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NOTES FROM THE CHAIR

Dear members of the Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems:

Our Division is alive and well, and in this newsletter we will share some interesting news. At the 2007 annual meetings of the SSSP in New York, I assumed to role of 2007-2009 division chair. I would particularly like to express my gratitude to Charis

Kubrin of George Washington University for her service to the CJD Division as 2005-2007 chair. I will endeavor to fill her shoes, and to serve the needs our division.

Also, thanks to everyone who attended and organized sessions at the 2007 meetings in New York City. Thanks to everyone who presented, organized a session, or acted as a discussant. Your participation and service to the division makes all the difference.

I'm proud to report that by all indicators, our division is doing very well. At the 2007 meetings, CJD sponsored or co-sponsored 11 paper sessions, and these were well-attended. In addition, our division membership is up. A year ago, there were 333 members, and as of this writing we have 390 members. We are one of the largest and most active divisions in the SSSP.

I'm looking forward to serving a the CJD Div. chair for the next two years, and I am hopeful that I will have a chance personally to meet you at future meetings. If you all have any thoughts about what we can do to improve the academic and professional quality of our session, please don't hesitate to contact me with your suggestions.

Enjoy the newsletter and the fall semester.

Viva!
Glenn

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division is in need of a volunteer to work on revising the division's statement. The statement is about two pages long, single spaced and includes a one-page bibliography of works key in crime/delinquency studies. This statement can be posted on the SSSP website, and might serve as a basic statement for those interested in crime/delinquency. Also, it serves as a way to define who we are as a division. The statement has not been revised since 1996. Anyone interested in serving the division by volunteering to oversee revision of the statement may contact the chair:

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

California State University, Los Angeles – Two Positions:

The Department of Sociology at California State University, Los Angeles has two tenure-track assistant professor positions, to begin September 2008. One position is in Criminology and Sociology of Law and the other position is in Deviance, with secondary areas of specialization open for both.

Minimum qualifications include an ABD or Ph.D. in Sociology or related social science field. A Ph.D. from an accredited institution of higher

education is required for tenure. Candidates must have an interest in and a record of coursework and/or teaching experience in sociology. Candidates should provide a record of or potential for scholarly activity involving students whenever possible, as well as the demonstrated potential for effective teaching using a variety of methods. Candidates should also demonstrate an ability or interest in teaching in a multicultural, multiethnic campus. For more information on the Department of Sociology, see <http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/soc/index.htm>

Please submit an application letter, curriculum vita, official transcripts, and three letters of recommendation. The application deadline is October 15, 2007. Employment is contingent upon proof of eligibility to work in the United States and completion of the University's Application for Academic Employment form. Address application, required documentation, and requests for information to:
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Assistant/Associate Professor of Sociology -- Morehead State University -- Kentucky

Assistant or Associate Professor of Sociology. Morehead State University invites applications for a standing position as Assistant or Associate Professor of Sociology in the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminology.

Responsibilities: Teach four courses per semester of undergraduate and graduate courses which will include core undergraduate courses for the major, such as Criminology, Deviance, Introduction to Criminal Justice, and Race, Class, Gender and Crime as well as courses in

the successful candidate's sub-area of expertise or core sociology courses; advise students; participate in scholarly activity; and provide service.

Qualifications; Ph.D. in Criminology, Sociology, or closely related field. The J.D. or similar degree is not an appropriate qualification for this position. ABD's must show evidence of completion by the starting date of this appointment. Must have an interest in and commitment to the University's regional stewardship public engagement mission as it relates to the field of Criminology. Must value and use diversity in all its forms to enrich undergraduate and graduate education. Must have a willingness to contribute to the Department's distance learning efforts. To ensure consideration, application materials must be received by November 1, 2007. However, position will remain open until filled. To apply, visit; <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/hr/index.aspx> to complete the MSU Application for Employment and attach a letter of application describing the applicant's qualification, a vita, one journal article or chapter length writing sample, and at least three letters of recommendation. The online application must be completed; however, supporting documents can be mailed to Office of Human Resources, Attention, Sociology, Morehead State University, HM 101, Morehead, Kentucky 40351. Morehead State University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action educator and employer with a strong commitment to community engagement.

The Department of Sociology at the University of Massachusetts Boston invites applications for a tenure track position as assistant professor beginning September 1, 2008. Teaching will be at both the undergraduate (Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Social Psychology majors) and graduate (MA in Applied Sociology) levels and includes courses in Police and Society, Sociology of Law and

related areas. Successful candidates will demonstrate experience and potential in both research and teaching. PhD in Sociology, Criminology or related field is required. Candidates must have PhD in hand by August 31, 2008. The search will remain open until the position is filled; for optimal consideration, please submit your application by Dec. 1. Refer to search number 660e in your cover letter and send a letter of application, vitae, samples of writing and published work, teaching portfolio, research statement and three letters of recommendation to Search Committee, c/o Professor Susan Gore, Chair, Department of Sociology, University of Massachusetts Boston, 100 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, MA 02125-3393. UMass Boston is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity, Title IX employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

MEMBER NEWS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Laurie Schaffner, sociologist at the University of Illinois at Chicago, was awarded the American Sociology Association's Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship Award from the Section on Children and Youth for her qualitative study of court-involved young women, *Girls in Trouble with the Law*, (2006, Rutgers University Press). She is currently on a Fulbright in Mexico at the University of Guadalajara.

Stephen J. Morewitz, Ph.D. & Associates, IL & CA, California State University, East Bay, won a California State University faculty research grant to study suicidal risk behaviors among women at domestic violence shelters.

Stephen J. Morewitz, Ph.D. & Associates, IL & CA, California State University, East Bay, has joined the Sociology Department at San Jose State University.

William Chambliss of The George Washington University is organizing a workshop on "State Organized Crime" for the May session of the Onati Center for Socio-Legal Studies. Participants presenting papers at the Workshop includes Ray Michalowski, Ronald Kramer, Nancy Wonders and Jeff Chambliss.

Ken Kyle is starting a tenure track assistant professor position in California State University, East Bay's Department of Public Affairs and Administration.

Ronald Weitzer has published, "The Social Construction of Sex Trafficking: Ideology and Institutionalization of a Moral Crusade," *Politics and Society*, v.35 (Sept. 2007).

SUBMISSIONS WELCOME!

We welcome members to submit editorials, book reviews and other content to the CCJD newsletter! If you would like to submit something, please contact Sarah Shannon, newsletter editor at ster0171@umn.edu.