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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR



In this last issue of Volume 35 of *Social Problems Forum*, I am pleased to publish interesting book reviews by Holly Angelique, Lloyd Klein and Marc Flacks. In addition, Claire Renzetti has written the first in a series of informative articles about Philadelphia, the site of our next annual meetings. A call for papers for those meetings is also in this issue, as well as calls for various awards and funding opportunities.

Also in this issue are minutes and committee reports from the Annual Meeting. As was the case last year, some of the Annual Meeting reports are no longer printed, saving the SSSP some expense. All minutes and reports can be found online at the SSSP website (sssp1.org).

I continue to welcome contributions from you in the form of essays, reviews or letters to the editor. I would also like to print news from our members – publications, presentations, job changes, etc. Please send me information you would like to share with other SSSP members.

Stephen R. Couch, Editor

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE TOM HOOD

Just in case you don't get to the end of the Executive Officer's report I want to repeat a couple of lines. *"Most gratifying to me is the ownership of the Society that volunteer officers, committee members and chairs, have increasingly been taking. As a student of social movement activity and a member of many voluntary associations, I know that a professional organization is only as strong as its members want it to be. SSSP members certainly are a diverse crew with many competing interests BUT they are scholar advocates who want the organization to be strong and to be a voice for justice in today's world. Thank you for allowing me to serve you during the past year."*

Now that I have thanked you for your excellent work on behalf of the Society, it is **TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP**. The new academic year has started. Membership renewal notices have been emailed to every 2004 member. We have received renewals from 30 members whose membership had lapsed in 2004 or in 2003. Several schools have requested brochures to distribute to graduate students and other potential members. I still have the dream of having as many members as we have library subscriptions to **SOCIAL PROBLEMS**. We have seventeen hundred and four 2004 or 2005 members on October 12, 2004. My dream is to reach two thousand members this year. We have maintained approximately 2200 or more library subscriptions to the journal for the last twenty years (sometimes a few more, sometimes a few less). This is an excellent subscription base. Can we recruit more members? I used to believe that a subscription to the journal was an important membership benefit. This may still be true, but increased library access and increased electronic access means that if your institutional library has a subscription you can access current articles electronically through your library's online services sitting at your own computer.

Is your membership in SSSP more than a subscription to the journal? We have special problems divisions to facilitate interaction among the members who have interests in a particular area. "Institutional ethnography" formed in 2003 and organized sessions for the 2004 meetings that many persons attended. The "Global" division was organized at the 2004 meetings and will be organizing sessions for the 2005 meetings in Philadelphia. Many of our other divisions are very active. Poverty and Inequality continues as our largest membership division. They held an outstanding conference of their own following the regular meetings in Chicago in 2002. What special activities is your division planning?

Are you in touch with the members that form your division? Check out the sessions being organized by your division in the call for papers in this issue. The call has been mailed separately and is on the website. Share the news of your scholarship, teaching, advocacy and service with the other members of your division by sending news to your division's newsletter editor. Starting this fall all divisions will be sending their newsletters to members as pdf files. This move will save the Society money for other good purposes. If you have news that is of general interest to the membership of SSSP please send it to Steve Couch our newsletter editor. Sharing ideas and working together to advance our knowledge and our ability to deal with social problems is what we are about as an organization. **YOU GO MEMBERS!!**

You can promote your book at the Society's book exhibit. Each year we ask members to let us know about books they have published. We work to make sure the exhibit manager arranges with the publisher to have copies of the members book and order forms in the combined book exhibit that we have at our annual meetings. This year we are considering alternative exhibit managers. If you have suggestions, contact me or Michele Smith Koontz, our Administrative Officer and Annual Meeting Manager.

Speaking of the **ANNUAL MEETING !!!** When I look at membership reports for the last year, members join to come to present papers at the annual meeting. On March 4, 2004 we had 1142 individuals who had paid their dues for 2004. Of course some people were just enjoying a long grace period. Nevertheless by August 6, 2004 1629 individuals had paid their dues for 2004. You don't need to do the math. I'll tell you that 487 persons renewed or became members for the first time during that time period. We are doing more research to see how many of those who renewed during that time period registered for the Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

Those who attended the annual meeting in San Francisco will tell you it was a blockbuster with many memorable presentations and experiences. A new editor was selected for **SOCIAL PROBLEMS**. Of course all of our award winners were announced and honored as well. President Kathleen Ferraro and her program committee provided a most stimulating program. Michele Koontz, Nancy Brannon and the hotel staff at the Cathedral Hill kept the meetings running smoothly.

We have a highly contested election on our hands in America. I urge every one of you to take the time to vote.

If you haven't renewed your membership yet in SSSP, please send your renewal in today or renew directly at our web site. We want to see you next year in Philadelphia to hear your contribution to our new President Gary Alan Fine's Program Theme, "Blowback: The Unintended Consequences of Social Problems Solutions." Gary's Program Committee is Tim Diamond, Co-Chair, Ryerson University, PJ McGann, Co-Chair, University of Michigan, Joshua Gamson, University of San Francisco, Omar M. McRoberts, University of Chicago, Mindy Stomblor, Georgia State University.

Have a great year!

Tom Hood, Executive Officer

The **Editorial and Publications Committee of the Society for the Study Problems (SSSP)** has begun its search for the next editor of the *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter*. The Editor's three-year term begins with the last issue of Volume 36 in the fall of 2005. The Newsletter has become a vital means of communication among SSSP members. Among other things, it includes official reports and announcements of the Society; exchanges between members; and special features including book reviews and debates. The Board of Directors of the Society wants to ensure that the Newsletter remains an effective vehicle for generating interest and involvement in the society, for facilitating communication across Divisions, and for providing service to the Divisions and the members.

The Editor would prepare three newsletters per year and is responsible for preparing the final copy for the printer and for gathering and making decisions on materials to be included. The Society provides a small stipend for the Editor and a budget to pay for expenses of preparation and a student assistant.

Additional support from the host institution, including office space and computer and other equipment is expected, while release time is desirable. Because the Editor must coordinate with the Executive Office and with the officers of the Society, the Editor must be able to work well with others. Familiarity with the workings of the Society is highly desirable.

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Philadelphia: The City that Loves You Back
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The annual SSSP meeting will be held in Philadelphia next August, and part of my job as chair of the Local Arrangements Committee is to help ensure that participants are aware of all the city and the meeting have to offer. In subsequent issues of the Newsletter, readers will find essays on sociologically significant Philadelphia neighborhoods and the best way to see them as well as highlights of the 2005 program. But because many of us begin to make our travel plans fairly early and like to combine meeting attendance with a vacation, I thought it best to focus in this first essay on some of the city's major tourist attractions, many within walking distance of the meeting hotel, the Crowne Plaza, at 1800 Market St. in Center City, or a short trolley or bus ride away.

For History Buffs

Philadelphia is known as the "birthplace of the United States" because it is here that the Declaration of Independence was adopted on July 4, 1776. Built between 1732 and 1756, Independence Hall at 5th and Chestnut Sts. is where the adoption took place and from 1775 until 1783, it was the meeting place of the Second Continental Congress. The U.S. Constitution was written in its Assembly Room in 1787. Today Independence Hall is a national park and park rangers give free tours daily. Just outside the building is Independence Square, which is a great spot to sit and enjoy the scenery on a summer day. This is where the Declaration of Independence was first publicly read on July 8, 1776. (Incidentally, a couple of blocks away, near 4th and Walnut Sts. on Willing's Alley, is Old St. Joseph's Church, which was opened by the Jesuits in 1733, was the first Roman Catholic Church in Philadelphia, and was the original site of St. Joseph's University, where I currently teach. But its special "historical" significance to me is that my husband and I were married there 20 years ago.)

Just across the street from Independence Hall at 5th and Market Sts. is the Liberty Bell Pavilion, where you can see the Liberty Bell with its famous crack. The last time the bell was rung was on George Washington's birthday in 1846, but park rangers here will tell you the history of the bell and the legend of how it cracked.

There is a visitors' center for the Independence Hall area at 3rd and Chestnut Sts., and you can stop by there to sign up for other free tours of historic buildings in the area. If you prefer to have a look on your own, you will likely want to check out the First Bank of the United States (thought to be the oldest bank in the country, built between 1795 and 1797), Elfreth's Alley (off of 2nd and Arch Sts., which is the oldest continuously inhabited street in the U.S. and where homes built in the 1720s are still occupied and are mostly private residences; #126, though, is open to the public); the Fire Museum (Front and Quarry Sts., which is an 1876 firehouse – kids love this place); Betsy Ross House (234 Arch St., where Betsy supposedly sewed the first U.S. flag); the United States Mint (another favorite of kids, on 5th and Arch Sts., where the minting process is explained and actual coins can be seen being minted); and the Todd House (corner of 4th and Walnut Sts., where Dolley Payne Madison lived before she moved to Virginia with her second husband, James Madison).

Museums of All Kinds

Philadelphia is a great museum city. Probably the best known museum in Philadelphia is the Philadelphia Museum of Art (26th St. and Ben Franklin Pkwy.); feel free to make a fool of yourself by running up the front steps and pretending you are Rocky when you get to the top. But make sure you go inside and visit a few of its 200+ galleries. My favorites are the Indian temple, the Chinese Palace, and the Japanese tea house. The PMA is closed on Mondays, but on Sundays from 10 am to 1 pm admission is free.

Just a short walk up the Ben Franklin Parkway to 22nd St. is the Rodin Museum, which is always free, but donations are requested. This museum contains the largest collection of Auguste Rodin's work outside of France; the collection includes "The Thinker," which is on display outside and can be seen without touring the rest of the museum – but the rest is well worth your time.

Other art museums that are worth visiting, but that will require a bus or cab ride from the meeting hotel are the Institute of Contemporary Art (36th and Sansom Sts. on the University of Pennsylvania campus), and the Barnes

Foundation (300 Latches Lane, in Merion, adjacent to the St. Joseph's University campus). The latter is considered by many to be the best private collection of early modern art in the world, all displayed in Dr. Barnes' house according to the instructions he left in his will. Reading up on the history of the Barnes will make your visit even more enjoyable, and be sure to make reservations well in advance because only a limited number of people are permitted in each day.

But you don't have to go to a museum to see art in Philadelphia; the city has the most extensive display of art in public places of any U.S. city. You will find sculpture all along the Ben Franklin Parkway, at City Hall and on Market St. East, in Society Hill and Rittenhouse Square (both within walking distance of the meeting hotel), and even on the plaza of the Ben Franklin Bridge leading into New Jersey, where you'll see "A Bolt of Lightning" (a personal favorite) by Isamu Noguchi.

Besides art museums, Philadelphia boasts numerous museums of other kinds. Kids are especially fond of the Academy of Natural Sciences (19th St. and Ben Franklin Pkwy.), where there are fossils galore (including Thomas Jefferson's collection), reconstructed dinosaurs (including one that's 65 million years old), exhibits of animals in their natural habitats, and Outside-In (a nature museum for children 12 and under with lots of hands-on stuff). Kids of all ages should also not miss the Franklin Institute Science Museum (20th St. and Ben Franklin Pkwy). One of my favorites here is the world's largest pinball machine, which you can play, but when my sons were younger they especially enjoyed walking through the human heart.

If you prefer smaller museums that children would also enjoy, the Atwater Kent Museum (15 S. 7th St.) is a good choice. This is a museum of Philadelphia history, but gives visitors a great sense of what everyday life was like for early settlers to the city. Another favorite is the Please Touch Museum (210 N. 21st St.), a small museum with lots of hands-on experiences for children 12 and under, but especially accessible to children with disabilities. Incidentally, Philadelphia is home to the first zoo in the United States (Girard Ave. and 34th St.). Young children especially like the Tree House at the zoo, where they can climb on exhibits, hear story tellers, and learn about various animals. But the 42 acres that make up the zoo also have a great polar bear habitat, a wonderful reptile house, and a fun monorail to ride.

Philadelphia's museum offerings also reflect the city's richly diverse racial and ethnic history. The Balch Museum for Ethnic Studies (18 S. 7th St.) traces the history of immigration to the city. The African American Historical and Cultural Museum (7th and Arch Sts.) has five galleries filled with artifacts of African American history, including model slave ships. The museum also houses a fine collection of African American art and African masks. The National Museum of American Jewish History (55 N. 5th St.) is the only museum in the United States that focuses totally on the contributions of Jewish people to U.S. history. Attached to the museum is a beautiful synagogue, Congregation Mikveh Israel, which is the oldest synagogue in Philadelphia and the second oldest in the country.

Perhaps because I am a criminologist, I never fail to take visitors to the Eastern State Penitentiary (22nd St. and Fairmount Ave.); I take my spring semester criminology class there as well. Designed in the 1820s by prison reformers as a model prison, it housed convicted offenders until 1971, among them were Willie Sutton and Al Capone. A primary principle of this prison system was that solitary confinement was necessary for rehabilitation. The guided tours are terrific (and sobering); you have to wear a hard hat to protect against falling plaster and other hazards, and children under 7 are not admitted.

Philadelphia is also home to some of the more unusual museums in the United States and the world. Among them are the Mutter Museum (19 S. 22nd St. at the College of Physicians of Philadelphia), which contains unusual medical specimens and artifacts, including some pretty scary surgical instruments and a prescription tablet from the 7th century B.C.E.; the Mario Lanza Institute and Museum (416 Queen St., at the Settlement Music School), which is a kind of shrine to this Italian American tenor who was born and raised in South Philly (and whom my parents adored); and the Mummery Museum (1100 S. 2nd St.), where one can learn the history of these famous bands who strut up Broad St. every New Year's Day to the cheers of thousands of drunken fans who often try to imitate the famous Mummerys strut.

Side Trips

There is certainly enough to see and do in Philadelphia to keep meeting participants and those accompanying them busy for many days. But there are also interesting and fun possibilities for short trips outside the city that can be tacked on before the meeting begins or after it ends.

For example, go over one of the many bridges into New Jersey and visit one of that state's beaches. (Philadelphians do not say they are going to the beach; they say they are going to the "shore.") For a touch of old-fashioned Americana, visit Cape May (and take the Cape May-Lewes ferry over to Lewes, DE, where I spent many of my summers as a child). For decadence, glitz, and gambling, head to Atlantic City, the east coast's version of Las Vegas, except there is a boardwalk and the Atlantic Ocean right outside the casinos' doors. Other popular beach towns are Wildwood, Ventnor, Ocean City, and a host of others.

If you prefer lakes and mountains to beaches, head north to the Poconos. Famous as a honeymoon destination – you can get a hotel room with a vibrating heart-shaped bed – this area, which is just 85 miles northwest of Philadelphia, is blessed with spectacular natural beauty. Lodges and resorts offering a wide range of outdoor recreational activities, including mountain hikes to lakes and waterfalls, are abundant and it is much less humid in the Poconos than at the Jersey shore in August.

Northeast of the city is Bucks County with lots of antique shops and a wonderful vineyard and winery, the Bucks County Vineyards and Winery. Not much farther along Rt. 202 is New Hope, which was founded as an artists' colony at the turn of the 20th century and remains today home to an estimated 100 studios and galleries (plus some great restaurants). If you plan to visit New Hope and Bucks County, it's worth taking a detour into Doylestown to visit the James A. Michener Museum and especially the Mercer Museum, Fonthill (Henry Mercer's home), and the Moravian Pottery and Tile Works, which Mercer founded in the late 1800s and which is still producing tiles using Mercer's methods today. (Children love the Mercer Museum because its five floors are literally crammed with all kinds of interesting everyday objects that Mercer collected over the years, including rather large pieces of equipment that hang from the walls and ceilings.)

Another great getaway from the city is northeast to Lancaster County, also known as "Amish Country." Lancaster is home to a large population of Mennonite and Amish people, who continue to follow their traditional religious practices, which prohibit them from using electricity or driving cars or even having buttons on their clothes. Many, though, are "reform" Mennonite and Amish, who use some modern conveniences, but still follow most of the religious traditions. Although much of this area has become horribly touristy with replicas of Amish farms and "pretend" Amish villages, the scenery is beautiful and there are sites where one can learn a great deal about Mennonite and Amish culture and traditions, including quilting, a traditional women's craft. There are also many "family style" restaurants that serve freshly baked breads and pies as well as just-picked fruits and vegetables.

All of these side trips can be done in a day or extended for several days, depending on your preference and schedule. In addition, Philadelphia is an excellent starting point for visiting other major east coast cities, such as Baltimore (2 hours by car or 1 hour by train); Washington, DC (3 hours by car or less than 2 hours by train); and the site of the 2006 SSSP meeting, New York (2 hours by car, about an hour by train).

And There's More

I have really only covered a handful of the many things for visitors to see and do in Philadelphia in the summertime. And I apologize to my fellow Philadelphians and near-Philadelphians if I've overlooked some of your favorites, including the new and highly acclaimed Liberty Museum, or a drive or bike ride along the Schuylkill River (especially at night when Boathouse Row is illuminated), or a visit to the Japanese Teahouse in Fairmount Park. Many more suggestions will be offered in materials you'll find in your registration packets once you arrive at the meeting. But if you wish to do more advance planning, I encourage you to pick up a guide book to the city at your local bookstore. The Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau (<http://www.pcvb.org/>) can also provide helpful suggestions for tours and side trips, and the city has recently launched a national advertising campaign to promote gay and lesbian tourism to the city.

Philadelphia used to be known as the "city of brotherly love," but during the last several years that rather sexist description has been replaced with the phrase, "the city that loves you back." Once you've visited Philadelphia, you'll no doubt agree that this new moniker is a fitting one.



SSSP REVIEW

Critical Essays and Commentary on Social Research

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This textbook covers four broad areas of community-based research (CBR). The first three chapters provide an overview of the history, principles and practices of CBR. The next two chapters focus on research and methods. The next two chapters describe CBR as a teaching tool. Finally, the last three chapters describe different models of organizing and managing CBR projects. It was written by five academics from different disciplines and a lot of community experience. It provides the principles and practices to be successful in incorporating CBR into higher education. This text offers examples to help academics incorporate CBR into academic settings-something that has been largely overlooked by other texts in this area. As such, I believe the text is a worthwhile resource in the library of any university-affiliated CBR researcher.

However, for many academics, like myself, who have engaged in CBR and recognize the benefits as well as the challenges, a text that provides an in-depth discussion of the principles and practices of CBR, as well as a practical discussion of overcoming the challenges associated with CBR, has been very much anticipated. However, what the book actually delivers is far less than what it promised. Therefore, I only give this text a modest recommendation.

The first chapter of the text provides an interesting historical overview of the development of university-community partnerships. It integrates discussions of the Hull House Project, Kurt Lewin's writings on action research and the principles of participatory research (including collaboration and the use of multiple sources of knowledge). The chapter ends by clearly stating that the goal of CBR is social action and social change, leading to social justice. While the first chapter sets the stage for the rest of the book and encourages the reader to read on, the remaining two chapters in this first section fall short of their goals. The second chapter describes some of the benefits of CBR in broad terms (advocating for the disadvantaged, democratic participation, and engaging policy makers are examples). It also provides a list of "ten principles of successful community-campus partnerships" (p. 29) that include sharing a world view, sharing power and remaining flexible. More nuanced discussions about why these principles are the most important principles to consider or how to operationalize these principles are missing. The practical examples that are offered are more useful. For example, a sample letter and set of questions are provided to help CBR practitioners get started. At this point in the text, however, I was left wanting more.

The next two chapters cover methodological principles and research practices. I was impressed that the notion of dissemination was addressed when it so often overlooked in other research methods texts. While the importance of dissemination was discussed, ways to accomplish this often arduous part of the action research plan needed a more developed discussion. In a similar fashion, the importance of multiple methods was noted, but the

discussion could have been expanded. This part of the text also offered a plan, but the plan was elementary at best. It included the steps: “choose a problem, identify resources/solutions, develop the plan, implement the plan, and evaluate the plan” (see pp. 85-94). Broad, surface discussions of each step were presented. The discussion of research practices was equally broad. The recommended steps were to identify a research question, choose a research design and method, collect data, analyze data and report results. The authors did address some important questions, such as who should own the data, and how should the data be analyzed and presented? (See p. 97). Some examples of real-life scenarios would have been helpful at this point.

The book never promises to be a substitute for a traditional research methods or program evaluation text. So it is not surprising that variables are not defined, research designs not outlined or various methodological epistemologies not discussed. However, a foundation from which to discuss the principles and practices of CBR (or any applied research in the community for that matter) is missing. Ways in which CBR is similar and different from more traditional research projects is needed. Discussing these differences would naturally lead to discussions of the challenges that are unique to working in applied settings, in a collaborative environment, with an attempt for people who possess varying degrees of societal power trying to share power, etc. Additionally, it may lead to discussions of cultural differences, including class and race privilege that often become sources of conflict and contention in CBR projects.

At this point in the text, I began to wonder who the intended audience really was. If the intended audience is academics (whether they have actually practiced CBR or are simply interested in incorporating CBR into their scholarship), the discussions begged to be more sophisticated. If the audience was intended to be a research novice without applied experience, this text may offer a nice overview, albeit rather simplified.

The third part of the text looks at CBR as a teaching strategy. As someone who attempts to incorporate CBR and other service learning techniques into my own classrooms on occasion, I was particularly interested in this section. The authors note that a successful service learning experience for students depends upon both the quality of placement and the integration with the course. They tell us how the course can provide a setting for students to examine the underlying economic, social and political arrangements (see p. 123). Again, I wanted to ask the authors, “How?” In most courses, the demands of the fieldwork take away valuable class time and the result is that either the fieldwork or the critical analyses suffer. Only in two-semester long, intensive fieldwork placements have I witnessed significant transformations of student consciousness. Rather than spending time explaining that students with few research skills should be given less responsibility in CBR projects than students with substantial skills, the authors could have offered suggestions for consciousness-raising.

Perhaps the best example of the text delivering less than I had anticipated was the initial discussion of potential career costs for faculty members on page 137. Because CBR requires an enormous time commitment and the outcomes are rarely in line with university goals for professors to publish or perish, the costs can be severe. Here, only a cursory mention was simply not enough.

The final section of the text was by far the best. These chapters focused on organizing and managing CBR projects. The authors presented various models for conducting CBR, included a discussion of the resources needed to make CBR feasible, and discussed ways that a campus-based center could mobilize resources. They provided good examples of complex CBR models, including the Edward Ginsberg Center for Community Service and Learning at the University of Michigan and Georgetown University’s Center for Social Justice Research, to name a few. They also provided examples of organizing for CBR at both small community colleges, such as the Mars Hill College and larger institutions, such as University of Pennsylvania. They also emphasized the importance of locating a CBR organizing structure in an academic unit that reports to a dean or provost rather than in a community relations office or another campus setting. In addition, they underscored the need for the CBR Center to be self-governing and to require a “real” line item in an institution’s budget in order to be successful. With this level of administrative commitment, the center can create the positions and programs needed to be successful.

In terms of managing CBR projects, the authors offer a list of questions to consider and provide graphic depictions of organizational structures and internal operating systems of specific CBR Centers. They discuss student roles, budget issues (again with specific examples) and faculty considerations. While more faculty considerations are discussed in these chapters than in previous ones, some important questions are still not addressed. For example, how to train novice faculty, how to convince academic units to value the work of CBR practitioners, how to lobby for real institutional reward and incentive systems, and how to convince classically trained researchers that CBR is scholarship and not service, are just some of the questions/challenges that are very crucial to the success of future CBR in academic settings.

In the final chapter, the authors had one last chance to address some of the issues that I was concerned about, but again, their coverage was cursory at best. In their look to the future, they included voices from a student, faculty member, community service provider, community member, funder, and college/university administrator. This diversity of perspectives was appreciated. However, my overall assessment of the text remained unchanged. The text's strengths were in its concrete examples and illustrations, providing insight into successful CBR projects within academic settings. Its limitations were in its cursory discussion of the many important issues that were raised.

Jennifer Dunn (2002) Courting Disaster: Intimate Stalking, Culture, and Criminal Justice. Aldine.

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There are fewer more compelling subjects in the criminal justice field than intimate stalking. Numerous studies have previously examined the legalistic nature of stalking and subsequent grounds for offender prosecution. Other studies examine stalking as a routine criminal event involving subsequent sexual molestation and violent behavior. The issue of stalking and the aftermath of such celebrated cases as the Rebecca Schaefer case in Los Angeles-wherein the actress was stalked and murdered by Robert Bardo-indicates much about the concern for the safety of women.

Dunn offers a view of stalking from inside the criminal justice system. A real strength of this study is derived from the field research conducted in a District Attorney's office. The analysis is derived through participant observation and interviews with office workers and victims. Most important, Dunn interviews members of a female survivors' stalking support group. The combination of both perspectives gives the reader a comprehensive view of the prosecutorial functions and the women directly affected by stalking and its violent impact.

Dunn manages to capture the perspective of prosecutorial personnel and the actual lived experience of intimate stalking. Development of the study is well structured with the criminal justice system as a starting point, followed by the experience of female victims, stalker victim reconciliation of self esteem following criminal exposure, cultural connotation of courtship and compliance, and the revictimization associated with courtroom procedures aimed at dispensing justice.

The theoretical underpinning of this study allows the reader to understand the dimensions and repercussions of intimate stalking. Dunn utilizes a symbolic interaction approach in formulating a constructionist perspective. The reader will find references to Sudnow, Goffman, Gertz, and Hughes, along with the generally expected literature on female victimization. There are transcripts taken from interviews and prosecutorial interrogations. The active voice permits direct reader entree into the world of the prosecutor, victim, and the process of dispensing justice.

The study consists of five chapters focusing on differing dimensions of intimate stalking. The first chapter examines stalking from the historical and cultural perspectives. The author offers the traditional literature from the theoretical and gender perspectives. There is effective citation of studies by Emir, Best, and Tjaden, and other noted

scholars. The latter part of the chapter documents the background of the study and background gathered from both the Prosecutors' office and a victim survivor group.

The second part of the study focuses on the mindset and "modus operandi" of stalkers. Victims document the threats and violence accompanying intimate stalking. Victims discuss the help-seeking process through which they deal with offenders. The constructionist approach is quite clear in this section as the reader learns about the criminal complications stemming from the courtship process.

The third section focuses directly upon how women deal with the victim identities imposed on them through circumstantial situations. One woman communicates with the judge regarding her current victim status and the possibility of further harm. The legal system is not consistent in recognizing the victims of stalking and dealing with their future needs. Emotion work and the issue of victim credibility becomes important in the presented analysis. Female victims often contradict their own legal offense through continued compliance with the stalker. Thus, the process of claims making and maintenance of credibility is often a serious dilemma in the lives of the women documented in this study. The perspectives presented here are both informative and disturbing. Females face revictimization at the hands of the criminal justice system after actually dealing with psychological and physical harm.

The next section deals with the cultural constructions of courtship and compliance. The reader is reacquainted with the classic studies compiled by Stanko and Gardner. Such information is the backdrop of a study of acquaintanceship and romance. The author concludes this section through the examination of romance from a cultural perspective. Hochschild's work is heavily referenced as the analysis turns to females and emotion work.

The last portion of the study refers back to courtroom processes and the adjudication of intimate stalking cases. We learn more about the issue of victimization and revictimization from the perspective of former intimates and the domestic abuse unit. Finally, the author offers some recommendations for victim advocacy and prosecution.

Overall, this is an interesting and informative study. Dunn has acquainted readers with the standard literature and utilized a variety of research measures (survey, participant observation, analysis of existent records, interviews) in documenting an analysis of intimate stalking perpetrators and victims. A strong point in favor of this study comes from the quotes from interviews with victims or courtroom testimony.

However, I do have some problems with this study. First, the study reads like a dissertation rather than a fully developed study. The notes following each chapter are capable of incorporation into the specific section. Such notes add limited information to the overall discussion.

Second, we really do not have enough focus on these interview subjects. Several women are interviewed but the voice of the victims could be clarified through more in-depth concentration on a select few subjects. Profiling a few female subjects would serve to clarify the career paths into intimate stalking and violence.

Third, there are two studies competing for the attention of the author. The first study deals with the criminal justice system and proper handling of stalking victims. The second study is the self-reaction of female stalking victims and the an interface with the criminal justice system. Stanko's previous studies, some cited in this study, were more powerfully focused through an understanding of the larger justice process. Dunn does not depict the same sense of organizational activity in the limited space provided for a similar discussion. Further, Dunn's reported results from a survey administered to female victims require more analysis. The reader needs to know the significance of the data analysis.

Overall, Dunn offers a good attempt at bringing together criminal justice operations, cultural issues, and the problems posed by intimate stalking. These disparate elements need more clarification than could be provided in this brief study. Dunn should consider future projects where the weaknesses could be remedied with elaborations on these various themes. Perhaps her starting point should be more focus on victimology and the consequences of falling into a syndrome of continued abuse.

We have come a long way in the understanding of stalking and victimization. Unfortunately, the contribution of scholars such as Dunn provide limited answers to questions surrounding female stalking victims.

John Lofland (2002; 1969) Deviance and Identity. With a new prologue by Joel Best. Eliot Werner Publications.

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The theoretical underpinning of sociological inquiry has historically run the gamut between functional inquiry and the intricacies of postmodern analysis. Much speculation about the social components of human behavior centers around human motivation and the categorization of socially constructed actions. The fundamental cognitive measure of human motivation invokes the distinction between normal and pathological behaviors. As Durkheim pointed out in the late stages of the 19th and early 20th centuries, deviance is a primary distinction utilized in substantiating normative roles through identifying the undesirable. But how does this process actually operate?

We have long extolled the important sociological efforts of Erving Goffman. The interactionist approach does incorporate a finitely complex view of deviance and society. There are many linkages between human behavior, motives and social conflict. Lofland's classic study of deviance and identity deserves praise for synthesizing a comprehensive basis of contemporary discussion surrounding relationships between interaction and conflict theory. Lofland also transcends the often attributed limitation of labeling theory. We are taken on an intellectual journey beyond the Goffmanesque microsociological components of situational interaction and interpretation. More importantly, this classic study of deviant behavior and normal identity is given an organizational context heretofore implicit but not entirely defined in prior theoretical works devoted to labeling theory.

The organization of Lofland's analysis is divided into several components reflective of identity development and conflict assumptions implicit within the imputation of the deviance process. Lofland begins this exquisite analysis with an overview specifying deviance as a type of social conflict. We have long discussed these notions in classroom lectures on social theory. The analysis presented here brings together our collective thoughts in setting the stage for an integrative analysis of deviant identity and its systematic development. This volume's organizational structure analyzes the dissent during the 1960s and attributes a political context to the nature of identity and normalcy. Thus, each succeeding section assumes a synthesis of interactional work in the creation of deviance and its social consequences.

We start with an understanding of the deviant act and the nature of threat. Conflict is assumed as a precipitating factor in the reactions between humans in a social world. Such deviant acts are encapsulated and categorized according to individual or group traits. The analysis continues with the notion of closure in which the facilitation of deviant identity is accomplished. We learn about the social milieu and components associated with the combination of subjective and objective criteria.

Lofland moves on to the next stage of identity development. Social identification and the compartmentalization of deviance are theorized as the next stage following the assumption of deviant behavior. The definitions of deviant identity are defined through the efforts of threats by groups engaged in maintaining normalcy according to their own value structure. Lofland's analysis takes a social psychological turn through the consideration of disorientation, affective bonds, and cognitive congruence. Facilitators of this new standard of social behavior and the individuals ostracized into marginalized status operate on the levels of structural and social modeling. Thus, deviant identity becomes an extension of the social norms endorsed by those with the power to enforce their individual organizational or personal agendas.

Pressure brought to bear on members inside and outside the agenda-setting organizations produce the inevitable definition of normative behavior. Role management results in the normalization of socialization through the hardened resolve against any outside influences. The most probable defense against change is characterized by the marginalization of competing values. Lofland places these processes into an analysis regarding the capacity for

change and the nature of Normal-Smiths.

Normal behavior is defined through escalation to identity by consideration of others and places. The object of normalcy is relative in accordance with the nature of the group and immediate social values. Acceptance is dependent upon the group's own normative values. Lofland's citation of Alcoholics Anonymous and their own normative behavior patterns is a case in point. Alcoholics Anonymous imposes a unique set of behavior expectations upon its members. Such values would be amorphous in the context of other groups. This distinction is a very 1960s approach to understanding the nexus of conflict between the establishment and new social movements.

Lofland concludes this portion of analysis on deviant identity behavior by demonstrating the drift from social labeling into individual processes. The role of the actor is highlighted in the process of self differentiation between one's own values and the role expectations of others. Thus, disorientation must be reconciled through the definition of affective bonds and the minimalization of differences between oneself and the immediate situation. Lofland brilliantly accomplishes this through considering cognitive congruence and the conflict within an individual's self and self-help moral heroism.

Lofland's concluding remarks place the entire analysis into the context of micro and macrosociological theory via an examination of social organizational development. We learn that identity and social needs are often paradoxical. Inevitably, one's true self must be understood as a mediated product stemming from the influence of society and one's own process of self evaluation.

Such conclusions may well assume the requisite needs of organizations in utilizing conflict to shape societal behavior. Individual identity formation as impacted from structural sources is a crucial element in the continuation of dominant social institutions. As Lofland states, human beings must make tough choices in dealing with the paradoxes of everyday life. The notion of freedom and individual choice is cloaked in ambiguity through a struggle between one's own natural choice and the expectations of social forces controlling the formulation of social normalcy.

In summation, Lofland has written a classic for the ages. We are grateful for the opportunity to reexamine this sociological gem in the context of the time period from which it was written. The importation of political values within the discussion of deviance and normative identity moves forward the intellectual work of Goffman and other interactional sociological theorists. We can readily apply Lofland's seminal ideas into a contemporary context. The American political battle between progressive and conservative forces is a case in point. There is a perpetual conflict in our own value stance on family, social identity issues such as participation or endorsement of polarizing issues such as same sex marriage, and choices in the context of supporting particular ideologies. We must understand human nature and the tendency toward conformity in order to fully appreciate the dichotomy between individuals and the norms shaped through institutional influence. Lofland has given us the guidebook to take us on that perplexing and never-ending journey.

**Deflem, Mathieu. (2002). Policing World Society: Historical Foundations of International Police Cooperation.
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When and why do police officials in one country decide to cooperate professionally with police officials in another country? More specifically, under what conditions do police agencies in multiple countries decide to cooperate with one another, and under what conditions is such cooperation sustainable? These are timely questions to ask in light of such things as the global "war on terror," the controversies surrounding international war crimes,

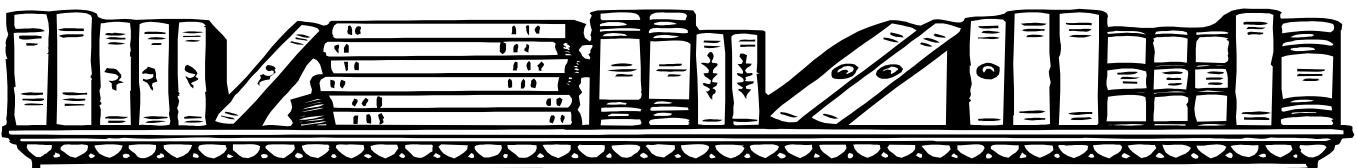
debates about the viability of an international criminal court, the “war on drugs”, and other issues relating to global society and “deviant” behavior. In this book, Mathieu Deflem has asked these questions, and he has provided a Weberian answer to them: historically, international police cooperation only occurred when police agencies achieved formal bureaucratic autonomy from their respective national governments, and only when such agencies were able successfully to construct an institutional myth that legitimated international police cooperation. Deflem, in other words, argues that international police cooperation has historically lived a life of its own, all but independent of the direction of economic elites, political elites, and even the normative concerns of societies.

Deflem makes his argument trenchantly, and he has meticulously assembled and analyzed an impressive array of primary and secondary materials in support of it. Deflem’s goal is to challenge the “naïve determinism” (p.32) of functionalist, state-centered and economic theories, and to show that international police cooperation did not emerge logically in response to the internationalization of crime (as a functionalist might have it) nor did it arise at the behest of economic elites intent on defending the free market from the “communist menace” (as an economic theorist might argue), nor was it the result of political leaders’ efforts to consolidate and expand their respective bases of power (state-centered theories). Instead, using a Weberian theoretical framework, Deflem argues that as police institutions became simultaneously more professionalized and bureaucratized, police officials in various countries sought cooperation with one another as a means of increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of their respective operations, even though such cooperation was often rejected and opposed by leaders in the political centers of their respective countries. Deflem’s data consist mostly of the minutes and proceedings from various meetings devoted to international police cooperation, and with these sources he is able to trace the development of such organizations and agreements as the Police Union of German States, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Secret Protocol for the International War on Anarchism, the International Agreement for the Suppression of White Slave Traffic, the International Police Conference, and, most importantly, the International Criminal Police Commission (which later became Interpol). The implications of Deflem’s argument about the relative autonomy of police organizations from their respective national governments are troubling because it means that there now exists a “global police culture” (p. 230) that could be an obstacle to humanity’s efforts to respond to global problems. For example, as Deflem points out near the end of the book, in the wake of September 11, “police institutions in the United States and Europe have been placing much emphasis on the efficiency of means to combat terrorism, rather than on an appropriate definition of terrorism” (ibid).

International police cooperation is, as Deflem notes several times, “a relatively new and unexplored field of scholarly attention” and his book is therefore a welcome and substantial contribution. But since the book is fairly narrowly pitched toward specialists in police studies and comparative history, one fears that Deflem has missed an opportunity to broaden the appeal and significance of his work. That is, while the book presents itself rather dryly as a Weberian analysis of international police cooperation from the mid-19th century to the end of World War II (the book began life as the author’s dissertation), there is another book contained within it that is perhaps more interesting, and certainly more widely relevant: a social constructionist analysis of how the problem of “international crime” was created in order to advance the professional interests of police officials in a variety of national contexts. For example, Deflem provides fascinating illustrations of how police officials from different countries struggled to achieve shared understandings and definitions of terms like “anarchism” and “white slavery” and “ordinary” vs. “political” crime, or argued over which language (e.g., French? Esperanto?) should be the “universal police language” (p. 103). In addition, Deflem shows how formidable obstacles to international police cooperation—e.g., ideological differences, conflicting territorial claims, language barriers—were often overcome through construction of a common enemy, such as when Mexico and the US agreed on a treaty in 1882 that allowed Mexican and US troops to cross each other’s borders in pursuit of ‘savage Indians’ (p. 81), or when “anti-Bolshevik arrangements” were “worked out between the German and Viennese police, [with] the common cause aided additionally by anti-Semitic sentiments” (116).

Although Deflem never cites W.I. Thomas (or any other social constructionist for that matter) he notes in his Conclusion and elsewhere that “international crime functioned as a professionally defined construct that was *real in its consequences* of expanding international police organization and facilities” (p. 222; emphasis added). As a comparative historian, Deflem focuses most of his attention on the consequences of these professional myths (i.e., the establishment of various international police organizations), but I personally hoped that he would further develop his social constructionist insights into how and why these professional myths were created and sustained in the first place. Had he done so, he might have been able to connect his analysis to larger questions about social problems in general (e.g., What are the implications of constructing a particular issue—like anarchism—as a “criminal” or “military” problem, as opposed to say, a “political” or “structural” problem? Under what conditions are police officials able to define a problem and claim “ownership” over it?), and to questions about globalization (e.g., if international police cooperation was accomplished in the past despite the absence of “real” international norms and legal frameworks, to what extent and by whom is a global normative culture being constructed today, and what implications might this have for international police cooperation?). Deflem, in other words, limits himself rather modestly to a history of international police cooperation, when in fact his data and analysis bear on the larger issue of the collective construction of deviance on a global scale. His narrow focus, unfortunately, prevents him from engaging the vast literature on the social construction of social problems, even while he appears to draw substantially on its insights.

Deflem’s book is to be commended for enhancing our critical understanding of globalization by identifying and analyzing a global trend that began well over a century ago. Still, when considering the contemporary global scene, one is struck less by the power and international cooperation of police bureaucracies (indeed, the failures of international intelligence agencies to predict and/or prevent September 11th, the scandals over faulty and/or fraudulent intelligence sharing on Iraqi WMD and weapons procurement, and the mistaken arrest of an American Muslim for the Madrid bombing, all seem to testify to the *disorganization* and *lack* of effective cooperation among such bureaucracies), than by the competing efforts to construct reality and achieve a mutual “definition of the situation” with regard to global problems like terrorism, weapons proliferation, East/West conflict, religious fundamentalism, etc. In fact, whereas Deflem focuses on how international police cooperation was historically driven by Weberian processes of bureaucratization and rationalization, a case can be made that the current approach to global security problems, at least here in the U.S., is dominated by a “neo-conservative” worldview that is in many ways anti-rational, anti-Enlightenment, and in some cases even in violation of international legal standards. So while Deflem apparently laments the fact that a problem like terrorism is being defined as an international “criminal” problem by international police agencies like Interpol, one wonders whether such a construction might not be an improvement over the prevailing one that defines terrorism as a problem requiring a unilateral military solution.



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BLOWBACK: THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS SOLUTIONS

Our world is crowded with activists – progressives, conservatives, libertarians, socialists, pragmatists, wise women, and fools – who present favored nostrums for how the world can become a better place and how intractable problems can be ameliorated. By necessity, when facing these challenges, we make assessments about what the future will be like under a set of conditions. We create a sociology of the future – sometimes incisive, sometimes wrong, and often incomplete. People extrapolate, theorize, and draw on their experiences. We link understandings of the past and present with beliefs about how situations change. Again and again we are surprised by the outcomes that our policies take. It is our responsibility to consider the unexpected and latent effects of our decisions – whether about war, economic policy, health care, or moral matters.

Here, meeting in Philadelphia, the site of one of the greatest social experiments – the creation of the American polity - we recognize that this noble experiment produced outcomes that could have been little imagined in Independence Hall. However, surprising consequences appear in large and small packages. Today we discover many and complex reverberations of decisions leading to War in Iraq, Gay Marriage, Affirmative Action, Stem-cell Research, Increasingly Punitive Drug Policies, Liberalized Divorces, and Anti-Terrorism policy. As scholars and as activists, we are obliged to analyze these effects, just as we have an obligation to point to the problems for which solutions were proposed. Social problems are chained in webs of consequences.

In 1936 our great sociologist Robert Merton recognized that purposive action had unanticipated consequences. It is my challenge to the Society to stand on the shoulders of this giant to extend his vision and to proclaim his clarion call. Sometimes progressive solutions produce regressive effects, and on occasion regressive solutions may produce beneficial outcomes. The dynamics of social problems does not end when a law is passed, a ruling is made, or a proclamation announced.

In choosing this topic, I am consciously returning to the creative insight of our great founder C. Wright Mills, who saw in the *sociological imagination* the obligation to explore the taken-for-granted truisms that are often passed off as eternal verities. Mills knew that our position as sociologists required that we strip away certainties – seeing the complexity of relations between individuals and social forces, and between present and future. The world is too wondrously complex for simple answers and facile solutions.

Let us gather together in Philadelphia and describe the ways in which the social world has surprised, fooled, disturbed, and inspired us. The reality that the future is often a dark glass, must not mean that we should not peer through its part opaque surface as diligently as we can.

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CONFLICT, SOCIAL ACTION, AND CHANGE

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Session II: Higher Education after 9/11: Homeland Security in the University Curriculum - THEMATIC

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Session III: Chronic Illness and Disabilities

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Session III: The Racial Consequences of Criminalizing Social Problems: Drugs, Homelessness and Poverty - THEMATIC

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Call for Papers

***Journal of Contemporary Ethnography:* Special Issue on Social Constructionism and Social Inequality**

The *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* announces a call for papers for a special issue on "social constructionism and social inequality." We welcome papers that use qualitative, interpretive methods to study how putative inequalities are defined, framed, narrated, and/or symbolically enacted in diverse ways. Any social justice topic can be explored; however, papers should examine "equality," "inequality," "domination," "exploitation," "superiority," and similar issues *primarily (if not exclusively) from the viewpoints of social actors* rather than analysts. We also invite theoretical statements on the use, risks, and/or benefits of constructionist approaches to studying inequality, as long as the ethnographic implications are explicit and clear. Papers may be grounded in a number of interpretive frameworks, such as phenomenology, ethnomethodology, interactionism, narrative analysis, and others.

If you are unsure whether your topic or research is suitable, or are interested in reviewing for this issue, contact the Special Issue Editor, Scott Harris, via e-mail at Harriss3@slu.edu or phone at (314)-977-2190. All papers will be peer reviewed. The deadline for submissions is **June 1, 2005**. Papers are scheduled to appear in the June 2006 issue.

We prefer electronic submission of manuscripts via e-mail attachment to Harriss3@slu.edu. Those without e-mail access should send four hard copies and an electronic copy on disk to Scott R. Harris, Department of Sociology & Criminal Justice, Saint Louis University, 3500 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63103.

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Trading Justice: NAFTA's New Links and Conflicts Call for Papers

The Center for Research on Women and the Benjamin L. Hooks Institute for Social Change at the University of Memphis invite proposals for papers to be delivered March 24-26, 2005 at a multidisciplinary, international symposium on the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). The symposium will be held at the Fogelman Executive Center on the campus of the University of Memphis.

Proposals that address social inequality and social justice activism, both locally within NAFTA's signatory countries and across borders, are particularly encouraged. Appropriate topics include, but are not limited to, labor activism and worker-to-worker exchanges, local community impacts and civic engagement, the environmental consequences of NAFTA, gender and im/migration, citizenship and racial/ethnic identities, and transnational communities. Papers that include descriptions of specific research experiences and methodological concerns from projects examining NAFTA's effects during the past decade are especially welcome. Scholarship that explores the future development and possible implications of the NAFTA corridor (I-69, for which Memphis, Tennessee lies at the mid-point) is also of interest.

Interested scholars and activists/practitioners should submit a proposal of approximately 500 words (excluding references) that summarizes their topic, methods of investigation and conclusions. A brief biographical statement and full contact information should also be included. To ensure consideration, proposals must be received by November 1, 2004, at the address below:

**NAFTA Symposium
Center for Research on Women
The University of Memphis
Clement Hall 337
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Authors will be notified of the results of their submission by December 15, 2004. Food and lodging expenses at the symposium will be covered for authors of successful proposals. Limited travel assistance is also available, with priority given to participants from Mexico, Canada and other locations outside of the United States.



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May 18-20, 2005

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Conference Objectives

The purpose of this conference is to provide participants with a multidisciplinary approach to programs and resources for developing resilient youth. Included in the conference program will be treatment approaches, service coordination, interventions, prevention programs, and protocol development from programs across the country.

Audience

The conference is designed for anyone who works with youth including professionals from criminal justice; law enforcement; human service organizations; medical and health services; educational field; mental health; addiction treatment; clergy and church groups; researchers; and universities.

Keynote:

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CALL FOR PARTICIPATION
Seventh Annual Conference
JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION
University of Hartford, CT
June 2-4 2005

WHAT?

Members of the Justice Studies Association are pleased to announce a call for participation for their seventh annual conference scheduled for Thursday, June 2 to Saturday, June 4 at the University of Hartford. The theme of the 2005 conference is *The Birth of a New World: Creating Justice-For-All, Sustainable Communities*.

Participants are invited to make presentations on any topic dealing with communities, justice systems, families, schools, and workplaces of the future--a world in which the needs of all are met. Presentations might focus on:

- (1) the human community's re-orienting itself to a healthful relationship with the environment and natural world;
- (2) gender, class, race, globalization, and crime;
- (3) marginalization and the transformation of corporate-transnational and nation-state policies;
- (4) sustainable agriculture, sustainable development, and communities of resistance;
- (5) critiques of the corporate media and social sciences (criminology, sociology, psychology) for masking the most devastating forms of violence to social life, and assisting in the repression of human consciousness and speech; and
- (6) restorative justice, peaceful conflict resolution programs, sustainable indigenous economies, enjoyable work, alternative family and living arrangements in just communities.

WHERE?

The conference will be held at the University of Hartford. The rate for room, breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack is \$85 per day. Registration fee before April 15th is: \$90 for members (\$120 after); \$100 for non-members (\$130 after); \$60 for full-time students (\$65 after). This includes coffee/tea breaks, evening social gatherings, and Friday's keynote luncheon.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS?

Each conference has an opening and luncheon keynote speaker. These have included: Arundhati Roy, Noam Chomsky; Deborah Prothrow-Stith; David Gil; Daniel Berrigan, and Pat Humphries and Sandy Opatow.

AWARDS?

Each year the association presents its Noam Chomsky Award and JSA Social Activist Award.

ACTIVIST CAFÉ?

At one session a panel of activists from our host city addresses what the key justice concerns in that city are and what they are doing to make things better.

HOW?

Those wishing to make a presentation at the conference should send a title/abstract of circa 200 words to Dennis Sullivan, 2005 Program Chair, E-mail: gezellig@global2000.net before January 31, 2005. For more information on JSA or how to register, contact program chair or association president, Dan Okada (dokada@csus.edu) or log on at www.justicestudies.org

CALL FOR PAPERS

Special issues of Marriage and Family Review on Families and Public Policy: U.S. and International Experiences - co-edited by Linda Haas and Steven Wisensale. The purpose is to put together a collection of cutting edge research articles on family policy that will be of interest and use to students, researchers, professionals, policymakers, and journalists interested in gaining a better understanding of how the well-being of families is influenced by the political process. "Cutting edge" articles present new data, analyze existing data from new theoretical perspectives, or analyze policies or problems that have been previously underresearched. To pragmatically solve social problems concerning families, a strong research base is needed. Topics should reflect issues of contemporary social concern and can include but are not limited to: changing demographics and its effects on families (e.g., aging), partnership formation, parenting, economic welfare, family dissolution, family health and well-being (e.g., domestic violence), and integration of work and family responsibilities. Families of all types will be covered, including two-parent, single-parent, gay/lesbian, and childless families; a strong effort will be made to include research on families at all levels of socioeconomic status and stages of the life cycle, and from varied racial and ethnic backgrounds, including immigrant families. Articles may analyze the impact of particular existing government policies on families, or may describe a problem that families commonly have that could be alleviated by social policy, accompanied by a set of policy recommendations designed to attack the causes of the problem. Papers for the international section may address family policy in one society or culture, or may look at a policy issue across several societal contexts; authors must approach a policy topic from a comparative or international perspective. The articles will first be published in two sets of articles, one with a U.S. focus and another with an international focus; a selection of articles will then be published as a book useful for scholars and advanced undergraduate/graduate students. Manuscripts should be no longer than 35 pages and must be written using the APA 4th Edition format for section titles, in-text citations, and references. No more than four authors can be listed on a single paper. **PAPERS MUST BE SENT VIA AN EMAIL ATTACHMENT TO:** Linda Haas at lhaas@iupui.edu. Please put figures, models, and graphs in separate files. Deadline for the U.S. papers is March 1, 2005; for the International papers the deadline is May 1, 2005.



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The Department of Sociology at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) invites applications and nominations for the position of Head.

Located in downtown Chicago, UIC is a Carnegie Doctoral / Research – Extensive University with 16,012 undergraduate and 9,216 graduate and professional students. The Department of Sociology has a diverse and active faculty of 19 members. The department offers the BA, MA, and Ph.D degrees. It has special teaching and research emphases in the areas of health & medicine; work, labor markets and organizations; race, ethnicity & gender; and international/comparative/Asian societies. The department is well integrated with other units on campus and includes faculty who are jointly appointed with the Institute of Government and Public Affairs, the Department of African-American Studies, the Program in Latin-American and Latino Studies, the School of Public Health, etc.

The Department Head is the chief administrative officer with responsibilities for the instructional programs of the department; administrative, budgetary, and promotion decisions; and for providing leadership in the development of research, teaching, and public service. Candidates should present evidence of successful administrative performance and the ability to operate effectively in a collegial environment. In addition, candidates should be strong teachers and nationally known scholars who have well-documented research records and continuing research agendas. The field of research and teaching specialization is open. Candidates must be qualified for appointment at the rank of full professor with tenure. The position is available as of August 16, 2005.

Applications should be received by December 15, 2004 for full consideration; however, the search will continue until the position is filled. Applications should include a full curriculum vitae; a letter of application; and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three academic references. Applications and nominations should be addressed to:

Professors Doris Graber and Susan Levine, Co-Chairs
Search Committee for the Head of Sociology
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PUBLICATIONS

Ronald Berger and Richard Quinney (eds.), *Storytelling Sociology: Narrative as Social Inquiry*, Lynne Rienner Publishers.

Ronald Berger, Marvin Free, and Patricia Searles, *Crime, Justice, and Society: An Introduction to Criminology*, 2nd ed., Lynne Rienner Publishers.

2004 STUDENT PAPER COMPETITIONS AND OUTSTANDING SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

(sponsored by the Special Problems Divisions of the Society for the Study of Social Problems)

COMMUNITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

1st Place: Winner to be announced

CONFLICT, SOCIAL ACTION, AND CHANGE DIVISION

1st Place: "Globalizing Resistance: Slow Food and New Local Imaginaries," Marie Sarita Gaytan, University of California, Santa Cruz

CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY DIVISION-SCHOLAR BOOK AWARD

1st Place: Winner to be announced

CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY DIVISION-STUDENT PAPER AWARD

1st Place: "Bridging or Bonding Social Capital as an Antidote to Crime: The Case of American Religious Traditions," Kraig Beyerlein and John R. Hipp, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

DRINKING AND DRUGS DIVISION

1st Place: "Taking the High Road: A Qualitative Analysis of the Passage and Implementation of California's Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act of 2000," Glenda Kelmles, University of California, Irvine

Honorable Mention: "Religious Involvement and the Social Distribution of Alcohol Problems in the Transition to Adulthood," A. Henry Eliassen, Florida State University

Junior Scholar Award: Ricky Bluthenthal, Rand Corporation

EDUCATIONAL PROBLEMS DIVISION

1st Place: "Rethinking the Mission of Academic Mentor Programs in Higher Education," Buffy Smith, University of Wisconsin, Madison

ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

1st Place: "Exposure Matters: Examining the Physical and Mental Health Impacts of Toxic Contamination Using GIS and Survey Data," Christine A. Bevc, University of Central Florida

2nd Place: "Silver, Ecology, and the Origins of the Modern World, 1450-1640," Jason W. Moore, University of California, Berkeley

FAMILY DIVISION

1st Place: "New Queers on the Block: Polyamorous Families," Elisabeth Sheff, University of Colorado, Boulder

2nd Place: "Kith or Kin? Intersectional Friendship as Chosen Family," Anna Muraco, University of California, Davis

3rd Place: "The Division of Household Labor in Adoptive Households: More Traditional or More Egalitarian?" Laura Hamilton, Indiana University

HEALTH, HEALTH POLICY, AND HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION

1st Place: "How Does Childhood Physical Abuse Negatively Impact Adult Health? Testing a Multi-pathway Model," Kristen Springer, University of Wisconsin

Honorable Mention: "Framing as a Cultural Resource in Health Social Movements: Funding Activism and the Breast Cancer Movement in the U.S. 1990-1993," Emily Kolker, Brandeis University

Honorable Mention: "Who are the Experts? Medicalization in Teen Magazine Advice Columns," Janice McCabe, Indiana University

LABOR STUDIES DIVISION-BRAVERMAN AWARD

1st Place Co-Winner: "Communities Fight Back: Neoliberalism, Living Wage Ordinances, and Organized Labor, 1994-2002," Michael J. Mulcahy and Mary Nell Trautner, University of Arizona

1st Place Co-Winner: "Managing Time in Domestic Space: Home-based Contractors and Household Work," Debra Osnowitz, Brandeis University

Honorable Mention: "Sticking It Out or Packing It In?: Organizer Retention in the New Labor Movement," Daisy Rooks, University of California, Los Angeles

LAW AND SOCIETY DIVISION-ALFRED R. LINDESMITH AWARD

1st Place: "Legitimacy Crises and Educational Rankings: The Case of Legal Education," Michael Sauder, Northwestern University

Honorable Mention: "'Their Blood Shall Be Upon Them': Homosexual Advance of the Mitigation of Homicide in Provocation Jurisprudence," Michael Smyth, University of California, Irvine

MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION

1st Place: Winner to be announced

POVERTY, CLASS, AND INEQUALITY DIVISION-MICHAEL HARRINGTON DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD

1st Place: Jon Shefner, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITIES DIVISION

1st Place: "Group Threat, Contact, and Prejudice: Knowing (Most) Minorities is Half the Battle of Overcoming Prejudice," Jeffrey C. Dixon, Indiana University

SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, POLITICS, AND COMMUNITIES DIVISION

1st Place: "Building a Community: The Howard Brown Memorial Clinic and the Chicago Gay Community, 1974-1982," Catherine Batza, University of Illinois, Chicago

SOCIAL PROBLEMS THEORY DIVISION

1st Place: "Vulnerability and Convergence in the World Trade Center Disaster: Social Management of People-Types in Crisis," Jeanette N. Sutton, University of Colorado

2nd Place: "Conceptualizing World Environmental History: The Contribution of Immanuel Wallerstein," Jason W. Moore, University of California, Berkeley

SOCIOLOGY AND SOCIAL WELFARE DIVISION

1st Place: "Social Welfare Policy: A Canada-U.S. Comparison from the Perspective of Hotel Employees in Vancouver, BC and Seattle, WA," Dan Zuberi, Harvard University

2nd Place: "Exploring the Effects of State Welfare Policy Regimes on Poverty Concentration in Metropolitan Areas," Jackie M. Cutsinger, Wayne State University

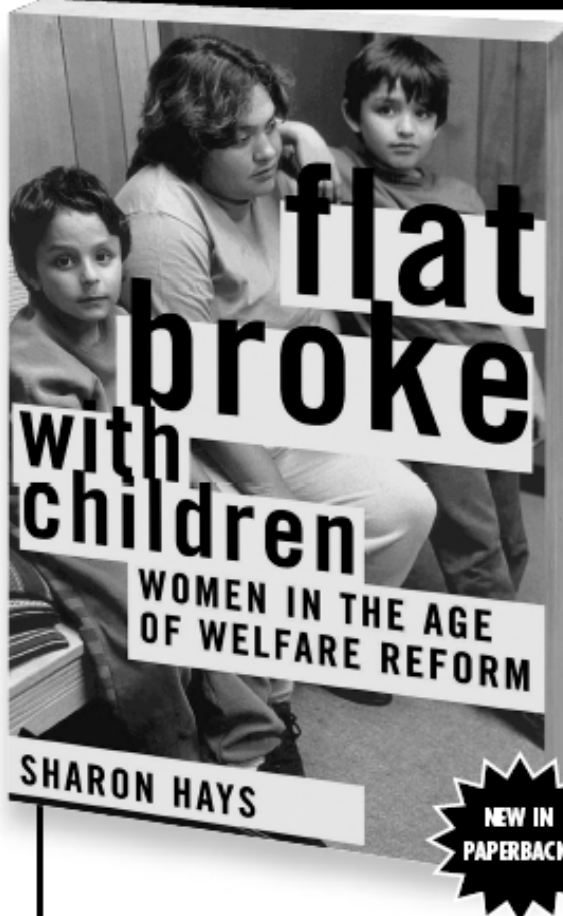
TEACHING SOCIAL PROBLEMS DIVISION

1st Place: "Bringing the Rural Back In: A Call to Expand an Urban-Centric Understanding of Poverty," Karen Albright, New York University

YOUTH, AGING, AND THE LIFE COURSE DIVISION

1st Place: "Under the Knife and Proud of it: An Analysis of the Normalization of Cosmetic Surgery" Abigail Brooks, Boston College

2003 Winner of the C. Wright Mills Award



“With President Bush pushing for more hours in the required workweek, the timing couldn’t be better for *Flat Broke With Children*; Hays’s detailed, judicious survey of the reforms punctures mythology on all sides of the debate.”

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—William Julius Wilson,
Harvard University

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—Barbara Ehrenreich, author of *Nickel and Dimed: On Not Getting By In America*

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

2004 C. WRIGHT MILLS AWARD

Nominations are now open for the 2004 C. Wright Mills Award. **Members of the society are encouraged to submit letters of nomination for this prestigious annual award.** Edited volumes and textbooks are not eligible.

The C. Wright Mills Award, established in 1964, is made annually and carries with it a stipend of \$500 for the author(s) of the winning book. **The deadline for the 2004 award nominations is January 15, 2005.** The 2004 award will be presented at the 55th Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, August 12-14, 2005.

C. Wright Mills wrote in *The Power Elite* that: "Only when mind has an autonomous basis, independent of power, but powerfully related to it, can mind exert its force in the shaping of human affairs. This is democratically possible only when there exists a free and knowledgeable public, to which [people] of knowledge may address themselves, and to which [people] of power are truly responsible." Consistent with Mills' dedication to a search for a sophisticated understanding of the individual and society, the award will be given for that book published in 2004 that most effectively:

- 1) critically addresses an issue of contemporary public importance,
- 2) brings to the topic a fresh, imaginative perspective,
- 3) advances social scientific understanding of the topic,
- 4) displays a theoretically informed view and empirical orientation,
- 5) evinces quality in style of writing,
- 6) explicitly or implicitly contains implications for courses of action.

Please submit nominations to:

Professor Wendy Simonds, Chair
C. Wright Mills Award Committee
Department of Sociology
Georgia State University
PO Box 5020
Atlanta, GA 30302-5020
Work: (404) 651-1841; Fax: (404) 651-1712
Email: wsimonds@gsu.edu

For further information, contact:

Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer
Work: (865) 689-1531; Fax: (865) 689-1534; Email: mkoontz3@utk.edu

TRAVEL FUNDS AVAILABLE

The Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund Committee announces funds available for Foreign Scholar-Activists to participate in the 2005 Annual Meeting, August 12-14, Philadelphia, PA.

The Society for the Study Social Problems established the Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund to help bring foreign scholar-activists to the Annual Meeting. The specific purpose is to facilitate scholarly participation by persons engaged in labor, gender, racial-ethnic, third world and other struggles. More generally, the purpose of this fund is to foster cooperative relations among persons and organizations engaged in applying sociological findings to confront social problems and create social change. Consistent with past practice, some preference may be given to applicants from developing, Third World countries where access to foreign exchange is often more limited.

Application (see next page) should be sent no later than March 15, 2005 to:

Celeste Watkins
Department of Sociology, Northwestern University
1810 Chicago Avenue
Evanston, IL 60208-1330
W: 847-491-4805; F: 847-491-9907; Email: C-WATKINS@NORTHWESTERN.EDU

Other Committee Members:
Susan Caringella-MacDonald, Western Michigan University
Mark F. Peyrot, Loyola College

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The Lee Student Support Fund Committee announces: funds available for Undergraduate and Graduate Students to participate in the 2005 Annual Meeting, August 12-14, Philadelphia, PA.

In recognition of Al Lee's commitment to social justice and his history of critical contributions to the Society for the Study of Social Problems, SSSP established the Lee Student Support Fund to facilitate conference participation by undergraduate and graduate students. For the 2005 Annual Meeting, the fund has resources which it can allocate in order to help defray the costs of meeting participation for those in need of financial assistance.

The applications will be reviewed by the committee charged with determining the amount and allocation of the awards. In making its decision, the committee may recognize among other factors, the Society's commitment to diversity, to a tradition of scholar-activism, and to interdisciplinary work.

Application (see next page) should be sent no later than March 15, 2005 to:

Joya Misra
SADRI, Machmer Hall, 240 Hicks Way
University of Massachusetts
Amherst, MA 01003
W: 413-545-5969; F: 413-545-0746; Email: MISRA@SOC.UMASS.EDU

Other Committee Members:
James Gruber, University of Michigan
Jane McLeod, Indiana University

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

2005 LEE FOUNDERS AWARD

Nominations are now open for the 2005 Lee Founders Award. **Members of the Society are urged to submit the names of nominees.**

Established in 1981, this award is made in recognition of significant achievements that, over a distinguished career, have demonstrated continuing devotion to the ideals of the founders of the Society and especially to the humanist tradition of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee.

The 2005 award will be presented at the 55th Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, August 12-14, 2005. Nominations and supporting documents should be sent no later than April 15, 2005 to:

Dr. Marjorie DeVault
Department of Sociology, Syracuse University
Syracuse, NY 13244-1090
W: (315) 443-4030; F: (315) 443-4597; mdevault@maxwell.syr.edu

PREVIOUS WINNERS INCLUDE

2004	Mary A. Romero, Arizona State University
2003	Walda Katz-Fishman, Howard University and Project South: Institute for the Elimination of Poverty & Genocide Jerome Scott, Project South: Institute for the Elimination of Poverty & Genocide
2002	Thomas J. Scheff, University of California, Santa Barbara
2001	Valerie Jenness, University of California, Irvine
2000	Beth B. Hess, County College of Morris Norma Williams, University of Texas at Arlington
1999	Gary L. Albrecht, University of Illinois, Chicago
1998	John I. Kitsuse, University of California, Santa Cruz
1997	Irwin Deutscher, University of Akron
1996	No Winner Chosen
1995	Gideon Sjoberg, University of Texas
1994	Joyce A. Ladner, Howard University
1993	Irving Kenneth Zola, Brandeis University
1992	Marvin B. Sussman, University of Delaware
1991	Richard Cloward, Columbia University Francis Fox Piven, CUNY, Graduate Center
1990	Louis Kriesberg, Syracuse University
1989	Arlene Kaplan Daniels, Northwestern University
1988	James E. Blackwell, University of Massachusetts, Boston
1987	John Useem, SSSP Life Member Ruth Hill Useem, SSSP Life Member
1986	Jessie Bernard, Pennsylvania State University
1985	Butler Jones, Cleveland State University
1984	Elliot Liebow, National Institute of Mental Health
1983	Charles V. Willie, Harvard University
1982	S. M. Miller, Boston University Joan Moore, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

CRITERIA FOR THE LEE FOUNDERS AWARD

1. The nominee must have been an active member of the Society for some years prior to receiving the award.
2. The nominee must have made significant achievements embodying the ideals of the founders of the Society. These achievements may be in the areas of scholarly research, teaching, or service leading to the betterment of human life. Nominees for the award must have demonstrated a commitment to social action programs that promote social justice.
3. The nominee's achievements should reflect the humanistic tradition of sociology, as exemplified in the contributions of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee, for whom the award is named.
4. The nominee's achievements may be expressed in a body of work that provides understanding and insight for practical application and the development of social conflict, including one or more of the following.
 - a. Studies of peace and war, ethnic and/or racial conflict, and social movements.
 - b. The role of mass media as related to social problems.
 - c. The role of propaganda in the creation of and the persistence of social problems.
 - d. The systematic study of social inequality (for example, problems of poverty, discrimination, racism, sexism and unequal distribution of wealth).
5. The achievements should include substantial community service at the local, state and/or national level.
6. It is assumed that the above achievements will have been accomplished by the nominees over a distinguished career and that they will reflect a long-term commitment to the ideals of the Lees.

GUIDELINES

1. Any member of the Society may nominate one or more persons for the award. Members of the Lee Founders Award Committee are encouraged to nominate.
2. All nominations must be accompanied by supporting evidence sufficiently detailed for the committee to render a decision (e.g. a resume; additional supporting description of the nominee's work, demonstrating that the contributions meet the criteria for nomination). Please include supporting information not covered in a resume. List names of colleagues who would be willing and able to write supporting letters upon the request of the committee or include letters of support with your nomination.

Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund or the Lee Student Support Fund Application

APPLICATION DEADLINE--MARCH 15, 2005

(Applications postmarked/faxed after March 15 are ineligible for consideration.)

Please indicate which fund you are requesting assistance from: (You can only choose ONE. If you are an undergraduate or graduate student, you must apply for the Lee Student Support Fund.) All applicants must be current members when applying for assistance.

_____ Lee Student Support Fund (In order to be considered, you must provide a photocopy of your current student ID.)

_____ Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund (In what way do you consider yourself to be a scholar-activist? Please respond briefly, in 2-3 sentences.)

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Current Mailing Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State & Zip Code)

Phone: _____ Email: _____
(include area code & country code when applicable) (Home) (Work)

Address where you can be reached after the May 15 announcement date:

(Street) (City) (State & Zip Code)

Please indicate how you plan to travel to the meeting: _____
SSSP will support estimated air coach fare; auto travel at \$.35/mile; and travel by bus or train **ONLY**.

Please provide a breakdown of your anticipated costs to attend the meeting. Registration fees and dues will not be funded, and not all of the expenses for attending the meeting can be paid from these funds. SSSP strongly suggests that other sources of funds be sought to supplement your participation. Pre-registration for the meeting must be paid before funds will be disbursed to the applicant. Persons unable to attend the meetings **MUST** return all monies to SSSP.

Travel Cost: _____
The committee will use the lowest available fare as the basis for its estimates of travel costs.

Room Cost: _____
SSSP will support a shared room (roommate matching service will be available). Our room rate is: \$119 plus 14% tax per night. Exceptions will be made if extraordinary personal circumstances justify an individual room.

Meal Cost: _____
SSSP will support up to \$15 US/per day.

Grand Total: _____

State your planned contributions to the meeting. **ONLY** members who have been accepted for program participation will be considered.

**Applicants will receive an email confirming the receipt of their application.
If you do *not* receive an email within two weeks of submitting your application, please contact the chair.**

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

2005 RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITY GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are being accepted for the 2005 Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship. Members of the Society should urge qualified candidates to apply for this award. **The deadline for applications is February 1, 2005 (receipt date).** Applicants will be notified of the results by July 15, 2005. **All applicants must be current members when applying.**

The Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), in keeping with its philosophy of active engagement with social problems, participation in social problem solutions, and advancement of knowledge through study, service and critical analysis, established the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship at its annual meeting in August 1993.

SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE

- To identify and support developing minority scholars who exemplify and give fresh voice to the SSSP history and commitment to scholar activism
- To give renewed energy and wider lenses to diversity in scholarship
- To increase the pool of minority social and behavioral scientists
- To establish a formal commitment to diversity through support of a minority doctoral student in the social and/or behavioral sciences inclusive of course work or dissertation research support who demonstrates a commitment, through his or her scholarly examination, of any aspect of inequality, injustice and oppression

SELECTION CRITERIA

- A person accepted into an accredited doctoral program in any one of the social and/or behavioral sciences so as to expand their perspectives in the pursuit and investigations into social problems
- A grade point average or equivalent of at least 3.25
- Evidence, through scholarly work and/or commitment to a career of scholar activism as demonstrated by: course work and research, activism in school and/or community and career plans—Advanced graduate students preferred.
- Statement of financial need as expressed by the applicant and Graduate Program Director or Advisor
- Applicant should be a citizen of the United States

FUNDING

A \$10,000 scholarship will be funded to one student with an additional \$500 awarded for attendance at the annual meeting. Payments will be made in equal installments in September 2005 and January 2006. SSSP believes that the support of students will foster the commitment required to enable the student to fund living arrangements as well as academic or research costs.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF RECIPIENT

- Attend the annual meeting to receive the award
- Submit a brief final report (3 pages maximum) on the work sponsored through the award, at the end of the award year
- Following year, present work (described above) at an appropriate division session. A \$500 stipend will be available to each winner for this purpose.
- Following year serve on the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship Committee and attend the scheduled meeting of the committee

STUDENT APPLICATION PROCESS

Complete application packets should be sent to the SSSP Executive Office. **Incomplete packets will not be reviewed.** Each packet must include the following:

- 1) Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship Application;
- 2) an Official Transcript with seal from the student's Graduate Program Registrar;
- 3) Resume or Curriculum Vitae;
- 4) Three letters of recommendation addressing the student's work and progress in program, including one from the Graduate Program Director or Advisor (The letter from the Graduate Program Director or Advisor should address the financial need of the applicant. Each letter should be placed in a sealed envelope with author's signature over the seal. **Letters not included in the packet will not be accepted.**);
- 5) Personal statement of commitment to a career of scholar activism;
- 6) If the scholarship request is in support of dissertation research, the applicant must provide a statement of the proposed research.

Contact Lorna Rivera, Chair, Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship Committee with all questions (28 Bexley Road, #2, Roslindale, MA, 02131; W: 617-287-7388; F: 617-287-7274; lorna.rivera@umb.edu).

Visit www.sssp1.org for an application. Complete application packets should be sent to:

**The Society for the Study of Social Problems
University of Tennessee, 901 McClung Tower
Knoxville, TN 37996-0490
W: 865-689-1531; F: 865-689-1534; sssp@utk.edu**

RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITY GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 1, 2005 (RECEIPT DATE)
All applicants must be current members when applying.

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Current Mailing Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State & Zip Code)

Phone: _____
(Home) (Work)

Social Security #: _____ Email Address: _____

Address where you can be reached after the announcement date:

(Street) (City) (State & Zip Code)

Sex (Circle One): Male Female Date of Birth: _____

Racial/Ethnic Identification as used in the U.S. Census: (Applicant should be a citizen of the United States.)

Black or African American _____ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander _____
Hispanic or Latino _____ American Indian or Alaska Native _____
Asian _____

Marital Status (Circle One): Single Married Divorced Widowed Separated

Number & Age of Dependent Children: _____

Do you have a physical or mental impairment that limits your activities? (Circle One) Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

Your Current Educational Status:
Degree Program: _____ Year in Degree Program: _____

Your Education Background:

Institution	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Have you completed the major requirements for the Ph.D., i. e., course work, examinations, and submission of a dissertation prospectus? (Circle One) Yes No
(Please submit a copy of your approved dissertation prospectus.)

How are you financing your graduate education? (Please list all sources of support including current scholarships, fellowships, assistantships, loans, and outside jobs.)

Please explain how receiving this scholarship would assist you in completing your program. (If you plan to use the money to support dissertation research, a brief budget would assist the committee in its deliberation.)

Father's Occupation (if deceased or retired, list his last occupation):
(Job title and brief description of his work)

Father's Education (circle years completed):

Primary school	1	2	3	4	5	6
Secondary school	7	8	9	10	11	12
College	13	14	15	16		
Graduate studies	17	18	19	20+		

Mother's Occupation (if deceased or retired, list her last occupation):
(Job title and brief description of her work)

Mother's Education (circle years completed):

Primary school	1	2	3	4	5	6
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TRAVEL FUNDS AVAILABLE

**The Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee announces:
funds available for Unemployed and Underemployed Sociologists
to participate in the 2005 Annual Meeting, August 12-14, Philadelphia, PA.**

The Erwin O. Smigel Award was established in 1975 to provide assistance to unemployed and underemployed sociologists (i.e., sociologists who have achieved an advanced degree and are not students and are working full or part time in any activity that would be of interest to one of the special problems divisions). Erwin Smigel was a professor and Chair of Sociology at New York University, and the author of *THE WALL STREET LAWYER* as well as other works. He was the second editor of *SOCIAL PROBLEMS*; serving from 1958-61. He was also a friendly and good humored man who supported colleagues exceptionally well. The fund was established in Erwin's honor the year he passed away.

Erwin O. Smigel Award Guidelines: 1) the Smigel monies are to be used to help pay for three or four unemployed or severely underemployed sociologists' transportation to and registration fees for the SSSP meeting; 2) applicants must be presenting a paper at the main SSSP meeting (rather than at an adjacent workshop or meeting) or participating as a SSSP elected or appointed officer or committee member; 3) a maximum of \$500 dollars is to be granted to any one recipient.

Application (see next page) should be sent no later than March 15, 2005 to:

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Hendrix College, 1600 Washington Avenue
Conway, AR 72032
W: 501-450-1308; F: 501-450-1400; CAPEK@HENDRIX.EDU

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Established in 1981, this award is made in recognition of significant achievements that, over a distinguished career, have demonstrated continuing devotion to the ideas of the founders of the Society for the Study of Social Problems and especially to the humanist tradition of Alfred McClung Lee and Betty Briant Lee.

Erwin O. Smigel Award Application

APPLICATION DEADLINE--MARCH 15, 2005

(Applications postmarked/faxed after March 15 are ineligible for consideration.)

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Current Mailing Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State & Zip Code)

Phone: _____ Email: _____
(include area code) (Home) (Work)

Address where you can be reached after the May 15 announcement date:

(Street) (City) (State & Zip Code)

Please indicate how you plan to travel to the meeting: _____
SSSP will support estimated air coach fare; auto travel at \$.35/mile; and travel by bus or train **ONLY**.

Please provide a breakdown of your anticipated costs to attend the meeting. Registration fees will be funded. Not all of the expenses for attending the meeting can be paid from these funds. SSSP strongly suggests that other sources of funds be sought to supplement your participation. Persons unable to attend the meetings **MUST** return all monies to SSSP.

Travel Cost: _____

Room Cost: _____
SSSP will support a shared room (roommate matching service will be available). Our meeting room rate is: \$119 plus 14% tax per night. Exceptions will be made if extraordinary personal circumstances justify an individual room.

Meal Cost: _____
SSSP will support up to \$15 US/per day.

Grand Total: _____

Please state why you consider yourself "underemployed," if applicable.

Please state your planned contributions to the meeting. Only members who have been accepted for program participation or participating as an elected or appointed officer or committee member will be considered.

**Applicants will receive an email confirming the receipt of their application.
If you do *not* receive an email within two weeks of submitting your application, please contact the chair.
Applicants will be notified by the chair if their application was accepted/rejected no later than May 15, 2005.**

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

2005 SOCIAL ACTION AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2005 Social Action Award. **Members of the Society are urged to submit names of organizations as nominees for this award.**

The Social Action Award, established in 1991, is awarded to a not-for-profit organization in the city/area hosting the annual meeting. The award carries a stipend of \$1,000.

The award is a fitting expression of the overall purpose of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, which is concerned with applying scientific methods and theories to the study of social problems. SSSP aims to bring together scholars, practitioners, and advocates to examine and understand social problems in order to further solutions and develop social policy based on knowledge.

When this award was established, SSSP described its purpose as follows:

The organization selected for this recognition should have a history of challenging social inequalities, promoting social change, and/or working toward the empowerment of marginalized peoples. Its work must demonstrate sensitivity to and respect for cultural diversity.

Preference is given to small, local agencies in the **Philadelphia area** rather than large organizations or chapters of nationally-based organizations. The main criterion is the extent to which the organization reaches out to the disadvantaged in the community and uses innovative means for dealing with local social conditions.

The award will be presented on August 13, 2005 at the SSSP Awards Banquet in Philadelphia, PA. **Deadline for nominations is May 15, 2005.**

PREVIOUS WINNERS INCLUDE:

2004	San Francisco, CA	Free Battered Women
2003	Atlanta, GA	Atlanta Harm Reduction Center
2002	Chicago, IL	Chicago Legal Advocacy for Incarcerated Mothers (CLAIM)
2001	Anaheim, CA	Innercity Struggle
2000	Washington, DC	Council of Latino Agencies
1999	Chicago, IL	Rogers Park Community Action Network
1998	San Francisco, CA	People Organized to Win Employment Rights
1997	Toronto, Canada	Heritage Skills Development Center
1996	New York, NY	SAKHI
1995	Washington, DC	Foundation for Youth at Risk Friends and Jr. Friends of the Southwest Branch Library
1994	Los Angeles, CA	Coalition for Human Immigration Rights of Los Angeles
1993	Miami, FL	Women Will Rebuild P.A.C.E Center for Girls Haitian Refugee Center
1992	Pittsburgh, PA	Pittsburgh Jobs with Peace Campaign
1991	Cincinnati, OH	Ohio Welfare Rights Organization ReSTOC Inc.

2005 SOCIAL ACTION AWARD NOMINATION FORM

(Please include the following information when making a nomination.)

Your name, address, phone number, and email address.

The name and address of the organization you wish to nominate.

The name, address, phone number, and email address of the organizational contact person.

Give an overview of the organization's work.

Indicate why you believe that the nominee merits the award.

Please submit any supportive materials you believe would be helpful to the committee.

Nominations should be sent no later than May 15, 2005 to:

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Other Committee Members:

Tammy Anderson, University of Delaware
Joel Best, University of Delaware
Stephen Couch, Penn State University, Schuylkill Campus
Kamini Grahame, Penn State University, Harrisburg
Arthur B. Shostak, Drexel University
Susan Will, CUNY John Jay College
Tukufu Zuberi, University of Pennsylvania



**SSSP 2004
MEETING MINUTES**

**Minutes of the SSSP Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, August 12, 2004, San Francisco, California**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathleen J. Ferraro.

Those present were introduced: Kathleen J. Ferraro, President; Gary Alan Fine, President-Elect; Nancy Jurik, Past President; Valerie Jenness, Vice-President; Martha Hargraves, Vice-President-Elect; Dean Knudsen, Secretary; Susan M. Carlson, Treasurer; Jane Bock, Timothy Diamond, JoAnn L. Miller, David A. Smith, and A. Javier Trevino, Board Members; Aimee Van Wagenen, Student Member, Board of Directors; Thomas C. Hood, Executive Officer; Michele Smith Koontz, Administrative Officer; James A. Holstein, Editor, SOCIAL PROBLEMS; Stephen Couch, Editor, SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM: THE SSSP NEWSLETTER; Carrie Yang Costello, Chair, Council of Special Problems Division Chairpersons; Peg Bortner, Program Committee; Kimberly J. Cook, Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee and Long Range Planning Committee; Rebecca Simon and Rebekah Darksmith, University of California Press.

The Agenda was accepted as presented.

Tom Hood announced the results of the 2004 General Election, as printed in the summer 2004 SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM: Claire M. Renzetti, President-Elect; Kimberly J. Cook, Vice-President-Elect; JoAnn L. Miller, Secretary; Susan M. Carlson, Treasurer; Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo and Wendy Simons, Board of Directors; Luis Alberto Fernandez, Student Member, Board of Directors; Michael A. Messner and A. Kathryn Stout, Committee on Committees; Patricia Yancey Martin and James D. Orcutt, Editorial and Publications Committee. The Bylaws amendments were approved.

The minutes of the Board Meeting of August 17, 2003 were approved.

Kathleen J. Ferraro was named to serve on the Nominations Committee.

The written report of the Local Arrangements Committee was discussed and accepted with thanks to the members for their work.

Michele Koontz reviewed and highlighted her written report. As of August 12, 618 people had registered, but the problem concerning people on the preliminary program who are not members of SSSP has continued, with some improvement each year due to the policy in force. SSSP has exceeded the contract for sleeping room rentals, so only the minimum fees will be charged for meeting room use. The Library of Social Sciences has 56 publishers represented with 342 books on display. More students and new members requested mentors than were available, and many students do not feel welcome. The board members were requested to make an effort to meet and involve them in SSSP. Approximately \$800 has been saved by dropping the hospitality suite from the contract due to limited use in favor of a meeting room that is available for dropping in for relaxation. One LCD projector was purchased and is in use, but many late requests for it had to be denied. The contract with the hotel includes a food and beverage guarantee of \$20,000, and more selection of higher quality hors d'oeuvres will be served in addition to several other events that have been scheduled at the hotel to offset the minimum guarantee. Michele thanked all those with whom she

had worked for the meeting and the board for the opportunity to serve as meeting manager. The report was received with thanks.

Tom Hood presented additional comments to emphasize his written report, noting the effective work done by the Knoxville staff and the committees of the Society, citing the recently published AGENDA FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE 2004. The Editorial and Publications Committee, editors James Holstein and Stephen Couch, the Program Committee and President Kathleen J. Ferraro whose work has brought a large number of scholars to the meetings, the C. Wright Mills Committee, the Council of Special Problems Division Chairpersons, and the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee all were cited for their contributions to the Society. The deaths of several past active members, John Kitsuse, T. R. Young, Paul B. Horton, and Lewis A. Coser, were noted. The issue of expanding the definition of minority will be discussed later.

Tom noted that he had completed 14 years as Executive Officer and thanked all those in the Executive Office and the Society for their work and for being allowed to serve as Executive Officer. His report was received with thanks and congratulations on his new status as professor emeritus.

Peg Bortner discussed the written report of the Program Committee, with special thanks to Michele. Peg noted that alternative formats for sessions, such as those including poetry and photography, are rare and people must be encouraged to develop such sessions. The report was received with thanks.

Susan M. Carlson, Treasurer, presented the financial report for 2003, noting that the Society continues to be in good financial condition. As of December 31, 2003 assets totaled \$436,917, having increased by \$63,042 primarily due to gain in investments. She noted that a decline in dues for 2003 of \$5,642 resulted from fewer memberships in the professional membership dues categories of \$50 and up, in the result of retirements of older members and the failure to recruit and retain sufficient new members, presenting a potential problem in future years. The annual audit was clean and issues identified earlier have been resolved. Discussion regarding possible actions followed.

**MOTION: THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE AUDIT REPORT.
SECONDED. PASSED.**

Rebecca Simon and Rebekah Darksmith of the University of California Press discussed their written report. They noted that non-member circulation remains healthy, though some erosion has occurred and some additional loss of subscriptions is expected as the result of the bankruptcy of a large subscription agency. Income from such subscriptions is projected to be \$144,404, somewhat less than originally estimated. A recommendation that the price for non-member and institutional subscriptions be increased by \$8 or 6% to \$144 was presented. The Board discussed possible promotion of subscriptions to SOCIAL PROBLEMS at community colleges and other two year institutions.

MOTION: THAT THE NON-MEMBER SUBSCRIPTION PRICE OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS BE INCREASED TO \$144 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2006. SECONDED. PASSED.

Kimberly J. Cook discussed the written report of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, with recommendations that, because of the financial ramifications of personnel decisions involving the Executive Officer and the Administrative Officer, the operations manual be changed to include the Treasurer as a participant in developing the screening procedure for evaluating the applications. The committee also recommended that the three most promising applications will be submitted to the Board for review and approval in consultation with the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee and the Treasurer. In addition, the committee recommended that because of their knowledge and ability to assess the merits of various bids, the choice of meeting hotel be made by the Executive Officer and the Administrative Officer. Because no existing financial information supports a meeting date and place separate from the American Sociological Association the committee strongly recommended against holding a meeting apart from the ASA.

Extended discussion followed regarding the report and the proposed changes in the operation manual regarding personnel matters.

MOTION: THAT THE OPERATIONS MANUAL, SECTION I. D. 3 & 4, BE CHANGED TO ADD “AND THE TREASURER” IN SECTION I. D. 3 AFTER THE PHRASE “...WITH THE BOARD” AND TO ADD “IN CONSULTATION WITH THE TREASURER” AFTER THE WORDS “... REVIEW AND APPROVAL” IN SECTION I. D. 4. SECONDED. PASSED.

Kimberly J. Cook presented the 2004 amended budget, and actual figures for the 2004 meeting. Membership dues, reprint permission fees, annual meeting income and total revenue have increased and the projected deficit for 2004-2005 has been reduced by over \$7000, to \$32,585. The June 30, 2004 statement of assets and liabilities indicated that investments, savings, and other assets totaled \$620,427.17, with an increase in net assets due to the returns on investments.

MOTION: THAT THE 2004 AMENDED BUDGET BE APPROVED. SECONDED. PASSED.

James Holstein discussed the written report for SOCIAL PROBLEMS. The editorial offices at Marquette University continue to function efficiently and effectively. Some problems in shipping problems have been addressed. A change in policy regarding length of articles now provides for 35 pages (approximately 10,000 words) plus references, tables, etc. There were 337 submissions in 2003-2004, excluding the presidential address and the special section, an increase of 50%, but the acceptance rate continues to be similar to prior years, and the average review time for full of submissions is 9 weeks. The report was received with thanks.

Stephen Couch discussed the written report for SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM: THE SSSP NEWSLETTER, and expressed appreciation for contributions and support of the Executive Office and the membership. Discussion followed concerning the possibility of electronic only mailing of the newsletter, without a specific decision regarding changing the current process. The report was received with thanks.

Kimberly J. Cook presented the report of the Ad-Hoc Long Range Planning Committee, which addressed the charge given to the committee last year. In response to the issue of revenue development, the committee recommended that workshops on various topics be provided at the annual meeting, that the website and newsletter provide more information about scholar/activists, and that a one year free membership in SSSP be given to new doctorates, as a means of increasing membership and participation. For the issue of cost containment, the committee recommended consideration of electronic mailings of the newsletter and the annual program, and the possibility of electronic elections. In addition, it was recommended that the Editorial and Publications Committee study the impact of electronic distribution of SOCIAL PROBLEMS to minimize economic loss to the Society. In response to the issue of the future of SSSP, the committee strongly and unanimously recommended that we retain existing arrangements with the ASA host city and date, and that the chair of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee, chair of the Long Range Planning Committee, the President, the President-Elect, the Past President, and the Treasurer develop a means of monitoring structural arrangements of the Society, Executive Office, and the host institution to envision transitions. Finally, the consensus of the committee was that the decision about a Board retreat should be made by the Board of Directors itself. Extensive discussion of these recommendations and other issues followed. Thanks were expressed for the work of the committee.

MOTION: THAT THE AD HOC LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE BE REAUTHORIZED FOR ANOTHER YEAR WITH A STUDENT BOARD MEMBER BE ADDED. SECONDED. PASSED.

Michele Koontz reported on the actions taken to identify a site for the 2007 meeting. There are only five cities in the Midwest which could handle SSSP, and the University of Michigan would be a possibility but has serious logistical problems. There are six sites in San Francisco, including two airport hotels which would be less expensive than those in the city.

MOTION: THAT THE AIRPORT HOTELS BE ELIMINATED FROM CONSIDERATION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS. SECONDED. PASSED.

There was no unfinished business or new business to consider.
Kathleen J. Ferraro adjourned the meeting.

**Minutes of the SSSP Board of Directors Meeting
August 13, 2004, San Francisco, California**

President Kathleen J. Ferraro called the meeting to order.

Persons present were introduced: Kathleen J. Ferraro, President; Gary Alan Fine, President-Elect; Nancy Jurik, Past President; Valerie Jenness, Vice-President; Martha Hargraves, Vice-President-Elect; Dean Knudsen, Secretary; Susan M. Carlson, Treasurer; Jane Bock, JoAnn L. Miller, David A. Smith, and Amy Wharton, Board Members; Luis Fernandez and Aimee Van Wagenen, Student Members, Board of Directors; Thomas C. Hood, Executive Officer; Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer; James A. Holstein, Editor, SOCIAL PROBLEMS; Stephen Couch, Editor, SOCIAL PROBLEM FORUM; THE SSSP NEWSLETTER; Carrie Yang Costello, Chair, Council of Special Problems Division Chairpersons; Jennifer K. Wesely, Chair, Accessibility Committee; Kathryn J. Fox, Chair, Lee Student Support Fund Committee; Teresa L. Scheid, Chair, Minority Scholarship Fund Committee; Cheryl A. Boudreaux, Chair, Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee; and Robert Perrucci, Chair, Justice 21 Committee.

The agenda was amended to consider the nomination of a person to replace JoAnn L. Miller on the Board of Directors due to her election as Secretary in the 2004 SSSP election. Following a presentation by Carrie Yang Costello of the process by which this nomination was developed, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to appoint Paul Luken to fulfill the uncompleted term of JoAnn L. Miller on the Board of Directors (2004-2005).

Jennifer K. Wesely discussed the written report of the Accessibility Committee, and noted that their concern was making the committee more active. A recommendation that the site selection committee consider availability of roll-in showers for the 2007 meeting was presented and Michele Koontz noted that such facilities are available for this meeting.

MOTION: THAT THE SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE CONSIDER THE AVAILABILITY OF ROLL-IN SHOWERS IN SELECTION OF HOTELS FOR THE MEETINGS OF SSSP. SECONDED. PASSED.

The written report of the C. Wright Mills Award Committee was discussed. Though some publishers continue to send inappropriate books that must be eliminated, other presses are appropriately selective, but it is impossible to know if all of the eligible books were received until the deadline for submission. Seventy one books were nominated this year, with seven finalists selected. Thanks were expressed to Beth Schneider and her committee for their work on this award.

The written report of the Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee was received, with three applicants, Laura Finley, Esteban Romero, and Karen Werner, receiving awards..

The written report of the Lee Founders Award Committee was discussed. Two nominations were received with appropriate supporting materials. The decision of the members of the committee was that Dr. Mary Romero would receive the award. The written report of the Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund Committee was received and discussed. Fourteen applications were received, but only 10 met the criteria for funding. The total requested was nearly \$12,000, exceeding the \$4,000 available for support. After deliberation, four awards were made to scholar-activists: Rafael Agacino from Chile, Victor Jordan from Panama, Silvana Andrea Figueroa Delgado from Mexico, and Sebastian Haunss from Germany.

The written report of the Lee Student Support Fund Committee was discussed by Kathryn J. Fox, Chair, noting that there were 40 applicants, but only \$4,000 available. Thirty two applicants who fit the criteria for support were given awards of \$125 each. Efforts to match mentors and students were hampered by the lack of sufficient mentors, and the committee recommended that mentors and mentees be identified earlier, that arrangements to meet be developed, and that a clarification of expectations be undertaken. Discussion of the report and recommendations followed.

MOTION: THAT THE BUDGET FOR THE LEE STUDENT SUPPORT FUND BE INCREASED TO \$7,500 FOR THE 2005 MEETINGS. SECONDED. PASSED.

The written report of the Membership Committee was received, indicating that SSSP had 1548 members as of June 2004, including 24 Life Members. Efforts to increase membership involved personal contacts, redesign of the SSSP brochure, and targeting members of various professional scholarly associations.

Teresa L. Scheid discussed the written report of the Minority Scholarship Fund Committee, which outlined committee activities in selecting the minority fellowship recipient. Several recommendations were submitted regarding the definition of minority, procedures to be followed, requiring GPAs, focus on dissertation research, and detailed information about financial need. Discussion followed regarding the history of the award which has focused primarily on students who had been subjected to institutional racism because of their racial/ethnic background. In recent years the criteria has included gender and sexual orientation as well as scholar activism. A consensus emerged that there should be no change in the criteria used to select the scholar or in the targeted population.

MOTION: THAT THE TARGETED POPULATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION AS CANDIDATES FOR THE MINORITY FELLOWSHIP INCLUDE PERSONS OF RACIAL/ETHNIC BACKGROUND, SPECIFICALLY AFRICAN AMERICANS, ASIAN AMERICANS, HISPANICS, AND NATIVE AMERICANS. SECONDED. PASSED.

Cheryl A. Boudreaux presented the written report of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee, including a report of the site visit to the University of Tennessee in April. Discussion followed concerning the suggestion that the bylaws be changed to include participation of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee and the Treasurer in the various functions of personnel matters, organizational operations, and financial planning. Recommendations included changing meeting management pay to a regular salary compensation package, making the graduate assistantship a year round position at \$18,000 per year, and developing a plan for hiring an executive officer. The committee will continue to address these issues, and expressed thanks to those in the Executive Office for the long-standing successful operation of the SSSP organization.

MOTION: THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SSSP ENDORSE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BUDGET, FINANCE, AND AUDIT COMMITTEE REGARDING CHANGES IN COMPENSATION FOR MEETING MANAGEMENT IN THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE. SECONDED. PASSED.

The written report of the Social Action Committee was accepted. Four nominations for the Social Action Award were received, with "Free Battered Women" the final choice.

The written report of the Standards and Freedom of Research, Publication, and Teaching Committee was accepted.

Robert Perrucci reported that the Justice 21 Committee had successfully completed the document SOLUTIONS: AGENDA FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE 2004, and had distributed it to governmental officials, and proposed that a similar activity be undertaken for the 2008 election. Discussion focused on the possibility of obtaining funding to support this activity.

MOTION: THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REAUTHORIZE THE JUSTICE 21 COMMITTEE THROUGH NEXT YEAR, WITH NEW MEMBERS ADDED TO AUGMENT THE TASKS INVOLVED. SECONDED. PASSED.

The written report of the Reinvigoration Committee was discussed. Several suggestions were presented in the report. Discussion followed.

Carrie Yang Costello discussed the concerns of the Special Problems Divisions, and recommended that communication be done by email.

Unfinished business from 2004: The report of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee was accepted, with a recommendation that the pending negotiations with the University of Tennessee include an arrangement for SSSP to include the stipend for the duties of meeting manager in the annual meeting budget as suggested by the committee.

MOTION: THAT SSSP CONTINUE TO MEET AT THE SAME TIME AND PLACE AS THE AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION THROUGH 2007. SECONDED. PASSED.

The meeting was adjourned.

**Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting of SSSP
August 14, 2004, San Francisco, California**

The meeting was called to order by President Kathleen J. Ferraro.

The agenda was accepted as distributed.

Dean Knudsen, Secretary, reviewed the minutes of last year's meeting as printed in SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM.

Susan M. Carlson, Treasurer, reported on the financial condition of SSSP, noting that the Society continues to be in good financial condition, thanks to careful actions by the Executive Office and larger than expected returns from investments. The audit indicated that there were no issues that needed to be addressed.

Dean Knudsen, Secretary, reported on actions of the Board of Directors. These actions included an increase in the non-member subscription price of SOCIAL PROBLEMS by \$6, to \$144 in 2006, approval of the audit, changes in the operations manual to include the Treasurer of the Society in selection of Executive Officer and Administrative Officer, approval of the 2004 amended budget, and extending the term of the Ad Hoc Long Range Planning Committee for one year. In addition, actions were taken to eliminate airport hotels as sites for future meetings, to include availability of roll in showers in selection of hotels, to increase the budget for the Lee Student Support Fund from \$4,000 to \$7,500, to clarify the targeted populations for minority fellowships as those persons of racial/ethnic background, specifically African-Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans, to endorse changes in remuneration of meeting manager, to reauthorize the Justice 21 committee and add members in planning for the 2008 election, and to meet in the same place and at the same time as the American Sociological Association in 2007.

James A. Holstein, Editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS, reported that the editorial offices continue to function efficiently and effectively, processing 337 submissions with an average decision time of about nine weeks. A change in manuscript length has been made, with papers acceptable to a maximum of 35 pages, plus references and tables.

Stephen Couch, Editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM: THE SSSP NEWSLETTER, reported that the issues had appeared on schedule and within the budget. Efforts will be made to increase the number of substantive essays, book and film reviews, and letters to the editor.

Thomas C. Hood, Executive Officer, noted that the Society has functioned very well during the past year, with committees doing excellent work. The publication of SOLUTIONS: AGENDA FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE 2004 has illustrated the importance of the unofficial motto "Scholarship in pursuit of social justice." The journal SOCIAL PROBLEMS, the publication of volumes in the Presidential Series, and the newsletter provide evidence of the vitality of the organization. The program and attractions of San Francisco have produced the largest registration in several years. Four deceased members, all of whom contributed much to the Society, John Kitsuse, T. R. Young, Lewis Coser, and Paul B. Horton, were remembered with a period of silence. Finally, Tom reported he has retired from the University of Tennessee, but will remain Executive Officer for the present.

Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer and Meeting Manager, reported that as of August 12, 618 persons has registered, and recognized the work of the Local Arrangements Committee and the Program Committee. Members were encouraged to attend the programs which provide financial support for AIDS groups and local social activist organizations.

Kimberly J. Cook reported that the proposed by law changes for 2004 had passed, and no additional changes had been presented for the coming year.

Valerie Jenness presented the resolutions for consideration by the membership, all of which were approved by those present.

Resolution # 1

Proposed by Charles Trent, Conflict, Social Action & Change Division

Whereas the Society for the Study of Social Problems believes it is unjust for impacted individuals, families, and communities in the United States to be oppressed by abject poverty.

Therefore, be us resolved that:

1. Poverty is morally unjust and wrong.
2. Poverty is a serious and basic social problem that underpins all other social problems in the United States.
3. Blaming the victims of poverty is not a solution to poverty.
4. Leaders of our political, economic, corporate, and social systems must be accountable for revisiting poverty as a social problem and taking meaningful actions to enhance the status and welfare of people living in poverty.

Resolution # 2

Proposed by Carrie Yang Costello (costello@uwm.edu), Council of Special Problems Division and Elizabeth Ettore (E.Ettore@plymouth.ac.uk), Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division

WHEREAS five times per day in the United States, plastic surgeons at major hospitals perform cosmetic surgery upon the genitals of infants or young children, and

WHEREAS these operations to improve genital appearance often result in severe negative effects, including the permanent loss of sexual sensation, lifelong bladder infections, and the loss of fertility, and

WHEREAS having genitalia that look atypical is not a medical emergency, so that surgery can be postponed until a child matures sufficiently to make a fully informed decision whether s/he considers the risks worth the benefits,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SSSP urges all legislative bodies to draft legislation prohibiting genital cosmetic plastic surgery and/or accompanying hormonal treatments upon minors if it involves substantial risk to health or physical function, including future sexual function and fertility, unless the minor is sufficiently mature to give full informed consent to the procedure, and

RESOLVED that the SSSP urges legislative bodies to define as medical malpractice cosmetic plastic surgery upon minors that involves substantial risk to health or physical function, including future sexual function and fertility, and that is performed upon a minor who does not or consent or who is insufficiently mature to give full informed consent.

Resolution # 3

Proposed by Michelle Janning (janninmy@whitman.edu), Family Division

WHEREAS restriction of marriage rights to heterosexual couples constitutes discrimination on the bases of gender and sexual orientation, AND

WHEREAS interference with individuals' personal decisions relating to marriage and family relationships is a violation of the Fourteenth Amendment right to liberty, AND

WHEREAS marriage is presumed to promote family stability, protects children raised in the marriage, and is a route to numerous benefits such as spousal social security, health care benefits, and the like,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the SSSP calls on federal and state governments to permit same-sex couples to marry within their jurisdictions, and to recognize the marriages granted to same-sex couples in other jurisdictions.

Resolution #4

The members of the Society wish to thank the Cathedral Hill Hotel staff for fine accommodations and we particularly want to recognize the efforts made by Donna Labriola, Director of Convention Service and Banquet Operations.

Resolution #5

Proposed by Valerie Jenness, Vice President

We want to sincerely thank all of the SSSP officers, committee chairs, and members who have made this program possible and who help keep the Society moving forward. First, we thank President Kathleen J. Ferraro for organizing the 54th annual meeting around the theme, "The Culture of Social Problems: Power, People, and History." Through President Ferraro's leadership, the Society has once again affirmed its capacity for engaging social problems and for developing innovative forms of scholarly activism. We also thank this year's Program Committee, M.A. Bortner, R. Danielle Egan, Stephen Pfohl, and Cecilia Menjivar, who worked tirelessly in organizing an excellent program. Stephen J. Morewitz, Rebecca Wepsic Ancheta, and Trisha Robinson deserve our appreciation for coordinating efforts as the Local Arrangements Committee.

The Society wishes to express its gratitude to past president Nancy Jurik for her three consecutive years of leadership; Vice-President Valerie Jenness for managing the resolutions process; Dean Knudsen for his service as Secretary of the Society; and Susan Carlson for her service as Treasurer of the Society. The Society also thanks Gary Alan Fine, President-Elect; Martha A. Hargraves, Vice-President Elect; JoAnn L. Miller, A. Javier Trevino, Kathleen S. Lowney, David A. Smith, and Amy S. Wharton, Board members; Jane Bock and Timothy Diamond, outgoing Board members; Lisa Anne Zilney (outgoing) and Aimee Van Wagenen, student representatives on the Board; Carrie Yang Costello, Chair of the Council of Special Problems Division; James A. Holstein, Editor of *Social Problems*; Stephen Couch, Editor of *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter*; Robert Perrucci, Kathleen J. Ferraro, JoAnn L. Miller, and Paula C. Rodriguez Rust, Editors of *Agenda for Social Justice 2004*; Kimberly J. Cook, Long Range Planning Committee Chair and Karl Bryant, Susan M. Carlson, Donald Cunnigen, Nelta M. Edwards, Martha A. Hargraves, Robert Perrucci, and Claire Renzetti, Long Range Planning Committee; Kimberly J. Cook, outgoing Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee Chair and Bruce Johnson, David Rudy, and Susan M. Carlson, Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee; Leon Anderson, Editorial and Publications Committee Chair and Margaret Andersen, Verta Taylor, Nancy Naples, Wendy Chapkis, Doris Wilkinson, James A. Holstein, Stephen Couch, and Kimberly J. Cook, Editorial and Publications Committee; Nancy Naples, who has been in charge of the Presidential Series this year; and the Muddy Rivers Review band for performing at the AIDS Fundraiser.

Finally, the Society wishes to thank Executive Officer Tom Hood, Administrative Officer & Meeting Manager Michele Smith Koontz, and Graduate Research Assistant Nancy Brannon for continuing to make the organization run and do all that it does year in and year out.

Resolution #6

Proposed by Erin Robinson, Chair, Environment and Technology Division

The members of the Environment and Technology Division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems commend the City of San Francisco for adopting the precautionary principle in response to significant environmental and environmental health issues in local communities.

There was no additional business presented.

Kathleen J. Ferraro introduced the new President of SSSP, Gary Alan Fine, who announced the theme for the 2005 meeting at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Philadelphia, August 12-14. The theme is BLOWBACK: THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS SOLUTIONS.

The meeting was adjourned by President Gary Alan Fine.

**Minutes of the SSSP Board of Directors Meeting
August 15, 2004, San Francisco, California**

President Gary Alan Fine called the meeting to order.

Those present were: Gary Alan Fine, President; Claire Renzetti, President-Elect; Kathleen Ferraro, Past President; Martha Hargraves, Vice President; Kimberly Cook, Vice President-Elect; Valerie Jenness, Past Vice President; JoAnn Miller, Secretary; Susan M. Carlson, Treasurer; David Smith, A. Javier Trevino, Wendy Simonds, Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo, Paul Luken, Board of Directors; Aimee Van Wagenen and Luis Fernandez, Student Representatives; James Holstein, Editor, SOCIAL PROBLEMS; Steve Couch, Editor, SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM; Carrie Yang Costello, Chair of the Council of Special Problems Divisions; Bruce Johnson, Chair of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee; Tom Hood, Executive Officer, and Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer.

The agenda was adopted as distributed.

Paul Luken was selected to serve on the Board of Directors to finish JoAnn Miller's term.

Candidates for Secretary and Treasurer were considered. Susan Carlson was nominated for Treasurer and JoAnn Miller was nominated for Secretary.

Carrie Yang Costello presented the report of the Nominating Committee, including nominees for President Elect; Vice President Elect; Board of Directors; Student Representative to the Board of Directors; Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee; Committee on Committees; and Editorial and Publications Committee. Discussion of the proposed slate followed.

MOTION: THAT THE SLATE OF CANDIDATES BE APPROVED AS REVISED. SECONDED. PASSED.

Aimee Van Wagenen presented the report from the Student Representatives and expressed gratitude for the funds used to purchase food and beverages to welcome graduate students to the Annual Meeting. Aimee and Luis Fernandez were thanked for their work.

Bruce Johnson presented the proposed 2005 budget which has a projected deficit of \$59,324. He noted that the 2004 meeting attendance and SSSP's investments had positive influences on the budget. The Budget, Finance, and Audit committee recommends increasing the special division budget to a maximum of \$700 per division.

MOTION: THAT THE 2005 PROPOSED BUDGET BE APPROVED. CARRIED.

Leon Anderson presented the Editorial and Publications Committee Report that focused on three issues: The Presidential Series anthologies, the recruitment and evaluation of candidates for the next editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS, and need to recruit a new editor for SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM. A total of five anthologies have been published. The Executive Editor of Rowman & Littlefield presented figures to the Committee indicating that none of the anthologies has yet reached a "break even" sales point. The Editorial and Publications Committee recommended Amy Wharton to be the next editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS. The Committee acknowledges the long-term service to SSSP that Stephen Couch has provided as editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM. Candidates for the next editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM will be recommended to the Board of Directors.

Carrie Yang Costello suggested that the editorship of SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM be announced to the full membership.

The Committee, especially Leon Anderson and Nancy Naples, were thanked for their work on three distinct issues.

Michele Koontz presented the report from the Committee on Committees on behalf of Tammy Anderson. The Final Report of the Committee on Committees was approved.

Vice President Valerie Jenness presented six resolutions and called for discussion. For text of the resolutions, referred to the Board of Directors for action, please see the minutes of the Annual Business Meeting.

Tom Hood asked for instructions from the board for the disposition of the resolutions. The board decided that the six resolutions will be published in SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM. A letter from SSSP will be mailed to the Intersex Society of North America to communicate Resolution # 2. A letter from SSSP to communicate Resolution # 1 and Resolution # 3 will be mailed to all known U.S. Presidential Candidates and the Governors of the 50 states. Resolution # 4 will be sent to the General Manager of the Cathedral Hilton Hotel. A copy of Resolution # 5 will be mailed to all the persons thanked. Resolution # 6 will be communicated with a letter from SSSP to the Mayor of San Francisco. These instructions were approved by common consent.

E-mail distribution of the Special Problems Divisions' Newsletters was discussed. All members without electronic mail will be notified and informed that the newsletters will also be available online.

David Smith organized a request for a new Special Problems Division, called "Global," and obtained 62 signatures in favor of forming a new division. He agreed to be the Organizing Chair of the Division.

MOTION: THAT A NEW SPECIAL PROBLEMS DIVISION, IN THE GLOBAL AREA, BE FORMED. SECONDED. PASSED.

President Fine announced the National Conference on Job Loss and Recovery in Rural America, which will be held Oct 1-2, 2004 in Lumberton, North Carolina. Claire Renzetti suggested that the Conference be announced on the SSSP web page.

The International Coalition Against Sexual Harassment requested meeting rooms at the 2005 Annual Meeting.

REQUEST WAS APPROVED.

Gary Alan Fine suggested that the Special Problems Division chairs should discuss, with Division members, their interest in holding a meeting, with 50 – 100 attendees, to focus on themes that are of particular interest to a Special Problems Division. Proposals for meetings would be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. The Proposals would include: a budget, a statement of how the Special Problems Division would organize the arrangements for the meeting, a statement of commitment by members to attend, and when precisely the proposed meeting would take place.

The meeting was adjourned by Gary Alan Fine.

Board Approved 2004 Budget: 8/12/04**Approved
2004 Budget****MEMBERSHIP DUES**

4110	Membership Dues, Current Year	\$96,500
4111	Membership Dues, Life Members	200
4115	Departmental Memberships	1,800
4120	Mailing Fees	750
4125	\$35 Student Membership Carry-Over (1 year)	2,345
	Total Membership Dues Income	<hr/> \$101,595

JOURNAL AND PUBLICATIONS

4205	Back Issues - Single Copy Sales	\$1,435
4210	Advertising - Social Problems	1,921
4215	Reprint Permission Fees - Subsidiary Rights	28,736
4216	Non-Journal Royalty Income	0
4220	Sale of Membership Subscription List	2,000
4225	Editorial Processing Fee	1,200
4226	Offprints	418
4230	Gross Subscription Income - UC Press	253,432
4235	Presidential Series-Rowman & Littlefield	744
	Total Journal and Publications Income	<hr/> \$289,886

ANNUAL MEETING

4305	Pre-Registration - Member - \$95	\$32,300
4310	Pre-Registration - Student & Underemployed - \$20	4,040
4311	On-Site Registration - Student & Underemployed - \$40	1,000
4315	On-Site Registration - Member - \$110	4,400
4316	Two-Day Registration - \$65	130
4317	One-Day Registration - \$35	385
4318	Exempt Conference Registration - \$50	1,000
4319	Guest Registration - \$10	550
4320	Program Advertising	825
4321	Al McClung Lee Book - Galliher	0
4322	Non-Member Registration - \$50	1,150
4340	Annual Meeting Banquet	6,765
4341	Donate a Banquet Ticket Program	451
4342	Annual Meeting Contributions	0
4344	AIDS Fundraiser Ticket - \$15	1,000
4345	Audio-Visual Equipment Fees	0
4346	SSSP Lapel Pins	0
4347	SSSP Registration Bags	0
	Total Annual Meeting Income	<hr/> \$53,996

CONTRIBUTIONS

4400	Contributions - General Fund	\$500
4405	Contributions - Justice 21 Project	2,000
4410	Contributions - Lee Student Support Fund	200
4420	Contributions - Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund	200
4430	Contributions - C. Wright Mills Award Fund	150
4440	Contributions - Social Action Award Fund	450
4450	Contributions - Erwin Smigel Fund	50
4460	Contributions - Lee Founders Award Fund	1,800
4470	Contributions - Minority Graduate Scholarship Fund	\$1,000
4475	Contributions - Long Range Planning Committee	511
4698	Transfer From - Restricted Life Memberships	0
	Total Contributions Income	<hr/> \$6,861

INVESTMENT INCOME

4710	Dividend Income - Domini Money Market	\$2,500
4720	Dividend Income - Domini Social Equity Fund	600
4730	Dividend Income - Pax World Fund/Minority Scholarship	6,000
4735	Dividend Income - Pax World Fund/Lee Legacy	675
4740	Dividend Income - Pax World Fund/Life Members	400
4750	Interest - Checking Account	100
4790	Interest - Louisville Community Development Bank CD-1.25%	625
4810	Interest - C. Wright Mills Award Fund	20
4820	Interest - Lee Student Support Fund	5
4830	Interest - Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund	5
4860	Interest - Lee Founders Award Fund	55
4870	Interest - Erwin Smigel Fund	25
	Total Investment Income	<hr/> \$11,010

OTHER INCOME

4890	Gain/Loss on Retirement of Fixed Assets	\$0
4900	Miscellaneous Income	350
	Total Other Income	<hr/> \$350

TOTAL REVENUE

\$463,698

FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES**EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

5105	Executive Officer - Summer Stipend/Salary	\$10,400
5107	Administrative Officer - Longevity Pay - Univ of TN	1,200
5108	Administrative Officer - Salary	42,775
5109	Administrative Officer - Travel Reimbursement	500
5110	Graduate Assistant - Summer Stipend	6,300
5111	Graduate Associateship - 50% (5 months/12 months)	7,500
5112	Administrative Officer - Maternity Leave	0
5115	Replacement Courses/Department Compensation	5,500
5120	Executive Officer - Fringe Benefits	4,134
5122	Graduate Associate - Fringe Benefits	240
5123	Administrative Officer - Fringe Benefits	17,110
5124	Executive Office - Travel Funds	0
5125	Office Supplies	1,000
5126	Bonding of Employees	332
5130	Computer Supplies	1,200
5133	Publications	150
5135	Equipment Expenses	1,000
5140	Repair & Maintenance	200
5145	Telephone Services	1,500
5150	First Class Postage	2,500
5155	Insurance - Business & Equipment	250
5157	Non-Profit Corporation Cost	\$30
5160	Depreciation Expense-Computer/Website	4,288
5161	Depreciation Expense-LCD Projector	262
5165	Computer Consultant - Web page	2,500
5167	Host Database/Web/eCommerce	2,000
5170	Bank/Investment Service Charges	350
5171	Visa/Mastercard Service Charges	2,200
5175	CPA Services & Year End Audit	6,650
5177	Open Systems Accounting Software - Consulting	1,500
5180	Copying & Reproducing	500
5185	Contingency Fund-Add't Legal	100
5190	Computer/Internet Charges	1,000
5192	Training Courses	300
5193	Volunteer Appreciation Gifts	700
5195	Miscellaneous - Operating Expenses	500
	Total Executive Office Expenses	\$126,671

JOURNAL AND PUBLICATIONS***Journal***

5205	Promotion	\$5,000
5210	Publishing Expense - Manufacturing	53,379

5212	Press Fee	65,407
5215	Postage, Mail & Fulfillment	18,576
5217	Subsidiary Rights - Author Payments	8,000
5223	Miscellaneous Journal	0
5224	Editorial Board Luncheon	500
	Total UC Press Expenses	<hr/> \$150,862
5225	Stipend - Editor	\$7,500
5230	Honorarium - Editor	1,500
5235	Salaries - Managing Editor & Edit Asst/Compensation & Benefits	41,000
5236	Fringe Benefits - Managing Editor & Editorial Asst	0
5237	Travel Funds - Editor	2,000
5240	Office Supplies & Expenses - Editor	3,000
5241	Computer Consultant - Editor	0
5245	Telephone Expenses - Editor	500
5246	Relocation (Shipping)	0
5247	Relocation (Travel)	0
5248	Office Postage - Editor	3,800
5249	Photocopying - Editor	2,300
	Total Social Problems Editorial Office Expenses	<hr/> \$61,600
	Total Journal Expenses	<hr/> \$212,462
<i>Publications</i>		
5250	Honorarium - Newsletter Editor	\$700
5255	Release Time - Newsletter Editor	5,600
5256	Student Assistant - Newsletter Editor	2,500
5258	Miscellaneous Expense - Newsletter Editor	1,000
5260	Printing & Mailing Newsletter	10,000
5265	Telephone Expense - Newsletter Editor	0
5266	Office Expense - Newsletter Editor	\$0
5270	Printing - SPD Newsletter & Election	5,500
5275	Postage - SPD Newsletter & Election	3,500
5280	Membership Directory	0
	Total Publication Expenses	<hr/> \$28,800
	Total Journal and Publications Expenses	<hr/> \$241,262

ANNUAL MEETING

5301	Printing - Preliminary Program	\$3,529
5302	Postage - Preliminary Program	950
5303	Printing - Final Program	1,570
5304	Shipping - Final Program	145
5305	Registration Staff	1,200
5306	Copying	400
5310	Printing - Badges & Signs	100

5317	Call for Papers 2005	1,500
5320	Audio-Visual Equipment Rental	6,000
5322	Accessibility Services	250
5323	Exempt Participants - Conference Registration	1,000
5325	Equipment Rental & Registration Supplies	1,500
5330	On-Site Telephone	500
5340	Banquet Expenses	7,216
5345	Program Committee Expenses	2,000
5347	Pre-Registration Mailing	950
5350	Stipend & Expenses - Local Arrangements Chair	2,800
5355	Book Exhibit	0
5363	Shipping - Registration Materials	1,000
5367	Hotel - Meeting Room Rental	500
5368	ABS - Co-sponsored Reception	300
5370	Travel Expenses - Executive Office	1,516
5375	Reception & Catering	10,000
5377	Annual Meeting - Transportation	475
5378	Annual Meeting - Restaurant Guides - ASA	600
5385	Annual Meeting - Insurance	250
5388	Meeting Manager - Fringe Benefits	0
5389	AIDS Fundraiser Expenses	1,250
5390	Meeting Promotion & Management	10,745
5391	Graduate Student Meeting w/Board Representatives	400
5392	Site Visit - 2007	1,500
5393	Hotel Expenses - Executive Office	2,000
5395	Meals Expenses - Executive Office	500
5396	Pre-Meeting Conference	1,550
5397	Miscellaneous Annual Meeting	850
5398	SSSP Lapel Pins	0
5399	Promotional Registration Materials/Bags	1,450
	Total Annual Meeting Expenses	\$66,496

COMMITTEES

5405	BFA - Postage & Telephone	\$100
5410	BFA - Travel Expenses	2,372
5420	C. Wright Mills Committee (Includes Award)	800
5425	Editorial & Publications Committee	500
5427	Editorial Site Visit	0
5428	Minority Scholarship Committee	1,000
5429	Committee on Committees	100
5430	Permanent Organization Committee (Roster & Travel)	3,350
5435	Membership Committee	200
5445	New Membership Brochures	2,500
5450	Membership Renewal	3,000
5455	Elections Committee & Mailing	1,308
5460	Committee on Standards & Freedom	100
5470	Social Action Award Committee	300

5474	Long Range Planning Committee	2,500
5475	Justice 21 Project	4,846

PROGRAM OF DIVISIONS

5476	Community Research & Development	\$300
5477	Crime & Juvenile Delinquency	600
5478	Drinking & Drugs	600
5479	Educational Problems	600
5480	Environment & Technology	300
5481	Family	581
5482	Health, Health Policy, & Health Services	581
5483	Conflict, Social Action, & Change	555
5484	Labor Studies	441
5485	Poverty, Class, & Inequality	300
5486	Mental Health	490
5487	Racial & Ethnic Minorities	600
5488	Sexual Behavior, Politics, & Communities	400
5489	Social Problems Theory	600
5490	Sociology & Social Welfare	500
5491	Youth, Aging, & the Life Course	300
5492	Law & Society	450
5493	Teaching Social Problems	420
5494	Institutional Ethnography	300
	Total Committees & Program of Divisions Expenses	<hr/> \$31,894

BOARD GOVERNANCE

6000	Board Information Materials	\$350
6010	Travel Expenses - Student Board Representatives	1,000
6020	Airline Ticket - Secretary	0
6030	Hotel Expenses - Board & Officers	2,000
6040	Meal Expenses - Board & Officers	2,500
6050	Board & Officer - General	200
6060	Operations Manual	200
	Total Board Governance Expenses	<hr/> \$6,250

INVESTMENT GAINS AND LOSSES

7000	Unrealized Loss on Investments	
7010	Realized Gain/(Loss) on Investments	
7020	Unrealized Gain on Investments	\$0
7030	Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments - Temp Restrict	0
	Total Investment Gains and Losses	<hr/> 0
		<hr/> \$0

BOARD RESTRICTED EXPENSES

8000	Lee Founders Award Committee	
8010	Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund	
8020	Lee Student Support Fund	\$200
8030	Social Action Award Fund	4,000
8040	Minority Graduate Scholarship Fund	4,000
8050	Travel Expenses - Minority Scholarship	1,000
8060	Erwin Smigel Fund	10,000
8070	Lee Scholar-Activist Carryover (1 year)	1,000
8998	Transfer Out - Restricted Life Memberships	1,500
9999	Suspense	2,010
		0
	Total Board Restricted Expenses	0

TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

 \$23,710

TOTAL PROPOSED INCOME FOR 2004	\$496,283
TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENSES FOR 2004	
TOTAL PROJECTED DEFICIT FOR 2004	\$463,698
	\$496,283
	-\$32,585



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

**The Board of Directors of
The Society for the Study of Social Problems, Inc.:**

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of The Society for the Study of Social Problems, Inc. as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Society's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Society for the Study of Social Problems, Inc. as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Lattimore Black Morgan & Cain P.C.

**Knoxville, Tennessee
April 15, 2004**

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THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.

Statements of Financial Position

December 31, 2003 and 2002

<u>Assets</u>		
	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 65,750	\$ 19,862
Investments	434,158	399,448
Accounts receivable - UC Press	130,681	141,916
Prepaid expenses	61,972	64,559
Equipment, net	<u>8,162</u>	<u>2,939</u>
Total assets	\$ <u>700,723</u>	\$ <u>628,724</u>
<u>Liabilities and Net Assets</u>		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 46,174	\$ 33,787
Deferred revenue	<u>217,632</u>	<u>221,062</u>
Total liabilities	<u>263,806</u>	<u>254,849</u>
Net assets:		
Unrestricted	410,517	350,275
Permanently restricted	<u>26,400</u>	<u>23,600</u>
Total net assets	<u>436,917</u>	<u>373,875</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ <u>700,723</u>	\$ <u>628,724</u>

Statements of Activities

Years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Changes in unrestricted net assets:		
Unrestricted revenues, gains, and other support:		
Contributions	\$ 3,901	\$ 3,646
Annual meeting	50,754	38,546
Journals and publications	271,457	282,168
Membership dues	94,882	100,524
Dividends and interest income	5,935	7,780
Investment income (loss)	59,852	(49,251)
Miscellaneous income	<u>284</u>	<u>422</u>
Total unrestricted revenues, gains, and other support	<u>487,065</u>	<u>383,835</u>
Expenses:		
Executive office	115,671	110,768
Annual meeting	58,270	51,726
Journals and publications	207,493	228,785
Board governance	5,562	4,111
Committees	18,396	19,509
Awards, scholarships, and related expenses	<u>21,431</u>	<u>18,530</u>
Total expenses	<u>426,823</u>	<u>433,429</u>
Increase (decrease) in unrestricted net assets	<u>60,242</u>	<u>(49,594)</u>
Changes in permanently restricted net assets:		
Contributions - Life membership program	<u>2,800</u>	<u>6,000</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets	63,042	(43,594)
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>373,875</u>	<u>417,469</u>
Net assets at end of year	\$ <u>436,917</u>	\$ <u>373,875</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.

Statements of Cash Flows

Years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ 63,042	\$ (43,594)
Adjustments to reconcile changes in net assets to cash flows provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation	4,577	1,980
(Gain) loss on disposal of equipment	(100)	-
Investment income (loss)	(59,852)	49,251
Permanently restricted contributions received	(2,800)	(6,000)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	11,235	2,777
Prepaid expenses	2,587	(17,042)
Accounts payable	12,387	(1,319)
Deferred revenue	<u>(3,430)</u>	<u>(4,107)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>27,646</u>	<u>(18,054)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment	100	-
Purchases of equipment	(9,800)	(2,418)
Proceeds from sale of investments	101,000	22,010
Purchases of investments	<u>(75,858)</u>	<u>(57,587)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	<u>15,442</u>	<u>(37,995)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Collection of restricted contributions for life membership	<u>2,800</u>	<u>6,000</u>
Net cash used by financing activities	<u>2,800</u>	<u>6,000</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	45,888	(50,049)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>19,862</u>	<u>69,911</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 65,750</u>	<u>\$ 19,862</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.**Notes to the Financial Statements****December 31, 2003 and 2002****(1) Nature of operations**

Founded in 1951, The Society for the Study of Social Problems, Inc. (the "Society") promotes research on and serious examination of problems of social life. The Society works to solve these problems and develop social policy based on knowledge. The Society is primarily supported through membership dues and subscriptions for its journal and publications.

(2) Summary of significant accounting policies

The financial statements of the Society are presented on the accrual basis. The significant accounting policies followed are described below.

(a) Basis of presentation

Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the Society and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Unrestricted net assets - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

Temporarily restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met either by actions of the Society and/or the passage of time. The Society does not currently have any temporarily restricted net assets.

Permanently restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the Society.

All contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Amounts received that are designated for future periods or restricted by the donor for specific purposes are reported as temporarily restricted or permanently restricted support that increases those net asset classifications. However, if a restriction is fulfilled in the same time period in which the contribution is received, the Society reports the support as unrestricted.

(b) Cash equivalents

The Society considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of less than three months to be cash equivalents.

(c) Investments

Investments consist primarily of mutual funds with readily determinable fair values and certificates of deposit, which are shown at their fair values in the statements of financial position. Investment income consists of interest, dividends, and realized and unrealized gains and losses, net of investment expenses. Investment income is reported in the period earned as an increase in unrestricted net assets unless the use of the assets received is limited by donor-imposed restrictions.

(d) Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable - UC Press are uncollateralized obligations due under the terms as set forth in the UC Press agreement as disclosed at footnote 5, in which UC Press collects the subscription fees and remits them to the Society approximately two months from the receipt of the subscription fees. The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced by a valuation allowance, if necessary, which reflects management's best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected.

(e) Equipment

Equipment is stated at cost. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method, generally three to five years.

Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are expensed when incurred. Expenditures for renewals or betterments are capitalized. When property is retired or sold, the cost and the related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is included in operations.

(f) Deferred revenue

Subscription and membership dues received in advance are recorded as deferred revenues and recognized as income when earned.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2003 and 2002

(g) Income taxes

The Society is exempt from federal income taxes under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and, accordingly, no provision for income taxes is included in the financial statements.

(h) Revenue recognition

Revenues for journals and publications and dues are recognized ratably throughout the subscription or membership period. Other revenues are recognized as earned.

(i) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(j) Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2002 financial statements in order for them to conform to the 2003 presentation. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or changes in net assets as previously reported.

(3) Investments

A summary of investments, stated at fair value, as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 is as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Mutual funds	\$ 384,158	\$ 299,448
Certificates of deposit	<u>50,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
	<u>\$ 434,158</u>	<u>\$ 399,448</u>

(4) Equipment

A summary of equipment as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 is as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Computer equipment	\$ 16,258	\$ 10,397
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(8,096)</u>	<u>(7,458)</u>
	<u>\$ 8,162</u>	<u>\$ 2,939</u>

THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2003 and 2002

(5) Contractual agreements

The Society has entered into an agreement with the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Department of Sociology of the College of Arts and Sciences, whereby the Society agrees to serve as an intellectual and professional resource in exchange for access to the University's resources, free office space, and overhead expenses for the Society's executive office. This agreement is renewable on an annual basis each January. The current agreement expires on December 31, 2004 and is expected to be renewed when due.

The Society uses the University's purchasing and disbursing services. Unreimbursed expenses owed to the University from the Society were \$12,517 and \$5,611 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. These amounts are included in accounts payable.

The Society has entered into an agreement with the University of California Press ("UC Press"). Under this agreement, UC Press serves as the publisher of *Social Problems*, a quarterly journal sponsored by the Society. The Society currently utilizes UC Press as the sole publisher of *Social Problems*. Management believes that, if necessary, an alternate publisher could be obtained. However, unexpected events could cause a delay in publication, and accordingly, a possible loss of sales.

Subscriptions to *Social Problems* are charged on an annual basis. *Social Problems* is distributed to library subscribers and Society members. Library subscriptions are administered and collected by UC Press and remitted to the Society, less the agreed upon UC Press fee, approximately two months after receipt. Accordingly, accounts receivable from UC Press relate to subscriptions collected before year end, which will not be remitted to the Society until the following year. Subscription revenues collected in the current year for the following year are appropriately deferred and recognized as earned. Society memberships, which include a one year subscription to *Social Problems*, are remitted directly to the Society. The Society is billed for the direct operating expenses incurred in publishing the journals for members. These expenses for the final publication of the current year are not paid until the following year, and thus are included in accounts payable at December 31, 2003 and 2002.

The current UC Press agreement expires on December 31, 2004. A new agreement, expiring on December 31, 2009, was signed on June 18, 2003. This agreement will be automatically extended for subsequent periods of five years each unless request for revisions or notice of termination is submitted in writing by either party to the other not later than the first of July, eighteen months preceding the date of expiration.

(6) Board designated assets

The Erwin O. Smigel Fund was established in 1976 to expand employment opportunities in the field of sociology. The designated funds and future contributions will be used to develop information for unemployed and underemployed colleagues in their efforts to find work and to enable such colleagues to attend the annual meeting.

The Lee Founders Award was established in 1981. This annual award recognizes significant achievements that consistently promote the ideals of the founders of the Society and especially the humanistic tradition, as exemplified in the contributions of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee. The designated funds and future contributions will be used to purchase a plaque for the winner. The Social Action Award Fund was established in 1990. This award is given annually to an organization in the area where the Society holds their annual meeting. The designated funds and future contributions will be used to pay an award to the organization selected that has a history of challenging social inequalities, promoting social change, and/or working toward the empowerment of marginalized people.

The Lee Student Support Fund (formerly the Alfred McClung Lee Support Fund) was established in 1992. The designated funds and future contributions will be used to help defray the cost of conference participation for student members.

The Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund (formerly the Scholar-Activist Support Fund) was established in 1992. The designated funds and future contributions will be used to emphasize support for scholars in countries whose economies are weak and activists who have limited funds to attend the Society's annual meetings.

The C. Wright Mills Award Fund was established in 1964. This annual award is given to the author of the book published in the past year that best exemplifies outstanding social science research and an understanding of the individual and society in the tradition of the distinguished sociologist, C. Wright Mills. The designated funds and future contributions will be used to pay a stipend to the author.

The Minority Graduate Scholarship Fund was established in 1995. This annual fund is given for support of graduate study and commitment to a career of scholar activism. The designated funds and future contributions will be used to provide scholarships to the winners.

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December 31, 2003 and 2002

The respective board designated assets as of December 31, 2003 are as follows:

	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Investments</u>	<u>Total</u>
Erwin O. Smigel Fund	\$ 2,810	\$ -	\$ 2,810
Lee Founders/Social Action Award Fund	6,782	10,337	17,119
Lee Student Support Fund	166	-	166
Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund	238	-	238
C. Wright Mills Award Fund	2,436	-	2,436
Minority Graduate Scholarship Fund	-	255,962	255,962
	<u>\$ 12,432</u>	<u>\$ 266,299</u>	<u>\$ 278,731</u>

The respective board designated assets as of December 31, 2002 are as follows:

	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Investments</u>	<u>Total</u>
Erwin O. Smigel Fund	\$ 2,763	\$ -	\$ 2,763
Lee Founders/Social Action Award Fund	6,167	9,478	15,645
Lee Student Support Fund	93	-	93
Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund	72	-	72
C. Wright Mills Award Fund	2,022	-	2,022
Minority Graduate Scholarship Fund	-	219,080	219,080
	<u>\$ 11,117</u>	<u>\$ 228,558</u>	<u>\$ 239,675</u>

All of the above board designated amounts are included in unrestricted net assets on the statements of financial position for each respective year.

(7) Permanently restricted net assets

In 2000, the Society established the Life Membership Fund. This fund allows members the opportunity to pay \$1,200 for a life membership. One hundred dollars of the \$1,200 is recorded as a payment of dues in the year that the individual becomes a life member. The remaining \$1,100 is placed in an interest and/or dividend bearing account and is not refundable or transferable to another person. The yearly dues of life members will be paid from the account's earnings.

Permanently restricted net assets at December 31, 2003 and 2002 consist of cumulative contributions to the Life Membership Fund of \$26,400 and \$23,600, respectively. The investments held in the Life Membership Fund have a market value of \$26,193 and \$19,857 as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, which is net of an unrealized loss in fair market value of \$207 and \$3,743, respectively, for the years then ended. The unrealized loss has been recorded in the statement of activities in unrestricted revenues, gains and other support as a portion of investment income.

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Interest and/or dividend income from the Life Membership Fund for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 was \$255 and \$343, respectively, and is included in unrestricted revenue since the Society's policy is to record income as unrestricted if any restrictions related to it are met in the same year as the income is earned.

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