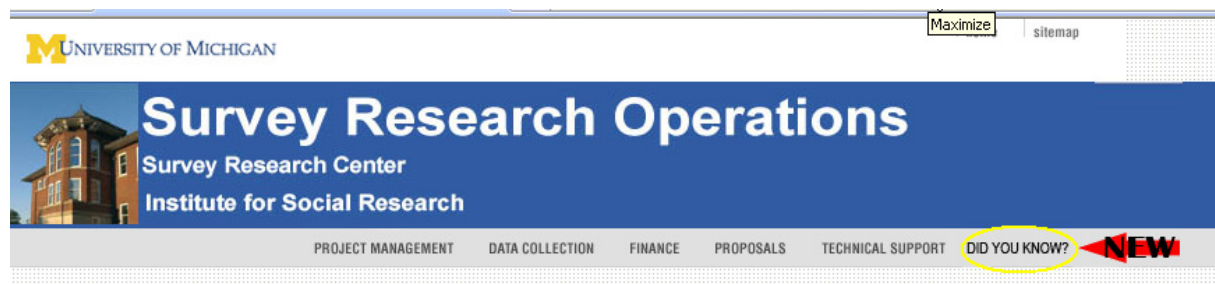


Happening in SRO

You can find this “Happening in SRO” and all similar updates on the SRO Intranet. Look for the Section titled: Did You Know?



SRO Supply Day

In the last few months, Nancy Bylica has been gathering unused office supplies. During the SRO Clean-up Day, as part of the clean-up, SRO staff identified supplies in their work space which were no longer needed. All of these items will be inventoried by Nancy and a Google document will be created listing what is available. We will be encouraging staff to check this list before ordering supplies for use as part of your job or in support for projects. In addition, we will be having a **Supply Day on Tuesday, April 14th and Wednesday, April 15th**. All un-used supplies will be in G132 during SRO Business hours. If you need some supplies, please stop in to see what is available. Note that as these are supplies purchased by SRO or by projects on overhead or sponsored funds, these items can only be used at work. So, if you are in need of a pile of paperclips for home -- you still need to go to the store! These supplies are only for work use. Nancy will communicate more information on the Google doc supply listing. If you have any questions, **please see Nancy, Ryan Neice, or Jody Dougherty**.

New Project: Humility and Forgiveness: The Role of Social Relations among Three Ethnic Groups

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Along with Dr.'s Kira Birditt, Kristine Ajrouch, and James Jackson, Toni Antonucci has recently been awarded a grant from the Templeton Foundation for research related to “Humility and Forgiveness: The Role of Social Relations among Three Ethnic Groups”. This project will study how social relations, especially with close friends and family, contribute to the development of humility and how it in turn affects aspects of everyday life, such as forgiveness and well-being. The study will address the following questions among both individuals and spousal partners: 1) How do social networks influence the virtues of humility and forgiveness?; 2) Do social networks influence well-being via humility and forgiveness?; 3) Do links among social relations, humility/forgiveness and well-being vary by ethnicity/race?; 4) Do patterns of social relations, humility, and forgiveness predict acceptance and/or discrimination between ethnic groups?

SRO is currently conducting data collection in the SSL on Dr. Antonucci's Social Relations panel project. The Humility and Forgiveness project is a new endeavor, with new respondents. We will use telephone numbers from Southeast Michigan as a sample frame, selecting from geographic areas we know have a higher-than-average proportion of both African American and Arab American households. The goal is to complete 300 telephone interviews each with African American, Arab American, and white respondents (900 interviews), plus approximately 300 spouses of those respondents – so, 1200 interviews total. All interviewing will be done from the SSL. SRO preproduction work is scheduled to start by the end of April, with data collection starting this summer.

SRO Spring Poster Session...Success!

On March 17, the Survey Process Forum (SPF) hosted the first SRO Spring Poster Session. This was a lively, engaging set of presentations that was well-attended and enjoyed by all! We were pleased that the presenters and attendees came from all areas of SRO, and everyone agreed that the presentations were interesting and informative. The SPF felt that the event was successful in sharing information and promoting interaction between SRO staff, and is hopeful that the event motivated others to consider sharing their work in the future. A huge thank you to all of the presenters and coordinators! Please contact the SPF if you have an idea for a future poster!

The following posters were presented in the first session:

- Collecting and Analyzing Data from Respondent #800 Lines (Russ Stark, DCO-SSL)
- Innovative Technical Solutions for Interview Navigation & Case Distribution in the Ghana Socioeconomic Panel Survey (Jay Lin, PDMG)
- Web Tools for Communication Remotely (Beth Jones, DCO-DCS)
- Butterflies & Transportation: Minimizing Print & Assembly Costs (Becky Loomis, PDMG)
- Implementation of Neurocognitive Tests in the Adolescent Health Risk Behavior Study (Max Malhotra, Kyle Kwaiser, Louis Daher, Hueichun Peng, TSG, and Meredith House, PDMG)
- Genome-Wide Association Studies in Army STARRS (Paul Schulz, SMU)
- SSL Heat Maps (Paul Burton, SMU)
- Prototyping Touchscreen Blaise Applications (Karl Dinkelmann, TSG)
- Adding Business Intelligence to Survey Paradata (Minako Edgar, Joel Devonshire, Kyle Kwaiser, TSG)
- K-12 Teaching & learning Classroom Video Repository (Dave Padot, TSG)
- Self-contained Remote Data Collection Infrastructure (Louis Daher, Jas Sokhal, TSG)

