PhD

Board 3 — An ethnocultural perspective from the Pacific on teen dating violence *S. Helm, PhD*

Board 4 — Methodological issues in school surveys of adolescent dating violence *M. Geiger*; L. L. Davidson, MD, MSc; N. Palmetto, MPH; D. A. Fry, MA, MPH; V. I. Rickert, PsyD

Board 5 — Evaluating Intentional Injury Resulting From Youth Violence in Nashville-Metro Tennessee *E. Brown, ABD; T. Foux, DrPH*; M. Kanu, MPH, PHD, MA; O. Johnson, DrPH

Board 6 — Community assets as protective factors for preventing youth violence *P. Juarez, PhD*; D. Padgett, PhD; V. Samaniego, MPH; B. Hill

Board 7 — Policies to address the emerging public health problem of electronic aggression *C. David-Ferdon, PhD*; M. Feldman Hertz, MS

4143.0 Posters on Elder Abuse and Aging SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Elder Abuse: An Emerging Public Health Problem **K. M. Quinn**

Board 2 — Patient safety risk factors in the home healthcare setting **R. R. M. Gershon, DrPH; A. N. Canton, BA; P. W. Stone, PhD, MPH; V. H. Raveis, PhD; S. Samar, BA; M. R. Damsky, MPH; M. F. Sherman, PhD**

Board 3 — Elder Abuse and Neglect as a Public Health Issue: Efforts to Increase Public Awareness and Prevention **S. Whittier, MSW**

Board 4 — Screening seniors for age related driving disorders **L. L. Hill, MD, MPH; K. Patrick, MD, MS; R. Coimbra, MD, PhD; J. Fontanesi, PhD; J. Rybar, MPH; S. Concha-Garcia**

Board 5 — Fire H.E.L.P. Tool Kit: The product of a partner-based approach to protecting homebound older adults **S. T. Diekman, PhD, MPH; M. Huitric, MPH**

Board 6 — Elder Abuse as An Emergent Public Health Problem: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Perspective, Prevention Efforts, and Key Partnerships **J. E. Hall, PhD, MSPH; A. E. Crosby, MD, MPH; D. L. Karch, PhD**

Board 7 — Application of multiple data sources for estimating prevalence of elder abuse **L. A. Post, PhD**

Board 8 — Impairment and abuse of older adults in long-term care in Michigan: Evidence from structural equation modeling **T. Conner, PhD; A. Prokhorov, PhD; C. Page, PhD; L. A. Post, PhD; Y. Fang, MS; Y. Xiao, PhD**

4144.0 ICEHS Posters: Recreational & Unintentional Injury and Suicide SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Pediatric traumatic amputations and hospital resource utilization in the US, 2003 **K. A. Conner, MPH; L. B. McKenzie, PhD, MA; H. Xiang, MD, MPH, PhD; G. Smith, MD, DrPH**

Board 2 — Childhood Injuries in Asia and the Middle East: Results of a Pilot Study **D. E. Sugerman, MD MPH; A. A. Hyder, MD, MPH, PhD; P. Puvanachandra, MD, MPH; H. Elsayed, MD; F. Rahman, MD; J. A. Razzak, MD PhD**

Board 3 — Bicycle-related injuries among children and adolescents in the United States **T. Mehan, MA; R. Gardner, BA; G. Smith, MD, DrPH; L. B. McKenzie, PhD, MA**

Board 4 — Impact of helmets on injuries to riders of all terrain vehicles **S. M. Bowman, PhD, MHA; M. E. Aitken, MD, MPH; C. J. Graham, MD; J. Helmkamp, PhD, MS, FACE**

Board 5 — Hospitalizations for sport-related concussions in US children aged 5 to 18 years during 2000-2004 **J. Yang, PhD, MPH; G. Phillips, MD, FAAP, CAQSM; H. Xiang, MD, MPH, PhD; V. Allareddy, DDS; E. O. Heiden, MPH; C. Peek-Asa, PhD, MPH**

Board 6 — Feasibility of subject recruitment and data collection for a study of supervision and child injury **P. Schnitzer, PhD; L. Bullock, PhD, RN, FAAN; B. Morrongiello, PhD**

Board 7 — Firearm Suicide in the Veteran Population: Findings from the National Violent Death Reporting System **M. S. Kaplan, DrPH; B. McFarland, MD; N. Huguet, PhD**

Board 8 — Five years of Emergency Medical Services in Shenandoah National Park **J. Baker, MD; M. P. McKay, MD, MPH**

Board 9 — Development of an interactive storytelling-based injury prevention learning program for young children **M. M. Lauderdale, MSE; A. Libin, PhD; S. Groah, MD, MSPH; M. Wand, BA; B. Triyono, BA; M. I. Spungen, BS; C. C. Myers, BS**

Board 10 — Teaching safety at summer camp: Evaluation of a water safety curriculum in an urban community setting **K. A. Lawson, PhD, MPH; K. M. K. Johnson, MS; P. Yuma-Guerrero, MPH, CHES; T. C. Wheeler; R. T. Maxson, MD, FACS**

4145.0 ICEHS Latebreaker Posters SDCC Halls ABC

Board 1 — Comparing seventh and tenth grade students' willingness to perform CPR after a CPR anytime™ program *J. E. Pointer, MD*; M. King; M. Jacobs

Board 2 — Ethnographic Observations of Families with Teen Drivers: Report on Family Interviews *A. L. Gold, BA*; F. K. Barg, PhD; K. R. Ginsburg, MD; F. K. Winston, MD, PhD

Board 3 — Hip Fracture Hospitalizations in the U.S. by Urban-Rural Status: Nationwide Inpatient Sample, 2004 *H. M. Tiesman, PhD*; J. Coben, MD; P. Furbee, MA; M. Carter, PhD

Board 4 — Parental Supervision and Unintentional Child Injury: A Pilot Study *P. Schnitzer, PhD*

Board 5 — Trail-making-test-B and driver screening in the emergency department *M. E. Betz, MD, MPH*; J. Fisher, MD, MPH

Board 6 — Access to pediatric emergency services in South Los Angeles: The effect of a county hospital closure *J. C. Mares, MD*; S. Wu, MD

Board 7 — Health Impacts of Displaced Populations: A Lesson from Hurricane Katrina *J. A. Curran, MS*; K. Shoaf, DrPH

Board 8 — Booster seat and seat belt effectiveness among children ages 4-8 *T. M. Rice, MPH, PhD*; C. L. Anderson, DHSc, PhD

Board 9 — Improving California's surveillance system for fatal child maltreatment *S. Wirtz, PhD*; S. Lob, MD, MPH; D. A. Rose, PhD; C. Brennan, MPH; P. Fox, PhD

Board 10 — Trends in fatal motorcycle crashes: California, 1988-2006 *C. L. Anderson, DHSc, PhD*; T. M. Rice, MPH, PhD

2:30 PM Tuesday

4282.0 Annual Exploration of Injury Data Issues Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm F

Moderator: L. Cook, MStat

Presenters: *J. Taylor, PhD, MPH*; L. Cook, MStat; L. Fingerhut, MA; J. L. Annest, PhD

2:30 PM Tuesday 4283.0 Dating and Intimate Partner Violence Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm E

Moderator: L. L. Davidson, MD, MSc

2:30 PM — A Realist Review: Screening & Identification Interventions for Victims of Intimate Partner Violence in Health Care Settings *P. O'Campo, PhD*; F. Ahmad, MBBS, MPH, PhD

2:45 PM — Patterns of relationships and dating violence among African-American and Latino adolescents *S. C. Woo, MPH*; D. Gorman-Smith, PhD; D. B. Henry, PhD; P. H. Tolan, PhD; M. Schoeny, PhD

3:00 PM — Cybercontrol in teen dating: An emerging area for public health *C. Baker, PhD*; *S. Helm, PhD*

3:15 PM — Changing Organizational Practices to Prevent Intimate Partner Violence *L. Cohen, MSW*; R. Davis, MSW; E. D. Waiters, PhD; N. Kravitz-Wirtz

3:30 PM — Dating violence in New York City high school males: Aggression, victimization, and reciprocal violence *S. Sedalia*; V. I. Rickert, PsyD; N. Palmetto, MPH; D. A. Fry, MA, MPH; D. Deomanpo; L. L. Davidson, MD, MSc

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2008: 4:30 PM

4361.0 Motor Vehicle-Related Injury Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm E

Moderator: M. Osur, MBA

4:30 PM — Effects of Graduated Driver Licensing in Upstate New York *M. Zhu, MD, MS*; G. Li, MD, DrPH

4:50 PM — Reducing Motor Vehicle Injuries in Rural Communities: A Social Determinants of Health Framework *M. Bengiamin, PhD*; J. A. Capitman, PhD; H. Berg, MA

5:10 PM — Childhood Body Mass Index and Injury from Motor Vehicle Crashes *K. Pollack, PhD, MPH*; D. Xie, PhD; K. B. Arbogast, PhD; D. R. Durbin, MD, MSCE

5:30 PM — Updated estimates of the effectiveness of child safety seats, 1996-2005 *T. M. Rice, MPH, PhD*; C. Anderson, DHSc, PhD

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2008: 4:30-5:45 PM

417.0 ICEHS Business Meeting Manchester Grand Hyatt Manchester Blrm H

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2008: ICEHS Awards Dinner Bali Hai Restaurant, 2230 Shelter Is.

6:00 PM for Water Taxi Pick-up at 5th Avenue Dock 6:30 PM Cocktails

Make reservations and pay Kathleen Ferguson Carlson (ferg0114@umn.edu). Mail payment to: Kathleen F. Carlson, VA Medical Center 152/2E, One Veterans Drive, Minneapolis, MN 55417.

Free Water Taxi passes and directions to pick up and drop off at the 5th Avenue Dock near the Convention Center are available at the ICEHS booth and at the Dock on the day of departure on a first come first serve basis.

Driving distance is 5.8 miles with parking availability at the restaurant. Driving directions are available at the booth.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2008

INJURY CONTROL AND EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES

This program is intended for registered participants only. No admission without APHA Conference registration badge. Annual Meeting Program at a Glance for sessions primarily sponsored by ICEHS section.

8:30 AM 5053.0 Emergency Care Research Manchester Grand Hyatt Randle Ballroom B

Moderator: P. Juarez, PhD

8:30 AM — Availability of Pediatric Equipment on Basic and Advanced Life Support Ambulances *M. Ely, MHRM*; T. Singh, MPH, NREMT-P; P. Schmuhl; A. Genovesi, MA; J. M. Dean, MD, MBA; L. Olson, PhD

8:50 AM — Characteristics of Frequent Emergency Department Users among Dual Eligibles Aged 65 and over in California's In-Home Supportive Services Program *T. Yan*

9:10 AM — Cardiovascular STEMI Receiving Center System in a Large Metropolitan County *B. M. Stepanski, MPH*; B. Haynes, MD; L. Gardina, RN, MSN; R. Pate, MPH, RN; D. Royer, RN; L. U. Ray, PhD MPH MPPA MA; H. Shipp, MPH; A. M. Smith, PhD, MPH

9:30 AM — Use of emergency department discharge data for the surveillance of injuries among older adults *H. Shipp, MPH*; L. U. Ray, PhD MPH MPPA MA; A. M. Smith, PhD, MPH; B. M. Stepanski, MPH; J. M. Cooke, MPH; K. Garrett, MPH; C. B. Sise, JD, RN, MSN

8:30 AM 5054.0 ICEHS Latebreaker Presentations Manchester Grand Hyatt Randle Ballroom A

Moderator: J. E. Hall, PhD, MSPH

8:30 AM — Non-fatal unintentional injuries in children aged <15 years, Nicaragua, 2004 M. D. L. Martínez, MD; J. Rocha, MPH; C. Clavel-Arcas, PhD; *K. A. Mack, PhD*

8:45 AM — Impact of adult restraint use on child injuries in motor vehicle crashes *C. S. Olsen, MS*; L. Cook, MStat, PhD; H. T. Keenan, MDCM, PhD; L. Olson, MA, PhD

9:00 AM — Suicide prevention in the emergency department *A. Guard, MLS*; D. Litts, DO

9:15 AM — Geography of penetrating trauma and alcohol outlets in Boston *R. Lipton, MPH, PhD*; H. Abrams, PhD

9:30 AM — WHO initiative on violence against children in low- and middle-income countries *S. B. Sorenson, PhD*; A. Butchart, PhD

12:30 PM 5167.0 Recreational Injury

Manchester Grand Hyatt Randle Ballroom B

Moderator: T. R. Miller, PhD

12:30 PM — Comprehensive record keeping system enables detailed injury patterns in high school sport: A 10 year study *A. E. Lincoln, ScD, MS*; J. L. Almquist, ATC; S. Caswell, PhD, VATL, ATC; R. Dunn

12:45 PM — Diving-related injuries in children treated in US emergency departments C. Day, BS; U. Stolz, PhD; T. Mehan, MA; G. Smith, MD, DrPH; *L. B. McKenzie, PhD, MA*

1:00 PM — A nationally representative study of severe injuries sustained by high school athletes in the US, 2005-07 school years C. L. Collins, MA; C. Darrow; *R. D. Comstock, PhD*

1:15 PM — Young athletes with disabilities: What are their risks for injury? *M. Ramirez, PhD*; J. Yang, PhD, MPH; L. B. Bourque, PhD; J. P. Javien, MPH; S. Kashani, MSc; M. A. Limbos, MD, MPH; C. Peek-Asa, PhD, MPH

1:30 PM — Golf cart-related injuries in the United States D. Watson, BS; T. Mehan, MA; G. Smith, MD, DrPH; *L. B. McKenzie, PhD, MA*

12:30 PM 5168.0 Violence is a Public Health Issue: Implications for Cities and the Field Manchester Grand Hyatt Randle Ballroom A

Organizer: L. Cohen, MSW **Moderator:** S. B. Sorenson, PhD

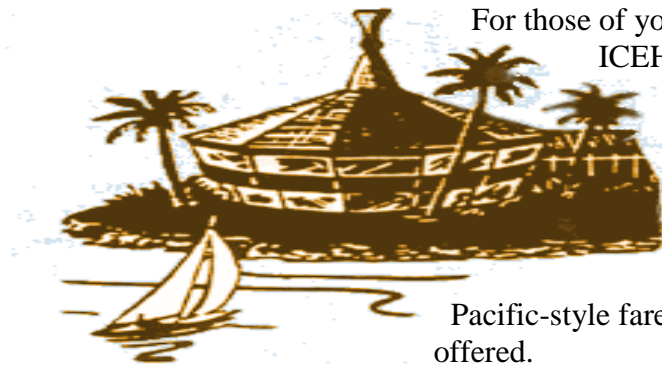
12:30 PM — UNITY: An Assessment of Youth Violence Prevention Activities in USA Cities *B. Weiss, MPH*

12:50 PM — Violence is a Public Health Issue *R. Hammond, PhD*

1:10 PM — UNITY: Preventing Violence within the Urban Context *D. Prothrow-Stith, MD*

1:30 PM — Neighborhood Level Interventions: City of San Diego *A. De Leon-Torres*

Reserve Your Tickets Now for the Annual ICEHS Awards Dinner



For those of you in San Diego during the APHA meeting, our annual ICEHS awards dinner on Tuesday, October 28th is not to be missed! Join us as we recognize colleagues for their outstanding contributions to our field. This year's celebration dinner will be held at a long-standing San Diego favorite, the Bali Hai restaurant. The Bali Hai is a Polynesian tiki temple, complete with bayside patio and spectacular views of San Diego bay and city skyline. South Pacific-style fare, including vegetarian options and a cash bar, will be offered.

Transportation between the restaurant and convention center will be available by water taxi. Land taxi and personal vehicles are additional options.

Please reserve and pay for your ICEHS awards dinner tickets in advance, as we will have to give a final head count prior to the meeting. Cost is similar to previous years at \$49 for ICEHS members and their spouses, and \$60 for non-ICEHS members and their guests. Student dinner fees are \$35 for ICEHS members and \$60 for non-members. (Students can join the student assembly and one additional APHA section, such as ICEHS, at no additional charge over the basic student APHA membership fee.) Again, members of other APHA sections can join an additional section, such as ICEHS, for a cost of \$30.

Please reserve your tickets with Kathleen Carlson, section Secretary. Payments and/or questions can be directed to the following address:

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Second Annual ICEHS Book Raffle in Development

We enjoyed so much excitement with our first book raffle during last year's meeting we thought we would make this an annual event! Similar to last year, books will be on display at the ICEHS booth in the exhibition center, and raffle tickets will be sold to raise funds for the section. Winning tickets will be drawn during the ICEHS Awards Dinner; however, participants need not be present to win!

Please help make this year's book raffle another success. If you are the author of a public health, injury, or emergency health services-related book, and would be willing to donate a copy to the section, please contact Kathleen Carlson, ICEHS Secretary, at ferg0114@umn.edu.

~Kathleen Carlson

The ICEHS Booth Needs YOU!

Thanks to those of you who have already volunteered to help staff the ICEHS booth at APHA! If you haven't already signed up, please email Nancy Nachreiner (nachr001@umn.edu) to reserve a time that fits your schedule. Prime timeslots are still available, and any time you can contribute will help! This is a great way to meet and greet fellow members, and to recruit new members.

Here are the details:

ICEHS members will staff Booth #2516 at the 2008 American Public Health Association conference.

Booth hours are: Sunday (10/26) from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday (10/27) from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.,

Tuesday (10/28) from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Wednesday (10/29) from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Members can sign up prior to the conference by e-mailing Nancy Nachreiner at nachr001@umn.edu, or by dropping by the ICEHS booth. This is a great opportunity to spread the excitement about our section!

[See the booth schedule below to select your sign-up date/time.](#)

~Nancy Nachreiner

Date	Time	ICEHS Booth Staff Name	ICEHS Booth Staff Name	Notes
Sat, Oct 25	8:00 am - 6 pm	Joyce Pressley, John Lundell		Booth set-up
Sun, Oct 26	8:00 am - Noon			Booth set-up
	2:00 pm-3:00 pm	Nancy Nachreiner		Exhibit hall opens 2:00 pm (or end of general session) through 5:30
	3:00 pm-5:30 pm			ICEHS Leadership Business Meeting (3:00-6:00 pm)
Mon, Oct 27	6:30 am - 8:00 am	Booth not open	Booth not open	ICEHS Breakfast (6:30-8:00 am)
	9:30 am- 11:00 am	Kim Freire		Exhibit hall open 9:30 am through 5:30 pm
	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Ginger Yang		Exhibits open
	1:00 pm- 3:00 pm	Brianna Kopp (after 1:30)		Exhibits open
	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Jenn Taylor		Exhibits open
	4:00 pm -5:30 pm	Jenn Taylor		ICEHS Social Hour 6:30-7:30 pm
Tues, Oct 28	9:30 am- 11:00 am	Keshia M. Pollack		Exhibit hall open 9:30 am through 5:30 pm
	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Kim Freire		Exhibits open
	1:00 pm- 3:00 pm			Exhibits open
	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm			Exhibits open
	4:00 pm -5:30 pm			ICEHS Business Meeting (4:30-6:00 pm)
Wed, Oct 29	8:20 am - 10:30 am			Exhibit hall open 8:30 am through 12:30 pm
	10:30 am- 12:30 pm			Meeting exhibit hall closes at 12:30 pm
	12:30 pm--midnight			Exhibit booth removal/labeling for shipping to Jenn Taylor

Instructions for booth sign-up: Select a time slot and e-mail your choice to Nancy Nachreiner at nachr001@umn.edu. This schedule will also be posted at the booth during exhibit set up and throughout the conference.

APHA Disability Section Chair's Forum

The American Public Health Association's APHA Disability Section Chairs' Forum, Key Federal Agency Roundtable, will take place at the APHA meeting in San Diego on October 26 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. in Meeting Room 5B. Participants will be able to ask questions of these dynamic leaders and learn more about their agencies' perspectives on disability and health.

The moderators will be: James H. Rimmer, Ph.D., Chair, APHA Disability Section, Professor, Department of Disability and Human Development, University of Illinois; David Gray, Ph.D., Program Chair, APHA Disability Section, Associate Professor of Neurology and Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy Program in Occupational Therapy, Washington University School of Medicine; George Jesien, Ph.D., Membership Chair, APHA Disability Section, Executive Director, Association of University Centers on Disabilities.

The participants include Edwin Trevathan, MD, MPH, Director of National Center for Birth Defects and Disabilities (NCBDD), CDC; Dr. Louis Quatrano, PhD, Director of the National Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research (NCMRR), Behavioral Sciences and Rehabilitation Technologies Program, NIH; Thomas Stripling, Director of Research and Education, Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA); and Margaret Campbell, Ph.D., Senior Research Scientist, NIDRR. US Dept. of Education.

Leadership from four key federal and private funding agencies, NCBDD, NCMRR PVA, and NIDRR will discuss plans and initiatives for their agencies and provide insight on ways that researchers, students and members can help develop a progressive public health and disability agenda. Speakers will respond to questions from the audience and dialogue about key issues facing the disability and health field.

Please feel free to email Jim Rimmer at jrimmer@uic.edu or Roberta Carlin at rcarlin@aahd.us with any questions about the Chair's Forum.

~Joyce Pressley

2008 Injury Prevention and Control Impact Award Recipients Announced

The NCIPC/CDC announces that Partners for Passenger Safety Program, Center for Injury Research and Prevention, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; Safe Kids Georgia; and Dr. Frederick P. Rivara, MD, MPH are recipients of the 2008 Injury Prevention and Control Health Impact Award.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Center for Injury Prevention and Control is honoring Partners for Passenger Safety Program (PCPS), Center for Injury Research and Prevention, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia for their work in preventing child injuries caused by motor vehicle crashes. The creation of the "gold standard" for data on child occupant protection research and surveillance within PCPS program has led to it becoming the largest child-focused motor vehicle crash surveillance system in the world.

CDC is honoring Safe Kids Georgia for their work in preventing unintentional injuries in children ages 0-14 within all areas of Georgia. Currently serving 22 local coalitions, Safe Kids Georgia has lowered the unintentional injury death rate through community partnerships, advocacy, public awareness, training and education.

Lastly, CDC is honoring Dr. Frederick P. Rivara, MD, MPH for his longstanding and exemplary leadership and contribution to the injury prevention community at Harborview Medical Center. Dr. Rivara was instrumental in initiating and proving the hypothesis that bicycle helmet use decreased significant head injuries by 75%, and used this information to build a community-based program for the original bicycle helmet campaign that has served as a model for similar programs throughout the United States and the world.

2008 marks the second year of the annual Injury Prevention and Control Health Impact Awards. CDC established these awards to:

- recognize efforts in achieving greater health impact in the field of injury prevention;
- promote best practices and success stories in the field of injury prevention and control; and,
- demonstrate CDC's commitment to achieving health impact.

Awards are given in three categories:

1. To an organization, external to CDC, that helps further the field of injury prevention through its communication, collaboration, and/or programmatic efforts at the national level;
2. To an organization, external to CDC, that helps further the field of injury prevention through its communication, collaboration, and/or programmatic efforts at the state or local level; and,
3. To an individual researcher or organization, external to CDC, demonstrating health impact.

Experts in injury prevention and control and public health reviewed the nominations. CDC will present the 2008 awards on Tuesday, October 28, 2008, in San Diego, California as part of the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association.

~Leslie Dorigo

Senate Panel Votes to Allow Loaded Guns in National Parks

(Reprinted from September 20, 2008 article in National Parks Examiner by Randi Minetor.)

Slipping in unnoticed under the roar of this month's financial crises and ongoing presidential election coverage, a Senate panel voted on September 11 to allow visitors to carry loaded guns into America's national parks.

What's the rationale for this? According to the bill's description, the purpose of this bill is "to protect innocent Americans from violent crime in national parks."

Have we missed the news of a rampant crime spree in our parks?

Not according to statistics provided by the National Park Service. Here are the facts:

In 2007, a total of 275.6 million people made recreational visits to the 391 national parks-and another 163.8 million visited for non-recreational purposes-but only six were victims of homicides. Three more sets of human remains were discovered in the parks, but the dates and nature of the deaths are not stated. That's nine violent deaths, out of 439.4 million people. Not a city in America can claim that kind of safety record.

Of the six homicides, one actually took place 30 years ago, but was discovered in 2007 and the killer confessed. In virtually all of the cases, it appears that the victim knew his or her killer personally. One victim was pushed off a cliff, while another drove himself and his girlfriend off a cliff in Glen Canyon. A gun was involved in only one of the crimes-a shooting over a drug debt.

Other violent crimes did take place in the parks: In 2007, the entire National Park System saw 49 attempted or committed rapes, 57 robberies involving a weapon, and two kidnappings. While there were nearly 3,000 cases of larceny or theft, these did not involve attacks on visitors.

In all instances except for rape, these figures are actually lower than the 2006 statistics.

If anything, crime has decreased in the national parks, and no one but the law enforcement rangers are carrying guns as protection.

So why, exactly, must we protect ourselves by carrying loaded weapons in some of the safest places in America?

Until now, most national parks have permitted guns to be carried through the parks, as long as they are safely stored in a car and are not loaded.

Essentially, the law on the books allows transportation of guns, but no use in the parks. Hunting is not permitted in any national park, although many national recreation areas and wildlife refuges do allow (or even encourage) hunting on their grounds.

More than 50 senators are in favor of this change in national park regulations, and the National Rifle Association has made it a major plank in its 2008 platform. Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne himself supports this regulatory change, with a caveat: The gun law should be decided based on each state's existing laws. In essence, if a state allows guns in its state parks, it should allow them in its national parks as well. If the state has a no-gun law in its parks, the national parks in that state also would not permit loaded guns.

The National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA) has taken a strong stand to prevent the passage of this bill (S.2619 and H.R. 5434) in both the House and the Senate. "These bills falsely claim that guns are not allowed in national parks," NPCA's website notes. "This is not the case. The National Park Service's policy does not allow loaded, concealed weapons in national parks. This is a reasonable policy."

Let's open the floor for discussion on this issue. Here are my questions:

1. Do you feel unsafe when you visit national parks-and if so, why?
2. Will you feel safer if you know that some visitors are carrying loaded guns (or if you carry one yourself)?

I'll look forward to your comments. (<http://www.examiner.com/x-682-National-Parks-Examiner~y2008m9d20-Senate-Panel-Votes-to-Allow-Loaded-Guns-in-National-Parks>)

~Sara Newman

New CDC Brief for Caregivers and Educators on Electronic Media and Youth Violence



New technology and youth seem destined for each other. They are both young, fast paced, and ever changing. Novel communication avenues, such as text messaging, chat rooms, and social networking Web sites, allow youth to easily develop new relationships. New technology has many social and educational benefits, but caregivers and educators are concerned about the dangers young people face by using these technologies. Specifically, some are using electronic media to embarrass, harass, or threaten their peers. Researchers at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) call this type of behavior electronic aggression.

Electronic aggression is an emerging public health issue. Research shows an increase of 50% between 2000 and 2005 in the number of young people who have reported being victims of electronic aggression. CDC's Division of Adolescent and School Health and Division of Violence Prevention, along with the Adolescent Health Goal Team, have developed "Electronic Media and Youth Violence: A CDC Issue Brief for Educators and Caregivers." The brief summarizes knowledge about this issue and provides suggestions for educators and caregivers on how to safeguard children from becoming victims of electronic aggression.

Highlights from the research indicate that:

- 9% to 35% of young people say they have been the victim of electronic aggression.
- A 50% increase in electronic aggression occurred between the years 2000 and 2005.
- Electronic aggression victims are significantly more likely to use drugs and alcohol, receive school detentions or suspension, skip school, experience in-person aggression, have emotional distress, and have relationship problems with their parents.
- Victimization occurs through all forms of technology: 25% in a chat room, 23% on a website, 67% with instant messaging, 25% through an e-mail, 16% with a text message.

The brief also outlines steps educators, educational policy makers, and caregivers can take to address the issue of electronic aggression. Prevention suggestions include developing school policies on electronic aggression, establishing youth violence programs and educator training, creating a positive school atmosphere for students, and improving parent-child communication and parental monitoring of technology use. To further support parents, a companion parent tip sheet was also developed by CDC.

These resources are available online at the following link: [Electronic Media and Youth Violence: A CDC Issue Brief for Educators and Caregivers](#). The parent tip sheet can be accessed at the following link: [Technology and Youth: Protecting Your Child from Electronic Aggression](#). For more information about electronic aggression, please visit http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/dvp/electronic_aggression.htm.

National Center for Injury Prevention and Control

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS



JOHNS HOPKINS BLOOMBERG SCHOOL *of* PUBLIC HEALTH
**CENTER FOR INJURY
RESEARCH & POLICY**
Making Discoveries That Make A Difference

The Center for Injury Research and Policy at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (www.jhsph.edu/injurycenter) is committed to training the next generation of leaders in the field of injury control and prevention.

Scholarship, training grant, and fellowship opportunities include:

- ❖ **Occupational Injury Epidemiology and Prevention Doctoral Program**
 - Focusing on injury prevention and control, the curriculum provides courses in injury epidemiology, occupational safety, quantitative and qualitative methods, prevention policy, and behavioral and social sciences
 - Full tuition and stipend are provided for eligible doctoral students
 - Funded by NIOSH

- ❖ **The William Haddon Jr. Fellowship in Injury Prevention**
 - An endowment designed to stimulate academic excellence in injury prevention
 - Provides tuition support for one doctoral student each year in the Department of Health Policy and Management

- ❖ **The Nancy A. Robertson Scholarship in Injury Prevention**
 - An endowment for students specializing in injury prevention
 - Provides partial support to one doctoral or postdoctoral student in the Department of Health Policy and Management

- ❖ **Interdisciplinary Fellowships in Violence Research**
 - The goal is to train individuals to study the causes and prevention of violence and its physical and mental health effects
 - Offered through the Schools of Public Health, Medicine and Nursing

Interested applicants are encouraged to visit <http://www.jhsph.edu/injurycenter/training/fellowships> for more information, including details on how to apply and contact information.

The Johns Hopkins Center for Injury Research & Policy (www.jhsph.edu/InjuryCenter), founded in 1987, is dedicated to closing the gap between injury research and practice to reduce and prevent the fires, poisonings, drownings, car crashes, domestic violence and other causes of injury that kill, disable and inflict pain in alarming numbers.

Head, Department of Community and Behavioral Health The University of Iowa, College of Public Health



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The University of Iowa College of Public Health seeks a dedicated and experienced leader for the Head of the Department of Community and Behavioral Health. The Department Head serves as the departmental executive officer and reports directly to the Dean of the College. The successful candidate will facilitate the growing national reputation of the Department in research, service, and teaching, and will work closely with other academic units and state and community partners to foster interdisciplinary collaboration. It is presumed that the new Head will be appointed at the level of Professor with Tenure.

The College of Public Health, established in 1999, has grown to include 82 full-time faculty positions and over 425 graduate students. The annual revenues in FY07 were more than \$60 million, of which \$45 million was from external research funding. The College of Public Health has five departments; Community and Behavioral Health, Epidemiology, Biostatistics, Health Management and Policy, and Occupational and Environmental Health. Dr. Susan Curry, an internationally recognized public health researcher and inspiring academic leader, joined the College as Dean in August, 2008. The College has a very successful fundraising campaign underway and will complete a new, state-of-the-art college building in fall, 2010. The College offers a collaborative, high-energy culture, and engages with many academic, government, and community partners.

The Department of Community and Behavioral Health was the only new Department created with the establishment of the new College of Public Health in 1999. As the newest Department, CBH has 11 primary faculty, 52 students, and \$4.2 million in research funding. The Department excels in research and teaching in the areas of smoking cessation and prevention, alcohol/drug abuse and dependence, health communication, mental health, community development and empowerment, injury prevention, obesity, public health program evaluations, and youth risk behaviors. The Department excels in developing, evaluating, and disseminating evidence-based practices including community-level interventions. In addition to our degrees in community and behavioral health (MPH, MS, and PhD), CBH offers graduate degree subtracks in health communication, maternal, child, and family health, nutrition and exercise, addiction studies, and occupational injury prevention research. The department currently houses four research centers: the CDC funded Prevention Research Center, the SAMHSA funded Prairieland Addiction Technology Transfer Center, the Iowa Tobacco Research Center, and the Center for Health Communication and Social Marketing.

Candidates for head of the Department of Community and Behavioral Health must have a PhD, DrPH, or an MD (with an MPH preferred), and at least 5 years of academic experience in a community health and/or behavioral/social science discipline relevant to public health. A record of research productivity, including extramural funding, and teaching experience are required. The candidate must demonstrate leadership and administrative ability, evidence of collaborative efforts in teaching and/or research, and a record of community service. The candidate must also demonstrate knowledge of effective strategies for working with diverse faculty, staff, and students, and a commitment to promoting a diverse environment.

The University of Iowa is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action employer. Women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. Interested candidates should apply electronically for Requisition # 55921 at <http://jobs.uiowa.edu/faculty>. Inquiries regarding the position can be made to Dr. Corinne Peek-Asa, Chair of the Search Committee, by phone: 319-335-4894 or email: Corinne-peek-asa@uiowa.edu. The search committee will continue to screen applicants until the position is filled. Nominations and applications should include a letter outlining interest and relevant experience, a curriculum vitae, and three references (to be contacted only with permission).