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### Areas of Interest

Primary: Gender, Environmental Sociology

Secondary: Social Problems, Community, Social Stratification and Inequality

### Education

Ph.D., Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1998

Advisor: Dr. John Lie

Dissertation: *Women's Activism in the Toxic Waste Movement: The Dialectics of Gender and Activism*

M.A., Department of Sociology, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, 1994

Advisor: Dr. Joel Best

Master's Thesis: *Black Women as Inspirational Leaders in the Civil Rights Movement: A Case Study*

B.S.E., University of Wisconsin at Whitewater, 1990

Major: Education; Areas: Sociology and History

### Scholarly Publications

- Herda-Rapp, Ann and Theresa Goedeke, eds. 2005. *Mad About Wildlife: Looking at Social Conflict Over Wildlife*, Brill Academic Publishers, part of Human-Animal Studies series (edited by Kenneth Shapiro). Includes chapter, "Contested Meanings: The Social Construction of the Mourning Dove in Wisconsin," co-authored with a former student.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. 2003. "The Social Construction of Threat: The Reconstruction of School Shootings in the News Media and Professional Organizations." *Sociological Inquiry*, 73(4):545-574.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. 2000. "Gender Identity Expansion and Negotiation in the Toxic Waste Movement." *The Sociological Quarterly*. 41(3):431-442.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. 2000. "The Impact of Social Activism on Gender Identity and Care Work: Women's Activism in the Toxic Waste Movement." In *Care Work: Gender, Labor and Welfare States*, edited by Madonna Harrington Meyer (Routledge Press).
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. 2000. Review of *Citizen Politics in Post-Industrial Societies*, edited by Terry Nichols Clark and Michael Rempel (Westview Press, 1998). *Sociological Imagination*, 37 (2/3):185-188.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. 1998. "The Power of Informal Leadership." *Sociological Focus*. 31(4):341-355.

### Professional and Civic Presentations (selected list)

- Herda-Rapp, Ann and Jim McCluskey. The Landscape of Poverty in Wisconsin. Annual meetings of the Wisconsin Sociological Association, held jointly with the Illinois Sociological Association, Rockford IL. October 2008.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. *Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW): Gender, Outdoor Activity and Identity Work among Participants in the B.O.W. Program*. Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, Illinois. April 2007.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. Panelist: *Teaching Social Problems from a Social Constructionist Perspective*. Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, Minnesota. April 2005.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. *Mad About Wildlife: The Contested Meanings of the Mourning Dove in Wisconsin*. Presentation of research to the Distinguished Faculty Society, Wausau, WI. November 2003.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. *A Review of the Sociological Literature on Gambling's Social Impacts*. Presentation to group of approximately 200 members of community prior to Wausau's referendum on casino gambling. October 2002.
- Session organizer, "Wildlife and Society." Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. April 2002.

- Herda-Rapp, Ann. *The Social Construction of Local School Violence Threats in the Context of News Media and Professional Media Coverage of School Shootings*. Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, St. Louis, Missouri. April 2001.
- Panelist, response to keynote address of Wisconsin Sociological Association president Al Gedicks' keynote address. Gedicks and the panel addressed the question, "Will the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Be Green?". Annual meetings of the Wisconsin Sociological Association, UW-River Falls. October 2000.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. *The Social Construction of Threat: Media(ted) Violence*. Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, Illinois. April 2000.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. *Sex, Gender and Leadership in Social Movement Organizations: Leadership Opportunities for Women in the Toxic Waste Movement*. Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, Minnesota. April 1999.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. *The Personal Impact of Activism: Gender Identity Expansion as a Consequence of Toxic Waste Activism*. Annual meetings of the Wisconsin Sociological Association, Waukesha, WI. Fall 1998.
- Herda-Rapp, Ann. *The Personal Consequences of Working Class Women's Activism*. Annual meetings of the Southwest Labor Studies Association, San Antonio, TX. April 1998.
- Session organizer & discussant: "Women's Activism in Social Movements." Annual meetings of the Illinois Sociological Association, held jointly with Wisconsin Sociological Association, Rockford, IL. Fall 1997.
- Herda, Ann. *Carving a Niche: Black Women Leaders in the Civil Rights Movement*. Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago. 1995.
- Herda, Ann. *African-American Women as Inspirational Leaders in the Cairo, Illinois Civil Rights Movement*. Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, St. Louis. 1994.
- Herda, Ann. Participant in panel discussion of oral histories and the Cairo civil rights movement. Annual meetings of the Midwest Sociological Society, St. Louis. 1994.
- Herda, Ann. *The Impact of the Hill-Thomas Hearings: One Year Later*. Southeast Missouri State, Sociology/Anthropology Conference, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. 1993.

\* author of a handful of invited pieces for the *Wausau Daily Herald's* opinion page.

### **Grants and Awards Received**

- Faculty Fellowship, Wisconsin Institute for Public Policy and Service, 2008-2009. Support for the "North Central Wisconsin Poverty Project."
- UWMC Foundation Summer Research Grant, summer 2008. \$2,000 for costs of transcribing interviews from "'Becoming an Outdoors-Woman': An Exploration of Gender, Identity and Connecting with Nature" project.
- UW Colleges Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, faculty nominee, 2008.
- Sabbatical award (spring 2005). For project, "'Becoming an Outdoors-Woman': An Exploration of Gender, Identity and Connecting with Nature." Travel grants since have allowed for continued data collection from Wisconsin, South Carolina, Florida and South Dakota.
- UWMC Foundation's Distinguished Faculty Society Fellowship. One course release for spring 2004 for work on *Mad About Wildlife*.
- UWMC Foundation Summer Research Grant, summer 2002. Support for work on book, *Human Conflict Over Wildlife Issues: A Social Constructionist Approach* (book titled, *Mad About Wildlife*).
- UW-Madison - UW Colleges Summer Research Grant, summer 2001. Funding (approximately \$9000) for research project ("The Social Construction of Hunting: Shifts in Rural and Urban Residents' Perceptions of Hunting").
- UWMC Foundation Summer Research Grant, summer 2001. Funding (\$2000) to support research project ("The Social Construction of Hunting: Shifts in Rural and Urban Residents' Perceptions of Hunting").
- UW Colleges Department of Anthropology and Sociology Summer Research Grant, summer 2001. Funding (\$250) to employ a research assistant on research project ("The Social Construction of Hunting: Shifts in Rural and Urban Residents' Perceptions of Hunting").
- Course development grant, 2000. Funded development of one credit interdisciplinary studies course ("Environmental Issues seminar") with Mark Brown (Philosophy) (\$2000 total).
- UW-Madison - UW Colleges Summer Research Grant, summer 1999. Funding (approximately \$8000) for research project ("The Social Construction of Threat: Media(ted) Violence").

- Course development grant, 1999. Funding (\$2000) for development of “Environmental Sociology” course. Because I received funding for the UW-Madison/UW Colleges Summer Research Program, however, I could not accept this grant.
- Fellowship, Human Dimensions of Environmental Systems. University of Illinois. 1997-98.

### **Teaching Experience**

- Assistant Professor (1998-2003); Associate Professor (2003-), Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin – Marathon. Courses -- *Environmental Sociology* (fall 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2007; taught for UW-Stevens Point’s Collaborative Degree Program as well); *Introduction to Sociology* (fall 1998-present), *Contemporary Social Problems* (fall 1998-spring 2006), *American Minority Groups* (spring 1999 & 2000); sophomore experience course in Sociology (fall 2001-fall 2006), *The American Community* (fall 2005 & 2007); *Social Inequality* (fall 2006 & 2008); *Global Social Problems* (spring 2006, 2007, 2008).
- Adjunct Instructor, Lewis University, Romeoville, IL (1996-1998); Concordia University, Forest Park, IL (1996-1997); University of Illinois, Urbana, IL (1996). Courses on sociology of family, gender, social problems and education.

### **University Service**

- UW-System Academic and Career Advising Task Force – UW Colleges’ representative (2003-2004 term).
- UW Colleges Academic and Career Advising Task Force – member of eight-person task force (2003 – 2004).
- UW – Marathon, Dean’s search committee (1999).
- UW-Marathon campus and departmental committees – Steering chair (2005-2007); Steering (1999-2001, 2005); ad hoc Advising Initiative Committee (1999-2000); Promotion and Tenure (2006-2008, chair 2007-2008); Evaluations (1999, 2005-2007, co-chair 2006-2007); ad hoc committee on greening the campus (2007); Appointments (2002-2003; chair 2003); Shared Reading (2005-2007); Scholarships & Awards (1999-2003; chair 2001-2003); Learning Communities (1999-2000); Sexual Harassment (2003-2005); HomeGround Summer Learning Community, Planning Committee (2001-2004); advisor to Assoc. of Non-Traditional Students (2000-2003), Phi Theta Kappa (2003), Community Building Club (2006-present); organized trips to Louisiana to rebuild post-Katrina (2006, 2007, 2008); department’s curriculum committee (1998-2004, 2007-2008; chair 2003); department’s merit committee (2007); department’s executive committee (2003-2006, 2008-).
- Wisconsin Institute for Public Policy and Service (WiPPS) – Program Planning Committee (2007-2008); Current Program Theme Sub-Committee (2007-2008); Future Program Theme Sub-Committee (2007-2008, chair), ad hoc shared reading programming sub-committee (2007-2008). Wealth and Poverty Conference Planning Committee (2008-2009).

### **Discipline Service**

- Peer reviewer for *Social Problems*, *Sociological Inquiry*, *Sociological Spectrum*, *Symbolic Interaction*, and *Society and Animals*.
- Wisconsin Sociological Association, student paper competition committee (since 1999; chair 2000-present).