

He will be greatly missed by students, student-athletes, alumni, faculty, staff, and area journalists. He is survived by Kathryn Heape; his son, Mark Sheldon Moore; his daughter, Laura Meredith Moore; his sister, Francis Moore; Mikko Lamminen; Erik Lamminen; Stephanie Heape Reller; Jason Reller; Quinn and Brewington Reller; Laura Heape Brisson; Bradley Brisson; and Kathryn Brisson.

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#### IRA ROHTER

Ira Rohter, professor of political science at the University of Hawai'i since 1968, passed away on June 22, 2009. He was well known in the community as a leading scholar-activist. Professor Rohter wrote the pathbreaking book *A Green Hawaii: A Sourcebook for Development Alternatives*. It helped others to see the possibilities for going beyond criticism of the current order to undertake positive, transformative action.

Professor Rohter regularly taught courses in the politics of Hawaii, political ecology and development, environmental politics, and alternative futures. In and out of the classroom, he provided a positive role model for students and for many others in the state. He was one of the founders of the Green Party in Hawai'i, and helped to bring about the first election of a Green Party member to public office. He was a founding member of the Transformational Politics section of APSA.

Professor Rohter was actively involved in public policy issues dealing with social justice, environmentalism, and community economic well being. He authored bills and legislation and led campaigns to get them passed in county councils and the state legislature. He wrote frequent op-ed pieces and was known by many officeholders and media people for his analyses of Hawai'i political trends and his knowledge about alternative energy, sustainable agriculture and forestry, and grassroots political activism.

He served as the president of the Hawaii Clean Elections project and as a vice president of the Hawaii Coalition Against Legalized Gambling. His far-reaching participation in local activist organizations allowed him to develop extensive internship opportunities for students, many of whom went on to political careers.

Professor Rohter's accomplishments cannot be recorded as a list of publications in a vita, but they are reflected in the many blogs that honored him at his passing. Here is just one example:

A truly inspiring and great man who in my first year as a Poli Sci major at UH showed me the way and gave me enthusiasm and passion for Hawai'i's future. I hope that we will be able to let his legacy live on as he envisioned in his book *Green Hawai'i*. He was encouraging and gave me hope that after all of his years of activism for Hawai'i there is spirit in the youth of today that we can overcome the destruction that has come over Hawai'i. His ideas and work will live on in all of us students who want what is best for Hawai'i.

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*University of Hawai'i*  
George Kent  
*University of Hawai'i*

#### GEORGE ALBRO WARP

A life of service to others ended on March 26, 2009, when professor emeritus George A. Warp of the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs of the University of Minnesota passed away at age 95. George was born on June 12, 1913, in Northfield, Ohio, and graduated from Bedford High School in Ohio. Prior to being associated with the University of Minnesota for the past 60 years, he graduated from Oberlin College, Case Western University, and Columbia University, earning degrees in political science, public administration, international administration, as well as law. George served briefly as a political science faculty member at the University of Minnesota, where he met and married his late wife, Lois, in 1940 before entering the U.S. Navy following the entry of the United States into World War II. His service in the Pacific theater led to his postwar appointment as a civilian advisor under General MacArthur in Japan from 1946–1948. Upon completion of that assignment, George returned to the University of Minnesota in 1948 as a professor of political science and served first as associate director and then director of the graduate program in public administration in the department's Public Administration Center until 1965 when the center became a self-standing unit of the College of Liberal Arts. He remained director through 1968 when the center was succeeded by the School of Public

Affairs and recreated as the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs in 1978 as a collegiate unit named as a memorial honoring the late vice president and Minnesota's senator. George served as a professor and chair of graduate admissions until his retirement in 1982.

In his leadership of the public administration program, George was tireless and dedicated in serving the academic and career interests and needs of the students who sought preparation for public service and academic careers. In the classroom, he had a quiet, unassuming, unflappable approach, ever guiding, never combative, always with the students' interests at heart. One of George's greatest contributions to the university's public affairs programs was formalizing internships as part of the curriculum. He believed that students in a professional program needed practical training and relevant field experience to complement their coursework. One alumnus noted, "George pretty much invented the concept of paid internships in the public sector in Minnesota, using his contacts to obtain part time support for almost our entire class. To this day there are hundreds of former students who will attest that they are indebted to George for their careers, which began as public administration internships when they were his students."

With host financial sponsorships of internships now more difficult to secure, in 2006, George made a sizeable stock gift to the Humphrey Institute to establish the George A. Warp Internship Fund to provide grants to support public policy and planning students who conduct unpaid or low-paying internships as part of their degree programs. His financial legacy reflects his commitment to the internship concept.

Not only was George known nationally and internationally in the field of administration, but within the university he initiated many interdisciplinary efforts to join a public administration curricular dimension to graduate programs in agriculture, social work, architecture, public health, as well as law, in some cases leading to joint-degree programs.

In his post retirement years George was active in the founding of the University of Minnesota Retirees Association, serving as one of its early presidents, and in the formation of the Minnesota Senior Federation, of which he also served as president. An avid university sports fan, he maintained to the end season tickets to Gopher

football and men's basketball and hockey games, which he shared with his children. George is preceded in death by his wife, Lois, with whom he shared a wonderful life for over 60 years, and he is survived by his three children, Diana (Ray) Thron, John (Sandi) Warp, Cindy (Klaus Trieselmann) Winter; six grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

At George's memorial service, one alumnus remarked in reflecting on his legacy of being of service to students, "In his own way he made sure he was helpful. His ideas were always thoughtful. Professor Warp was a nice decent man." Another alumnus closed his eulogy remarks by saying, "We shall miss this kind gentle man, whose love for his wife, children, and grand and great grandchildren was known to all of us and whose dedication to the university and his responsibilities within it was legendary. He was proud of his students as they became alumni and made their mark in public service. He was a mentor, colleague, and friend of mine and at least one of these for each of you and even more for his children, Diana, John, and Cindy."

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#### DEIL S. WRIGHT

Deil Spencer Wright, Alumni Distinguished Professor Emeritus at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, passed away on June 30 2009, at the age of 79. Born on June 18, 1930, in Three Rivers, Michigan, to working-class parents, Deil received his BA, MPA, and Ph.D. from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. He spent time on the faculties of Wayne State University, the University of Iowa, and the University of California at Berkeley before landing at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for the bulk of his career.

Deil was a great scholar, but so much more. He was also an athlete, a mentor, a family man, a gentle soul, and great friend to a legion of students and colleagues. Two of his ever-present companions, Angus and Sandy, also make their appearances here.

Deil was truly a consummate scholar. His first published article (coauthored with Morris Janowitz) appeared in a 1956 volume of *Public Administration Review* while Deil was still a graduate student. Fifty-four years and over 100 publications later

one of his final articles (there are more in the pipeline) will appear in a 2010 volume of the *Public Administration Review*. That single statement gives you one flavor of the man who may have officially "retired" a number of years back but continued to teach courses for a number of years, and was active in research, publication, and conference participation up until his death. His final conference was in May of 2009, the State Politics and Policy Conference in his hometown of Chapel Hill, but he was already scheduled for the APSA in the fall and planning on others.

Deil was one of the most vigorous and energetic persons you could encounter. Friends and coauthors often had difficulty keeping up with him at conferences. Armed with a pocketful of notes to remind him of his schedule, Deil would begin each day of a professional meeting with an early breakfast, often including a meeting, and would proceed from there to attend panel sessions, special presentations and award ceremonies, more meetings, and receptions through the early evening. Deil would use conferences to collaborate with his coauthors, which were many, often meeting very late in the day, 11:00 p.m. or later. Late at the end of a very long day, Deil's energy was still higher than his (usually younger) coauthors and his phenomenal memory filled in names, dates, publications, findings, and the host of other details required to turn a decent conference paper into a clearly publishable one. In his later days Deil made a modest concession to age: still putting in a full day of panel sessions and related activities but moving his evening meetings all the way up to 8:00 p.m. or 9:00 p.m. While meetings may have moved up, his coauthors still frequently received 10:00 p.m. phone calls to discuss whatever project was on the current agenda. He definitely lived up to his name, where in Celtic Deil is translated as "devil" and Wright as "worker."

Angus and Sandy rented a boat and were out fishing in a lake. Every time they threw out their lines, they caught a fish. On and on they fished until dark was almost upon them. As they were rowing back to the dock Angus said to Sandy, "Did you mark that spot like I asked you to so we can find it again tomorrow?" "I did." Sandy replied, "I put an X right here on the side of the boat." "Oh, Sandy," Angus responded, "you didn't. We might not get this same boat tomorrow!"

As a young scholar Deil became fascinated with the world of state administrators and how they fit into the nexus of intergovernmental relations. This led him to begin the American State Administrator's Project in the 1960s, a series of surveys conducted twice a decade from 1964 through 2008 detailing the experiences and environments of state administrators. These recurring studies provided many of Deil's publications—including *Understanding Intergovernmental Relations*, considered by many to be a definitive work in this field—as well as the publications of his colleagues and graduate students. The ASAP data were a critical element in moving the study of public administration in general and state administration in particular from isolated case studies into systematic analysis. The forthcoming 2010 *Public Administration Review* article is focused on this massive and unique contribution of Deil's to the field of public administration.

Deil's research garnered him substantial recognition in the fields of political science and public administration. The American Political Science Association's Public Administration Section awarded him—three times—the Herbert Kaufman Award for the best paper on public administration presented at the APSA conference. The Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations Section of APSA recognized Deil for both the best conference paper and the best book published during the year. And the State Politics and Policy Section of APSA recognized Deil with a Career Achievement Award for research on state politics. One of his most recent awards he received was the Rita Mae Kelly award. He was particularly proud of this award for it represented his mentorship and generosity as he mentored and coauthored with women students and colleagues on bureaucratic representation.

Meanwhile across the disciplinary street at the American Society for Public Administration, Deil was recognized with the Donald C. Stone award for distinguished academic contributions to the field of intergovernmental relations, the William E and Frederick A Mosher Award for the best yearly article by an academician published in the *Public Administration Review*, and the Dwight Waldo Award for outstanding contributions over a lifetime to the professional literature on public administration.

Sandy boarded a cross-town bus with his bag of golf clubs and a very large suitcase.