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Associates' Publications, 2011-2012

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- Barabas, Jason**. 2011. "Social Security Knowledge," in *Consumer Knowledge and Financial Decisions*, ed. Douglas Lambdin. New York: Springer, pp. 217-38.
- Barabas, Jason**, and Jennifer Jerit. 2010. "Are Survey Experiments Externally Valid?" *American Political Science Review* 104 (May): 226-42.
- McWilliams, Summer and **Anne E. Barrett**. "Online Dating in Middle and Later Life: Gendered Expectations and Experiences," *Journal of Family Issues*, forthcoming.
- Barrett, Anne E.**, Rebecca Redmond, and Carmen von Rohr, "Avoiding Aging? Social Psychological Journals' Treatment of Aging Issues," *American Sociologist*, forthcoming.
- Toothman, Erica and **Anne E. Barrett**. 2011. "Mapping Midlife: An Examination of Social Factors Shaping Conceptions of the Timing of Middle Age," *Advances in Life Course Research* 16:99-111.
- Lewis, Robyn K. and **Anne E. Barrett**. 2011. "Visual Impairment and Quality of Life among Older Adults: An Examination of Explanations for the Relationship." *Journal of Gerontology: Social Science* 66B:364-373.
- Charness, Neil**. (in press, 2012). Patterns of theorizing about chess skill – Commentary on Linhares and Freitas (2010) and Lane And Gobet (2010). *New Ideas in Psychology*.
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- Pederson, Joellen and **Jill Quadagno**. 2011. "The Three Pillar Approach to Pension Reform: Pathways to Welfare State Restructuring." In *Global Dynamics of Aging*, edited by Sheying Chen and Jason Powell, Nova Science Publishers.
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- Reynolds, John. R** and Monika Kirkpatrick Johnson. 2011. "Change in the Stratification of Educational Expectations and Their Realization." *Social Forces* 90: 85-110.
- Maney, Gregory, Rachel Kutz-Flamenbaum, **Deana Rohlinger** and Jeff Goodwin. 2012. *Strategies for Social Change*. University of Minnesota Press.
- Maney, Gregory, Rachel Kutz-Flamenbaum, **Deana Rohlinger** and Jeff Goodwin. "Introduction: Strategy in Action."
- Earl, Jennifer and **Deana Rohlinger**. 2012 (June), Volume 33. A special issue of *Research in Social Movements, Conflicts & Change* on social movements and mass media.
- **Rohlinger, Deana** and Jennifer Earl. "Introduction: Media, Movements, and Political Change."
- Rohlinger, Deana**, Leslie Bunnage and Jesse Klein. Forthcoming. "Virtual Power Plays: Social Movements, ICT, and Party Politics" in *The Internet and Democracy: Voters, Candidates, Parties and Social Movements*, edited by Bernard Groffman, Alex Trechsel, Mark Franklin. New York: Springer.
- Rohlinger, Deana** and Jesse Klein. Forthcoming. "From Fervor to Fear: ICT and Emotions in the Tea Party Movement" in *Understanding The Tea Party* edited by David S. Meyer and Nella Van Dyke. University of Minnesota Press.
- Rohlinger, Deana A.**, Ben Kail, **Miles Taylor**, and Sarrah Conn. 2012. "Outside the Mainstream: Media Coverage of the U.S. Abortion Debate, 1980-2000." *Research on Social Movements, Conflict & Change*.
- Meyer, David S. and **Deana A. Rohlinger**. 2012. "Big Books and Social Movements: A Myth of Ideas and Social Change." *Social Problems*, 59(1): 136-153.
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- Rohlinger, Deana A.** and Christian Vaccaro. 2012. "Media and Social Movements." *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Social and Political Movements*, edited by D. Snow, D. della Porta, B. Klandermans and D. McAdam. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers. In Press.

Rohlinger, Deana A. and Miriam Sessions. 2012. "Pro-Life and Pro-Choice Movements." *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Social and Political Movements*, edited by D. Snow, D. della Porta, B. Klandermans and D. McAdam. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers. In Press.

Snow, David and **Deana Rohlinger**. 2012. "Convergence Theory." *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Social and Political Movements*, edited by D. Snow, D. della Porta, B. Klandermans and D. McAdam. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers. In Press.

Rohlinger, Deana. 2012. Review of Sarah Sobieraj, "Soundbitten: The Perils of Media-Centered Political Activism." *Contemporary Sociology*. In Press.

Rohlinger, Deana A. December 2011. "Point and Click Change? Understanding Social Movements in the Digital Era." Contribution to the inaugural *Mobilizing Ideas* blog sponsored by the Center for the Study of Social Movements at the University of Notre Dame.

Quesnel-Vallée, Amélie and **Miles G. Taylor**. Forthcoming. "Socioeconomic Pathways to Depressive Symptoms in Adulthood: Evidence from the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1979." *Social Science and Medicine*

Taylor, Miles G., Glen H. Elder Jr., Peter Uhlenberg, and Steven McDonald. Forthcoming. "Revisiting the Grandparenting Role: Grandparents as Mentors in Adolescence and Young Adulthood" *From Generation to Generation: Continuity and Discontinuity in Aging Families* (Johns Hopkins Press).

Taylor, Miles G. and Scott M. Lynch. 2011. "Cohort Differences and Chronic Disease Profiles of Differential Disability Trajectories" *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences*. 66B(6): 729-738

Contract and Grants, 2011-2012

Florida Department of Transportation, Safety Office: "Comprehensive Older Driver Safety Program, Continuation." \$300,000 (direct costs). Principal Investigator, 10-1-11 to 9-30-12.

Florida Department of Transportation, Safety Office: "Comprehensive Older Driver Safety Program." \$175,000 (direct costs). Principal Investigator, 11-1-10 to 9-30-11.

Bernard Osher Foundation: "Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Florida State University." \$50,000 bridge grant and \$1 million endowment. Awarded December 2011.

Jason Barabas:

National Science Foundation Grant, "Sustainable Water Adaptation Network: An Observatory-based Study of Adaptive Responses to Crises and Climate Change," with Jennifer Jerit, John Scholz, and many others around the country (\$5,000,000+), applied in 2011.

European Social Research Council Grant, with Jennifer Jerit, Dan Stevens, Susan Banducci. "Cross-national Political Communication: Estimating Media Effects on Political Knowledge and Engagement," \$89,420, applied in 2012.

Neil Charness:

BDK83-977-09 Intersection and Pedestrian Safety Research. PI, Florida Department of Transportation, Contract, 2009-2011; \$215,000 total costs.

Project CREATE III (Center for Research and Education on Aging and Technology Enhancement), co-PI, National Institutes of Health/National Institute on Aging, P01, 2009-2014, ~1,400,000 total costs.

BDK83-977-12, Aging Driver and Pedestrian Safety: Parking Lot Hazards study. co-PI, Florida Department of Transportation, Contract, 2011-2012; \$130,000 total costs.

BDK83-977-15 Aging Driver and Pedestrian Safety: Bicyclist and Pedestrian Safety co-PI, Florida Department of Transportation, Contract, 2011-2012; \$207,542 total costs.

Miles Taylor:

Principal Investigator. Claude Pepper Center Pilot Project. "Appraising the 'Gold Standard': The Utility of Medicare and Self-Reports of Disease Diagnosis" 2012 (\$29,175)

Co-PI. Equipment and Infrastructure Enhancement Grant. Florida State University. "Medicare Limited Data Set: Claims Data for Health Services and Health Policy Research" 2011 (\$36,610)

Principal Investigator. NIH Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00) (K99AG030471), NIA Demography of Aging and Population Studies. "Inequality and Disability among Older Adults: Paths to Differential Trajectories" 2007-2012 (\$826,597 Total Costs)

2. Facilities/Building

Computer lab – The recently updated computer lab continues to provide an important resource that is used every semester. This year it hosted two experiments run by Profs. Barabas and Jerit, several OLLI courses (e.g., GIS and genealogy classes), and two graduate methods courses.

Desktop replacement plan – We've begun to implement the recommended 5-year desktop replacement plan this year by ordering 5 PCs this month, with a plan to do this every year.

Office space utilization – Among the offices over which the Pepper Institute has control, none are empty.

Display board – After many false starts over the past few years, we have finally replaced the large display board that was downstairs (was falling apart) with a smaller, movable sign made by Fast Signs. I plan to order 10-20 photos capture different institute activities and will attach these to the sign along with the two large frames currently on the sign that showcase upcoming events.

Staff, Student, and Faculty arts and crafts display case – An unused display case in Room 214 was turned into a display case featuring the works of various Institute residents, including an afghan by Patrick McGrady, oil painting by Jill Quadagno, nature digital photography by Gayla Kittendorf, and ceramics by John Reynolds.

AED – At the request of several OLLI members, the Institute paid for an Automatic External Defibrillator from Cardiac Science and had it installed outside the doors of Broad Auditorium. Three Institute residents obtained CPR/AED training (Prof. Reynolds and Barrett, and graduate student Tara Stamm).

Safe Mobility for Life Resource Center – As part of the grant with the FDOT, the Pepper Institute has devoted space in room 270 to store promotional items and informational brochures for the Safe Mobility for Life Coalition. These items can be requested by anyone in the state, and they are then mailed out by the Program Coordinator (a position funded by the FDOT grant) using grant funds.

3. *Public face*

Associates' Invited Lectures and Presentations:

Jason Barabas and colleague Jennifer Jerit delivered the keynote address, “The Information Environment, Citizens, and Democracy” at the Georgia State University Graduate Research Conference in Winter 2011. Jason Barabas and colleagues also presented "Informed Consent: How the Public Learns about Congressional Votes on Health Care and Supports Incumbents Who Represent Constituent Preferences," at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Health and Society Scholars Seminar Series in March 2012.

Anne Barrett participated in the Planning Consortium on “Awareness of Age-related Change and Subjective Aging: Theory and Assessment,” in Heidelberg, Germany in July 2011. This event was sponsored by TransCoop Programme of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.

In the 2011 Fall semester, we held a brownbag series at which Miles Taylor, Neil Charness, Jill Quadagno, and Jason Barabas presented.

Pepper Distinguished Speakers:

The Pepper Institute hosted Professor Theda Skocpol, Harvard, on November 2, 2011. She presented research from her new book with the same title, “The Tea Party and the Remaking of Republican Conservatism.” Professor Judith Kasper from Johns Hopkins University discussed “The National Health & Aging Trends Study: A New Resource for Studying Disability and Independence in Older People” on March 19, 2012 in the Pepper Institute.

We also co-hosted two Sociology Colloquium speakers who study social policy. Professor Holly McCammon from Vanderbilt, presented “The U.S. Women’s Jury Movements and Strategic Adaptation: A More Just Verdict” on March 30, 2012. Professor Jeff Manza from

NYU gave a presentation entitled, “Who is Us? Counterterrorism Policy and the Dark Side of American Public Opinion” on April 13, 2012.

Awards and Appointments:

Jason Barabas received a Florida State University Undergraduate Teaching Award for 2011-2012. Jill Quadagno was elected into the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

Associates reviewed four applications for the Claude and Mildred Pepper Dissertation Fellowship and awarded it to Max Mendieta in Public Administration, whose dissertation examines hospice care in Florida. The Pepper Center was not able to fund this fellowship as it has in the past, so the Pepper Institute used the Beverly Fund to cover the expense.

4. Outreach

OLLI at FSU: In the past year, OLLI increased its membership to more than 700 members, which qualified it for the \$1 million endowment from the Bernard Osher Foundation. Cory Livingston resigned as Director in September 2011 and a new director, Debra Herman, was selected and put in place by November. The position description and terms of employment also were substantially revised to reflect current and future needs of the organization.

The fall and spring semesters for OLLI classes were the largest to date in terms of enrollment and numbers of classes offered. As of spring 2012, OLLI began using a 3rd party vendor, CampusCE, to manage payments and course registration. The main focus of OLLI’s leadership is to now manage the growth and maintain quality, though with an eye toward growing to 1,000 members and qualifying for a second endowment from Osher.