Marianne Ferber, a collaborator, mentor, and friend to so many, passed away in May 2013. She was born in the former Czechoslovakia in 1923, and in 1938 she and her family fled to Canada to escape the Nazis. After graduating from McMaster University, she went on to the economics PhD program at University of Chicago, where she met her beloved husband, Bob Ferber. Marianne and Bob spent their academic careers at the University of Illinois (Bob, until his untimely death in 1981). At first unable to find employment at all, from 1956–1971, Marianne was relegated to the position of lecturer. In 1971, she became an assistant professor. She was promoted to full professor in 1979. She began a prolific research career at an age when many others were slowing down and remained an active researcher until nearly the end of her life.

Marianne had a long relationship with CSWEP, including serving on the Board from 1978 to 1980. In 2001, she (and co-recipient FrancineBlau) received CSWEP’s Carolyn Shaw Bell Award in recognition of a lifelong commitment to improving the status of women through research and mentoring. Among her many other professional recognitions, she received the Distinguished Alumna Award from McMaster University in 1996 and served as president of the International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE) and the Midwest Economics Association.

Marianne was a leading scholar in the economics of gender. One hallmark of her research was its sheer breadth, from a study on workers’ preferences for male bosses to the rise of the non-standard workforce. Some of her research was on topics very close to her heart, such as work on academic couples and women’s status in the Czech Republic. In the early 1980s, Marianne and Francine Blau collaborated on The Economics of Women, Men, and Work, the first-ever textbook on this topic. Anne Winkler joined with the 3rd edition, and the book is now in its 7th edition. Marianne was clear to say that she was not a neoclassical economist, and her research reflects this. With Bonnie Birnbaum, she offered a critique of Becker’s model of the household in their 1977 paper, “The New Home Economics: Retrospects and Prospects.” With Julie Nelson, she co-edited two seminal volumes on feminist economics, both published by University of Chicago Press: Beyond Economic Man: Feminist Theory and Economics (1993) and Feminist Economics Today: Beyond Economic Man (2003). Indeed, she was one of the founders of IAFFE.

Marianne Ferber was a very special person. Her career was marked by many fruitful collaborations, and it was our privilege to work with her and share ideas. An added bonus was that, although not a native speaker, she wrote beautifully and eloquently in English. She had strong views and didn’t hesitate to express them forcefully. However, while people savored her wit and intelligence, her views were never expressed at the expense of others. Her positive outlook and enormous persistence in the face of obstacles were an inspiration to all who knew her. She also never failed to offer sage advice, such as, “[Young women] need to think very carefully whether they are willing to give up doing the work they are really interested in, speaking up when they feel strongly about a subject and, in general, feeling free to be themselves, in order to enhance their chances of achieving greater status and more recognition in the profession.”

Related CSWEP Articles


CSWEP Celebrates (continued from page 1)

Nancy Rose introduced Anna Mikusheva, the Castle-Krob Associate Professor of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). She noted that the Bennett Committee found that Mikusheva’s research combined a powerful command of econometric theory with a keen interest in developing tools that will be useful for tackling problems in applied econometric practice—significantly advancing econometric inference in time series and dynamic stochastic general equilibrium models. Rose also noted Mikusheva’s awards for outstanding teaching. A sizable contingent of the MIT economics department was present to show their appreciation of Mikusheva’s work. The winner gave a brief, intuitive overview of some of her research on *Econometric Inference in Non-Standard Models*; see her slides at http://economics.mit.edu/faculty/amikushe/papers.

Linda Goldberg introduced Professor Rachel McCulloch, the Rosen Family Professor Emerita of International Finance in the Department of Economics and International Business School at Brandeis University. Speaking for the Bell Committee, Goldberg noted the many testimonials from mentees and colleagues that demonstrated how, over a 40-year career as a leader in international trade and economic policy, McCulloch folded mentoring into all aspects of her leadership in scholarship, teaching and service to the economics profession. It is clear that she caused many to see the excitement in economics and she served as an inspiring role model for many women, and also for many men. McCulloch’s talk was a delightful stroll down memory lane depicting what it was like to be a woman when she went to graduate school and beyond. The audience responded to her droll-humored stories with laughter and heartfelt applause.

Marjorie McElroy concluded the meeting with a brief presentation of CSWEP’s 2013 Annual Report.

In Gratitude

CSWEP thanks the following senior mentors for their dedicated service at CeMENT workshops at the 2013 SEA meetings or the 2014 AEA meetings.

**Susan Averett**, Lafayette College  
**Aimee Chin**, University of Houston  
**Lisa Daniels**, Washington College  
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**Petra Todd**, University of Pennsylvania  
**Tara Watson**, Williams College  
**Catherine Wolfram**, University of California, Berkeley

CSWEP also thanks the following special guests at the CeMENT workshops.

**Nancy Lutz**, National Science Foundation  
**Jenny Minier**, University of Kentucky

Elaine Bennett Research Prize

Established in 1998 to recognize and honor outstanding research in any field of economics by a woman at the beginning of her career, the Elaine Bennett Research Prize has been awarded to:

**Erica Field** (2010)  
**Amy Finkelstein** (2008)  
**Monika Piazzesi** (2006)  
**Marianne Bertrand** (2004)  
**Esther Dufo** (2002)  

Carolyn Shaw Bell Award

Named after the first Chair of CSWEP, the Carolyn Shaw Bell Award was created in January 1998 as part of the 25th Anniversary celebration of CSWEP’s founding and is given annually to an individual who has furthered the status of women in the economics profession through example, achievements, increasing our understanding of how women can advance in the economics profession and mentoring others. Prior recipients were:

**Catherine C. Eckel** (2012)  
**Sharon Oster** (2011)  
**Elizabeth Hoffman** (2010)  
**Elizabeth E. Bailey** (2009)  
**Anne Carter** (2008)  
**Olivia S. Mitchell** (2007)  
**Barbara Fraumeni** (2006)  
**Claudia Goldin** (2005)  
**Barbara Bergmann** (2004)  
**Margaret Garritsen de Vries** (2002)  
**Francine Blau** (2001)  
**Marianne Ferber** (2001)  
**Eva Mueller** (2000)  
**Sandra Ohrn Moose** (1999) and **Alice M. Rivlin** (1998).
Calls & Announcements

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**CSWEP Call for Papers @ 2014 Southern Economic Association Meeting**

November 22–24, 2014, Atlanta, GA

Individual papers or entire sessions or professional development panel submissions in gender or any area of economics are welcome.

**Deadline: September 29, 2014.**

**CSWEP Call for Applications for the Joan Haworth Mentoring Fund**

CSWEP welcomes applications to the Joan Haworth Mentoring Fund, which was established to encourage senior mentoring women and institutions to incorporate mentoring of junior professionals into their programs. The fund provides small grants (typically less than $1K) to permit mentors to either extend a visit to an institution for the purpose of mentoring or to visit an institution for that purpose alone. Applications for funds may be submitted by the institution, junior women or the mentor herself. The application must include cost-sharing with the home institution and the mentoring must benefit more than an individual faculty member. Mentoring does not need to be field specific and can also include professional development advice. Successful applicants will be asked to write a summary of what they have gained from the mentoring effort.

**Deadline: Ongoing.**

**CSWEP Sessions @ 2014 Midwest Economics Association Meeting**

Evanston, IL: Chair: Anne E. Winkler, University of Missouri-St. Louis

Friday, March 21, 2014

10:00am–11:45am

Advice for Job Seekers

Panelists: Maria Canon, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Working for the Fed; Marta Lachowska, Upjohn Institute, What Policy Institutes are Looking For; Amanda Felkey, Lake Forest College, A View from a Liberal Arts Institution; and Patricia Smith, University of Michigan-Dearborn, Teaching and Doing Research at a Branch Campus of a Public University.

11:45am–1:15pm

CSWEP Networking Luncheon

1:15pm–3:00pm

Academic Careers

Panelists: Debra Israel, Indiana State University, Children and the Tenure Clock; Lonnie Golden, Penn State University Abington, Being Proactive in Your Career; Andrea Ziegert, Denison University, Facing Administrative Overload; and Anne Winkler, University of Missouri-St. Louis, Moving Up the Academic Ladder.

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“We need every day to herald some woman’s achievements... go ahead and boast!”
—Carolyn Shaw Bell

Luciana Echazu, Clarkson University, Shanti Gamper-Rabindran, School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, and Valerie Kepner, King’s College, were awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor.

Ilyana Kuziemko and Emi Nakamura of Columbia University were both awarded Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowships.

Loretta J. Mester was appointed President and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland.

Sandra Trejos, Professor of Economics at Clarion University of Pennsylvania, was awarded the Outstanding Latina Faculty in Higher Education (Teaching Institutions) Award by the American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education.

Janet Yellen was confirmed as the Chair of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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Eastern Economic Association 
http://www.ramapo.edu/eea/conference/ 
2014 Annual Meeting, March 14–16, 2014 Boston, MA: Boston Park Plaza

Midwest Economics Association 
http://web.grinnell.edu/mea 

Western Economics Association International 
http://www.weaointernational.org 
89th Annual Conference, June 27–July 1, 2014 Denver, CO: Grand Hyatt Denver

Southern Economics Association 
http://www.southerneconomic.org 
2014 Annual Conference, November 22–24 2014 Atlanta, GA: Atlanta Marriott Marquis

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