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*Illinois Economics Association  
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October 20-21, 2006



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**Friday and Saturday,**  
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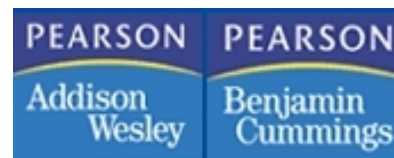
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**Saturday, October 21, 2006**

10:00am-10:30am **Continental Breakfast** White Oak Room

10:30am-12:00pm **Session E**

**E-1 Doctoral Student Presentations** Monarch Room

Session Organizer & Chair: Stephen Karlson, *Northern Illinois University*

**Invited Finalists:**

1. **Veronica Alaimo, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
"The Role of Migration in Family Transfers: Is There a Trade-off Between Time and Money Assistance?"
2. **Julieta Frank, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
"Effect of USDA Announcements in Futures Prices: Evidence from the Hogs and Pigs report."
3. **Christina Houseworth, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
"Determinants of Ethnic Inter-marriage Among Immigrants to the United States"
4. **Jian Zhou, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
"Rational Bubbles: A State-Space Estimation for a Chicago Local Apartment Market."

**Judges:**

Stephen Karlson, *Northern Illinois University*

Marc Hayford, *Loyola University Chicago*

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12:00pm **Doctoral Student Presentation Prize Announcement**

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**NOON-12:30pm Annual Meeting of IEA Trustees**

White Oak Room

*Open to all interested members.*

**Friday, October 20, 2006**

8:30am-3:30pm **Registration** 3rd Fl., SCE

8:30am-9:00am **Continental Breakfast** Cardinal Room  
*Sponsored by: Addison-Wesley* 3rd Fl., SCE

9:00am-10:30am **Concurrent Session A**

**A-1 APPLIED MACROECONOMICS** Ft. Dearborn Room

Session Organizer & Chair: Georgios Karras, *University of Illinois at Chicago*

**PAPERS:**

1. **Marc D. Hayford, *Loyola University Chicago***  
"A Comparison of Republican and Democratic Fiscal Policy Rules"
2. **Jaejoon Woo, *DePaul University***  
"Growth, Income Distribution, and Fiscal Volatility"
3. **George Waters, *Illinois State***  
"REIT Markets and Rational Speculative Bubbles: An Empirical Investigation"
4. **George Karras, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
"On the Asymmetric Effects of Monetary Policy: Comparing Money-Supply and Interest-Rate Shocks"

**A-2 PUBLIC FINANCE** Monarch Room

Session Organizer & Chair: David Merriman, *Loyola University Chicago*

**PAPERS:**

1. **Nathan Anderson, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
"Property Taxes and Opportunity Costs"
2. **Michael Dorsch, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
"A Theory of Social Mobility and Public Consumption"

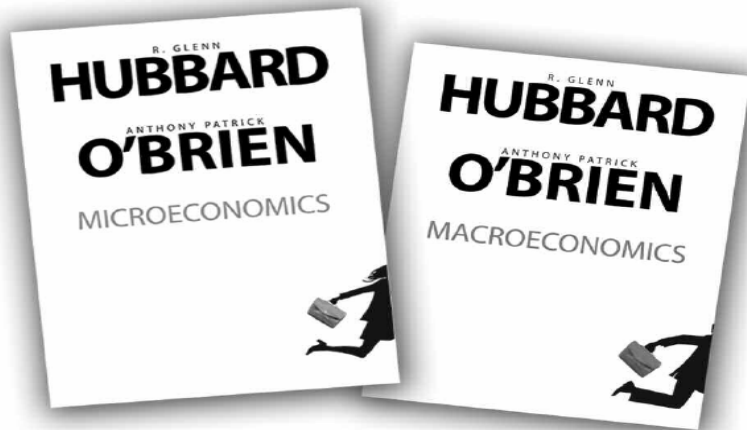
**A-3 HEALTH ECONOMICS** White Oak Room

Session Organizer & Chair: Fritz Laux, *Northeastern State University*

**PAPERS:**

1. **Richard Peck, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
"Life Cycle Medical Expenditures"
2. **Yanjun (Carol) Bao, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
"Effects of Family Structure on Child Body Weight"
3. **Fritz Laux, *Northeastern State University* and Frank Chaloupka, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
"The Economic Impact on Illinois Restaurants of the Imposition of Nonsmoking Sections"

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- Fort, *Sports Economics, 2e*
- Holcombe, *Public Sector Economics: The Role of Government in the American Economy*
- Neilson, *Personnel Economics*



## D-3 HEALTH ECONOMICS

White Oak Room

Session Organizer & Chair: Elizabeth Bass,  
*James A. Haley VAMC Patient Safety Center of Inquiry*

### PAPERS:

1. **Aparajita Zutshi, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
"Treatment Regimen and Childhood Asthma: Implications for the Income Gradient in Health"
2. **Elizabeth Bass and Dustin French, *James A. Haley VAMC Patient Safety Center of Inquiry***  
"One Year Mortality after Hip Fracture in Elderly Veterans"
3. **Marcia Khairallah, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
"Is Mother's Education a Substitute for Father's Presence? Child Malnutrition in Nicaragua"

**Discussants:** Steve Xu, *University of Illinois at Chicago*  
Fritz Laux, *Northeastern State University*  
Richard Peck, *University of Illinois at Chicago*

## D-4 ECONOMIC HISTORY

Cardinal Room

Session Organizer & Chair: Mark Guglielmo, *University of Chicago*

### PAPERS:

1. **Laura Owen, *DePaul University***  
"Part-time Employment in the United States and Canada: Post-WWII Trends"
2. **Sok Chul Hong, *University of Chicago***  
"Health and Economic Burden of Malaria in Nineteenth-Century America"

**Discussants:** Hilarie Lieb, *Northwestern University*  
Joe Ferrie, *Northwestern University*

**C-3 HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS *Continued...* White Oak Room**

2. **Veronica Alaimo, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
 "The Role of Migration in Family Transfers: Is There a Trade-off Between Time and Money Assistance?"

3. **Ana Fava, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
 "Gender Roles and Earnings in Brazil: Were There Any Changes between 1981 and 2001?"

**Discussants:** Veronica Alaimo, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*  
 Ana Fava, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*  
 Christina Houseworth, *University of Illinois at Chicago*

**3:15pm-3:30pm Coffee Break Cardinal Room**  
*Sponsored by: Wiley*

**3:30pm-5:00pm Concurrent Session D**

**D-1 Agricultural and Environmental Economics Ft. Dearborn Room**  
 Session Organizer & Chair: Mary Arends-Kuenning, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

**PAPERS:**

1. **Sung Soo Lim, Alex Winter-Nelson, and Mary Arends-Kuenning, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
 "Household Bargaining Power and Agricultural Supply Response: Evidence from Ethiopian Coffee Growers"

2. **Min-Yang Lee, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
 "Merger as a Regulatory Compliance Mechanism: Small Drinking Water Systems and the Safe Water Drinking Act"

3. **Justin Gardner and Carl Nelson, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
 "Genetically Modified Organisms and Labor Savings in U.S. Crop Production"

**Discussants:** Min-Yang Lee, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*  
 Mary Arends-Kuenning, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

**D-2 TEACHING OF ECONOMICS Monarch Room**  
 Session Organizer & Chair: Helen Roberts, *University of Illinois at Chicago*

**PAPERS:**

1. **Daniel Condon and Peter Alonzi, *Dominican University***  
 "Teaching Economics with Game Shows"

2. **Richard Peck, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
 "Facts and Examples for Introductory Microeconomics"

3. **Thomas M. Smith, and Helen Roberts, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
 "Assessing the Impact of PBL on Student Understanding in Micro Principles"

**10:30am-10:45am Coffee Break Cardinal Room**  
*Sponsored by: Addison Wesley*

**10:45am-12:15pm Concurrent Session B**

**B-1 FUTURE MARKETS Monarch Room**  
 Session Organizer & Chair: Peter Alonzi, *Dominican University*

**PAPERS:**

1. **Aaron Smith, *University of California at Davis***  
 "Commodity Futures Price Dynamics: Disentangling Convenience Yield, Backwardation, Delivery Friction, and Risk Premia"

2. **Peter Locke, *George Washington University* and Steven Mann, *Texas Christian University***  
 "Prior Outcomes and Risky Choices by Professional Traders"

3. **Peter Alonzi, *Dominican University* and Jeffrey Williams, *University of California at Davis***  
 "The Roll of Spreading"

**Discussants:** Tassos Malliaris, *Loyola University*  
 David Mirza, *Loyola University*  
 Frank Rose, Ph.D.

**B-2 ECONOMIC EDUCATION Ft. Dearborn Room**  
 Session Organizer & Chair: Helen Roberts, *University of Illinois at Chicago*

**PAPERS:**

1. **Paul J. Pieper, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
 "Where are Econ Departments Located?"

2. **Lawrence Officer, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
 "EH.net and MeasuringWorth.com: Economics for Scholars and the Masses"

3. **Helen Roberts, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
 "Economics of Education, National and Local"

**B-3 SOLOW GROWTH MODELS White Oak Room**  
 Session Organizer & Chair: Houston H Stokes, *University of Illinois at Chicago*

**PAPERS:**

1. **Charles Renfro, *AlphaMetrics*, Kathleen Odell, *University of Illinois at Chicago* and Houston H. Stokes, *University of Illinois at Chicago***  
 "Testing the Log -Linear Augmented Solow Model for Functional Form Specification: A Pedagogic Study"

2. **Ross Hanig and Mary Arends-Kuenning, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign***  
 "Beyond Human Suffering—The Economic Cost of Oppression: The Solow Model in a Panel-Data Framework with Human Rights, Human Capital, and Market Openness"

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**Speaker: Tom Ulen, Swanlund Chair**

Director, Illinois Program in Law and Economics

**"The Market for Legal Innovation: Law and Economics in Europe and the United States."**

1:45pm-3:15pm

**Concurrent Session C**

**C-1 SPORTS ECONOMICS**

**Ft. Dearborn Room**

Session Organizer & Chair: Kevin Quinn, *St. Norbert College*

### PAPERS:

1. **Paul Bursik, John Dose and Kevin Quinn, *St. Norbert College***  
"Medical Doctors, Base Stealers, and Statistics"
2. **Anthony Krautmann, *De Paul University***  
"Competitive Balance and the Uncertainty of Outcome Hypothesis in North American Sports Leagues"
3. **Anne Berkovitz, Melissa Geier, and Kevin Quinn, *St. Norbert College***  
"Paying for Superstars in the National Football League: An Analysis of Teams' Allocation of Salary Cap Across Rosters"

**C-2 International Education in the Middle East:**

**Monarch Room**

**The Case of Effat College Saudi Arabia**

Session Organizer & Chair: Nancy Scannell, *University of Illinois at Springfield*

### PAPERS:

1. **Carol Thorne, *Independent Consultant***  
"Starting a Continuing Professional Education Department for Women at Effat College"
2. **Michelle Glowacki-Dudka, *Ball State University***  
"Expectations and Experiences with Teaching Women at a Private College in Saudi Arabia"
3. **Nancy Scannell, *University of Illinois at Springfield***  
"Teaching Finance at Effat College: A Fulbright Specialist Experience in Spring 2006"

**C-3 HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS**

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