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# From The Executive Office

## Tom Hood

The Board of Directors had a full agenda at the 2001 Annual Meeting. You will be able to read about their work in the minutes published elsewhere in this issue. Please allow me to highlight some activities that we will be undertaking in the Executive Office.

First and most important, we are rebidding the contract to publish SOCIAL PROBLEMS. We have been very happy with the University of California Press, but we want to make sure that we have the best possible contract for you our members. Electronic publishing is changing the way in which books and articles are distributed. Our journal is a major source of income for the Society and makes possible a number of other activities. Peter Conrad, Chair of the Editorial and Publications Committee will chair the Review Committee. Ronald Troyer, Treasurer, and I will serve as committee members. If you have publishers that you would like us to approach for a bid, please let us know. We are preparing the bid specifications and will solicit bids around the first of next year. If you have specifications or problems that you believe should be discussed, let us hear from you. We plan to have a recommendation ready for the Editorial and Publications Committee and the Board of Directors by the 2002 annual meeting.

Second, we have been approached by the Teaching Learning Network to make a thirty minute nationally broadcast feature on SSSP to be shown on PBS around the country. The "Bridge to One World" series features such organizations as The Boy Scouts of America, The World Wildlife Fund, National Coalition for the Homeless, The Manhattan Institute, The National Center on Physical Activity and Disability, CARE, Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Elderhostel, Inc., and a variety of other national and regional organizations and foundations representing a wide range of liberal and conservative views on issues and problems that our members have investigated. The Board has authorized me to form a committee of interested members to investigate how we might use such a video to make SSSP and its activities more visible to the public and to determine how we would raise the Society's portion of the production cost. Most of the cost is born by sponsors located by the Teaching Learning Network. The Society would have to provide approximately \$64,000 of the production costs. The Teaching Learning Network can supply help in raising this money should the committee recommend and the Board decide to participate in the series. Stephen Pfohl, Past President, has agreed to work with me on this investigative committee. If you have an interest in serving on the committee or ideas that you want us to consider, please contact me at tomhood@utk.edu.

Third, the Board approved further investigation of Past President Robert Perrucci's idea outlined in his article in the

Summer, 2001 SSSP Newsletter. This idea would not only increase the visibility of the Society but also would provide a way to enter the debate surrounding the next Presidential Election. Perrucci's proposal for a new publication, "Agenda for Social Justice 2004," would report to the nation in jargon free language on "some of the nation's most pressing social problems." The proposal calls for soliciting the Special Problems Divisions to submit proposals for a chapter. Each chapter would identify a particular problem and address the questions, "What do we know? How do we know it? What is to be done? The emphasis should be on research evidence and the ability to speak with confidence about alternatives to existing social arrangements." The Board referred the proposal to the Editorial and Publications Committee to work on with the idea of making it happen. If you or your division is interested in contributing to this work and helping the idea happen, please review Perrucci's two page statement in the last SSSP Newsletter and drop a note to a member of the Editorial and Publications Committee or to the Executive Office.

Fourth, the Board specifically instructed the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee to investigate the support for various options for the annual meetings which have been discussed in recent years. Because we meet in the same city and with two days of overlap with ASA (the American Sociological Association) those individuals with responsibilities in both organizations often experience conflicts but save the cost of travel to two different meetings. Because many members of SSSP are sociologists, they have an interest in the activities and paper sessions that cluster around the national organization of sociologists. Further, historically SSSP began as a reform movement started by ASA members and this gives them an opportunity to represent other views than those currently in play in the larger organization. In spite of all these reasons, meeting in a smaller city away from ASA would provide an opportunity for more persons on a limited budget to attend. We could investigate meeting on a university or college campus as well. The Society for the Social Psychological Study of Social Issues has developed a pattern of meeting one year with the American Psychological Association and on alternate years at a different time and place than the APA. This model has been discussed among some SSSP members. Some people have said that we are large enough and independent enough to sever our ties with ASA and allow those people who want to do both to pay the expense of both. Other persons have suggested that given greater communication via the internet we might want to do our general meeting only every other year with ASA and on alternate years organize conferences focused on one or a limited number of topics. Since the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee has not yet completed its questionnaire, this is the time each of you can suggest items

to them. You will be able to express your concerns about investing Society resources in financing the loss that we take each year at an annual meeting. (The registration fees and other fees collected do not cover the cost of holding an annual meeting.) You will be able to express your opinion about negotiating a hotel contract that includes rebates to the Society on each room booked as a way of collecting more money to finance the meeting. Please contribute your ideas on what should be asked soon to either the Executive Office or John Alessio, Chair of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee, [alessio@es.marywood.edu](mailto:alessio@es.marywood.edu).

Many of you know that our Administrative Officer, Michele Koontz, will be delivering a baby boy at the end of October and will be on maternity leave for three months. We are very happy for her and expect her to come back as rested as one

can when having a new baby. We will miss Michele's efficiency, organization and follow through in the months of November, December and January. Lisa Anne Zilney and I will be performing the duties in the Executive Office with the assistance of our accounting/auditing firm Pugh and Company. Please be tolerant of some delays as we work through this period. Thank you very much for all of your support for the Executive Office and your work for SSSP. Do not forget to answer the membership renewal letter. Work for peace in a world that seems to be emphasizing difference and terror. Best wishes for the holiday season and the new year.

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## *IN MEMORY* *S. Stansfeld Sargent* *1906 - 2000*

*It is not often that a psychologist can be described as both a social activist and a clinician. However, Stan Sargent was a founding member of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues [and a member of the SSSP for many years.] He was a clinical psychologist who focused on issues of aging long before they had the cachet they hold in 2001.*

*Stan was born in Philadelphia on August 2, 1906. He earned his BA in history from Haverford College in 1927, his MA in political science from the University of Pennsylvania in 1929, and his Ph.D in psychology from Columbia in 1940.*

*His professional career was marked by variety. He taught at the old Central YMCA College in Chicago (now Roosevelt University) after earning his MA. After earning his PH.D, he remained at Columbia for fifteen years. In 1955-56, Stan retrained as a clinical psychologist at UCLA. He served as the staff clinical psychologist at the Phoenix VA Hospital from 1956-1968. After retirement, Stan became involved for the remainder of his life in the mental health issues of older adults.*

*His professional service included the presidencies of SPSSI, the Association for Humanistic Psychology, and the Arizona Psychological Association. Two of his important publications were Social Psychology (1966) and Nontraditional Therapy and Counseling with the Aging (1980).*

*Stan's social research and activism centered on making the world a more humane place. In the early 1950s he served on the plaintiff's advisory board in the well-known Brown v. Board of Education case. He remained active in social causes until his death. Stan died on September 7, 2000 and is survived by his two sons.*

# Presidential Series:

## In Defense of Scholarship in SSSP

Joel Best

### How I Joined SSSP

In the spring of 1966, I was 19 years old, a student at the University of Minnesota. At that time, the University had the country's largest campus: upper-division classes with 100-200 students were routine; we took multiple-choice tests or, if we wrote essays or term papers, they were graded by grad students. I don't believe I ever wrote a word while I was majoring in sociology that was read by anyone with a Ph.D. in the field.

That spring, I was enrolled in Soc. 121 (Advanced Social Psychology) taught by Arnold Rose. It would prove to be the most important class I took as an undergraduate. This was not, I'm afraid, because of anything Professor Rose said in that class. I had already taken his Soc. 120 (Social Psychology) class, and had thought it excellent. He was Minnesota's most prominent sociologist, a distinguished man of gentle demeanor, who presented informative, clearly organized lectures. However, his Advanced Social Psychology addressed a set of topics that made little impression on me (e.g., I recall his spending an awful lot of time on voluntary organizations—a subject that, I confess, has yet to strike a responsive chord within me).

What proved to be important about the class was the term paper assignment. Rose, like some other Minnesota faculty, often managed to require one of his own books for his courses. Since he had not written an advanced social psychology book, we found ourselves assigned his Theory and Method in the Social Sciences (1954). The book was a collection of his previously published articles—from the late 40s and early 50s—mostly theoretical pieces wherein he developed sets of propositions or hypotheses on various topics. Our term paper assignment was to select one hypothesis, and comb the library to find information that could be used to assess it. The term paper would count for a large share (all?—I don't remember) of our grade.

I had a lot riding on this course. For one thing, I already aspired to become a sociologist, and I thought that I wanted to specialize in social psychology, so it would have been devastating to do poorly in this particular class. Also, I was very conscious that there were graduate students enrolled in the class. I didn't have much experience with grad students, but I assumed they must be far smarter and more knowledgeable than I was, and, as I recall, Rose said both undergraduates and grad students would be graded on the same scale—so I was going to have to compete with them for grades.

I took that assignment very seriously. I no longer remember which hypothesis I selected, but I picked one, and I started tunneling through the stacks of Walter Library. It was an illuminating experience. I discovered professional journals and the ways to locate information in them—Psychological Abstracts and the International Index and so on. Back in the days when there were no electronic databases or search engines, this knowledge was hard-won. One source's footnotes led to another source; one topic led me to consider others. (I remember at one point trying to find information on hermits.) By the time the quarter ended, I had learned my most valuable undergraduate lesson: how to really use a library. (I also learned a lesson about grad students when I turned in my paper: it was more than 40 pages long; I was shocked to see some of the grad students turning in papers that ran less than 10 pages.) In addition, I had discovered many of the principal journals in the field—ASR and AJS, Sociometry and Sociology and Social Research—and Social Problems.

Social Problems made a huge impression on me. There were a couple of years of back issues on the current periodical shelf, so I was introduced to the journal by glancing through some of the issues edited by Howard S. Becker. About that time, I bought Becker's collection on deviance, The Other Side, and I discovered that all of the wonderful pieces it contained had first appeared in Social Problems. In those days, Social Problems was decidedly not your father's sociology journal.

I was starting to think about applying for grad school, and I figured I ought to start subscribing to some journals. I assumed that I ought to read ASR and AJS, but I thought that Social Problems looked like the most interesting journal out there, so I decided to subscribe to it as well. I discovered that a subscription would cost \$5—but, I could also get the journal for only \$3 if I became a (non-voting) student member of something called the Society for the Study of Social Problems. So I joined.

Being a member of SSSP meant that I started getting stuff besides the journal in the mail. One thing that fascinated me was the preliminary program for the annual meeting. I had seen footnotes indicating that articles had originally “been presented” at different conferences, and now I began to understand how this all worked. In 1969, I attended my first SSSP annual meeting; two years later I gave my first paper—at an SSSP meeting.

### Scholarship and SSSP

It was only much later that I realized that some people in SSSP—including some very prominent people—might have been discomfited by the path I’d taken into membership, might even feel that I had entered the organization from the wrong direction, or for the wrong reasons.

A mythology has emerged within SSSP regarding the organization’s origins. SSSP was born in rebellion, of course; it was an overt attempt to break the ASS’s (only later renamed the ASA) stranglehold on the principal venue for presenting scholarly papers. Anyone who reads this newsletter would gain the impression that this rebellion was rooted primarily in SSSP’s founders’ social activism, that their principal objection to the ASA was that it promoted apolitical or establishmentarian research, and that SSSP was intended to be a forum for activist, perhaps radical research. Certainly this is part of the story; these were among the central concerns of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee—and they have emerged as SSSP’s Founding Parents in the origin stories we tell one another (for the authoritative account of the Lees’ role, see Galliher and Galliher 1995). (The Lees even referred to themselves as “the parents of SSSP” [Lee and Lee 1976: 4].)

However, it is possible to recount our founding story in ways that note the importance of other considerations. The Lees certainly played the principal roles in mobilizing and organizing SSSP, but they needed others—not just as members, but other visible sociologists who could give the new organization credibility. In 1951, 21 people attended SSSP’s organizational meeting, and they shared some important characteristics: “18 were either trained or were teaching in the Midwest. About half were Chicago Ph.D.s. [T]hree (including [Alfred] Lee) were teaching at Brooklyn College . . . but prior to becoming the Brooklyn College chairman, [Lee] had taught in the Midwest . . . for 11 years” (Skura 1976: 20).

Why the Midwestern connection, and why, in particular, the links to the University of Chicago? According to Andrew Abbott (1999, 2001), following World War II, Chicago’s faculty found themselves losing influence within the discipline they’d once dominated. The ASS had founded the ASR in order to circumvent the Chicago department’s control over the AJS; control of the ASS had shifted East, as Harvard and Columbia’s departments promoted different theoretical and methodological approaches than those associated with Chicago. Several Chicago sociologists joined the Lees in establishing SSSP because they sought an alternate venue for professional presentations, a forum for varieties of scholarship less favored by the Harvard-Columbia axis. Note SSSP’s first four presidents: Ernest Burgess—a Chicago graduate and a central figure in Chicago sociology (and a former ASS president); Alfred Lee (who of course would become ASA president after a write-in campaign); Herbert Blumer—another Chicago graduate and faculty member (and future ASS president); and Arnold Rose—a Chicago graduate (and future ASA president [who would offer that Advanced Social Psychology course]). These were hardly figures standing far outside the professional (or political) mainstream.

These founders intended that SSSP be a scholarly organization. As Skura (1976: 20) notes: “The SSSP’s scholarly mission was clearly influenced by ‘Chicago’ traditions. . . . But the Society’s strategies were more strongly affected by persons associated with Brooklyn College. . . .” There was from the start—and there remains—a tension between SSSP’s commitment to scholarship and some of its members’ call for activism. (This tension is articulated in the “comments and suggestions” by more than 30 figures prominent in SSSP published in the October, 1976 issue of Social Problems; in addition, several SSSP presidential addresses have been devoted to taking positions in this debate. We have been disagreeing with one another over this issue practically since that initial organizational meeting.) Periodically, this newsletter runs pieces, written sometimes in sorrow, sometimes in anger, that criticize our annual meeting and Social Problems for promoting scholarship at the expense of activism. I disagree.

In my view, SSSP’s success is founded upon our journal’s influence within (and beyond) sociology. This is true in a very practical sense: it is the income earned from publishing Social Problems that keeps our society afloat, that pays our bills and allows us to subsidize student memberships, support minority scholarships, cover the expenses of foreign scholars, and do the other things we want to do. And that income depends upon library subscriptions (Social Problems goes to nearly 2,300 libraries, including about 450 in other countries) and permissions fees from the many people who reprint its articles in printed anthologies and photocopied collections. (Here, the reader is invited to pause and list other sociological journals that are as successful and as well respected, yet adopt a more activist stance. Doesn’t take long, does it?)

Social Problems is not just widely available; it is widely read, its articles are cited and reprinted. Why? There are, I think, several reasons. The quality of the scholarship in the journal has long been--and remains--excellent. Moreover, Social Problems--true to the founders' original vision--remains open to unconventional theoretical approaches and neglected topics. It of course provided the forum in which the labeling theory of deviance and the constructionist stance toward social problems could emerge, but it has also been open to ethnomethodology, feminism, conflict theory, and other emerging viewpoints. In particular, it has often published early theoretical statements, sometimes years before sociology's flagship journals caught on to these developments. And Social Problems publishes articles on topics of current substantive interest. I don't believe, for example, that either ASR or AJS has published a single article on HIV/AIDS during the past twenty years. In contrast, it is a rare issue of Social Problems that does not contain articles addressing issues of contemporary concern. And there is another consideration: articles in Social Problems tend to be written to be read; they are less often hampered by the stylistic conventions that make other journals' contents such tough sledding.

These qualities--strong scholarship, theoretical innovation, substantive importance, and readability--do not, frankly, strike me as things we ought to lament or for which we ought to apologize. Scholarship has always been a central value in SSSP, and I trust it will remain so. Because I suspect that, more than anything else, it is the journal's strength that attracts, not just those library subscriptions, but members to join SSSP. At least that was true in my case.

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## **Call for Papers: Special Issue on Gender, Crime and (In)Justice**

### *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*

The *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* announces a Call for Papers for a special issue on Ethnographic Perspectives on Gender, Crime and (In)Justice. The issue will focus on problems related to gender inequality, situated femininities/masculinities, and their relations to crime, juvenile delinquency, and justice. In addition to traditional topics within criminology and criminal justice, the themes of crime and justice will be considered broadly to include legal, human rights, and labor issues associated with the commercial sex industry and other criminalized activities, as well as issues facing women in prison. As *JCE* increasingly includes a global perspective, we encourage submissions based on international research.

All papers will be peer reviewed. If you are unsure whether your topic or research is suitable, or are interested in reviewing for this issue, contact the Special Issue Editor, Jody Miller, via e-mail at [millerja@msx.umsl.edu](mailto:millerja@msx.umsl.edu) or phone at 314-516-5426.

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# ESSAY: PRESIDENTIAL COMMENDATION AWARDED TO

## WITHOUT SANCTUARY

Gary Alan Fine  
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As a member of the 2001 C. Wright Mills Award Committee, SSSP President John Galliher asked me to write this tribute, supporting his awarding of a SSSP Presidential Commendation to a unique and powerful book, Without Sanctuary: Lynching Photography in America by James Allen and Leon Litwack, with commentary by Hilton Als and Congressman John Lewis (Twin Palms Publishers, 2000). I am pleased to accept his request to present this remarkable publication.

Such a special and unusual commendation deserves some brief explanation. Without Sanctuary was nominated for the C. Wright Mills Award. Members of the committee realized that this book did not meet the standard requirements for the Mills Award, being primarily a work of visual documentation without much of the scholarly apparatus and references typical of the books that have previously won the Mills Award. Yet, certain members of the committee felt this work was so moving and important that it should not be ignored, even if it was not academic in a narrow sense. After deliberations with President Galliher, he decided to award a Presidential Commendation to Without Sanctuary at the SSSP Business Meeting with notice published in the SSSP Newsletter.

What is all the fuss about? Quite simply Without Sanctuary is an essential document of which all members of our organization should be aware. C. Wright Mills emphasized the importance of the "sociological imagination," a dictum that we all strive to achieve in our writing and teaching. Mills wanted us to realize that individual troubles were inextricably linked to social problems, and that it is through an examination of life circumstances that social structural concerns can be delineated. Our job is to uncover the systematic and systemic features of the unexamined world. Without Sanctuary is an exemplary case study of the sociological imagination, allowing us to see the pathology of American race relations as reflected in the actions of individuals, crowds, and communities.

In some regards, Without Sanctuary is a deceptively simple book. It is a collection of nearly 100 postcards and photographs from the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Most of the images depict lynchings. Most - but not all - are of black men (there are some white men and black women who were lynched), and most - but not all - from the South. The images were discovered and organized by James Allen - a "picker" - an antiques and folk art dealer who travels from town to town, looking for objects that he can sell to other dealers. He presents notes on each of the plates in the book.

We are forced to view images of hangings, burnings, castrations, and torture - what Congressman Lewis labels an American holocaust. Seeing all these dead and disfigured bodies is disturbing and disheartening enough, but what gives the images their particular and peculiar power is the fact that the images are so taken-for-granted by their creators. Many are images sold as souvenirs: recognition that people - a large number of them - wanted to be, in Goffman's terms, "where the action is." These popular culture artefacts could be marketed because for the audience there was nothing wrong with these images, and, indeed, for many these lynchings were a virtuous form of "rough justice." That the lynchings are not ashamed, that the crowds are contented, reminds us that, in the words of Stewart Tolnay and E. M. Beck, our leading sociological experts of this form of collective behavior, we are observing "a festival of violence." Festive, it often was. Consider the following account of a lynching from Fayette County, Tennessee in 1915: "Hundreds of kodaks clicked all morning at the scene of the lynching. People in automobiles and carriages came from miles around to view the corpse dangling from the end of a rope....Women and children were there by the score. At a number of country schools the day's routine was delayed until boy and girl pupils could get back from viewing the lynched man" (p. 11).

It is not the lynched bodies themselves that make the argument, but the respectable bodies that surround those bodies. The fact that these are images with all of the power that our colleagues in "visual sociology" have explained are present in pictures, gives them a detailed texture and hard reality that words alone could not have had. Leon Litwack sets the images into their context, but it is the images that burn and scream.

No one who examines this book can escape the fundamental brutality of the history of American violence and racism - its normality. We are not permitted to make excuses or romanticize the past. The images were felt to reveal Americans at their best - not at that their worst. Let us never forget.



Some readers may be troubled by the fact that these disfigured, often naked, bodies are identified by name, their privacy further undercut. Indeed, this is true. Perhaps it might be argued that we too have become voyeurs. If our gaze is not as destructive as those at the lynching itself, it should properly make us uncomfortable. Should there be a code of ethics for presentation of historical documents? I don't know the answer to this question, but perhaps this debate will be another outcome of this volume.

Children are present at several of the lynchings depicted in the photographs, and their presence was deemed normal and, perhaps, educational. However, a century later, most parents would consider the images in this volume to be excessively disturbing for most younger children.

This may be the most disturbing and powerful book I have read. It demands that we not avert our eyes from our dirty past, and, as a result, the images will continue to reverberate in our dreams. We can not escape the fact that in America, everything, even our national shame, is a commodity. Thankfully collectors force us not to forget. This is a volume that should be owned by all those who profess concern for racial justice and the amelioration of social problems.

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## **Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) Social Science Division**

The Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) officially welcomed its new social sciences division at its annual meeting June 20-23, 2001. Elizabeth Paul of The College of New Jersey and Julio Rivera of Carthage College were elected co-chairs of the division. Dr. Paul engages undergraduates in research on youths' risky sexual behavior, including community-based research on urban youth. Dr. Rivera's work examines differences in human interpretations of map data from GIS analysis.

CUR is a national non-profit organization that supports and promotes high-quality undergraduate research and scholarship. Focused on the belief that faculty-student collaborative research, along with investigative teaching strategies, greatly enhances undergraduate education, CUR generates awareness and national support for undergraduate research. Benefits enjoyed by our 3,000+ individual members include receipt of timely information concerning undergraduate research, discounts on publications, and the opportunity to hold leadership roles. These members represent about 850 institutions from across the country, forming a nation-wide network of individuals dedicated to supporting our goals.

The organization benefits from the expertise of our new Social Science council members, including geographers, economists, sociologists, criminologists, and other disciplines among the social sciences. The 14 elected councilors from across the nation include leaders of disciplinary and interdisciplinary undergraduate research programs, scholars who have published with undergraduate researchers, recipients of national undergraduate research grants, and consultants to private industry, government, non-profit organizations, and institutions of higher education.

The group established the following priorities for the first year:

- (1) recruiting new members and councilors from a broad range of social sciences
- (2) establishing connections with social science professional organizations and funding sources
- (3) assuring the representation of the social sciences in the upcoming CUR 2002 conference and CUR publications
- (4) developing a Social Science Division web site as a resource for and place for exchange among social scientists committed to research that includes undergraduates

We invite you to join us in this endeavor to enrich faculty and student academic lives. For further information, visit the CUR web site at <http://www.cur.org>, or contact the CUR National Office at [cur@cur.org](mailto:cur@cur.org), Dr. Paul at [bethpaul@tcnj.edu](mailto:bethpaul@tcnj.edu), or Dr. Rivera at [julio@carthage.edu](mailto:julio@carthage.edu).

**Minutes of the 2000-2001 SSSP Board of Directors Meeting  
August 16, 2001, Anaheim, California**

Meeting was called to order by President John Galliher. Persons in attendance were introduced. John Galliher announced the AIDS benefit fundraiser with the Butler Street Blues Band and the silent auction of artwork that has been donated.

The agenda was adopted as revised to include a report of the audit of SSSP finances.

#### **ELECTIONS AND MINUTES**

Election results were announced by Tom Hood.

**MOTION: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS AND THE ANNUAL MEETING IN WASHINGTON, DC AS PRINTED IN THE FALL 2000 NEWSLETTER BE APPROVED.  
SECONDED. PASSED.**

Steve Barkan was named as the Board of Directors representative to the Nominations Committee.

#### **2001 ANNUAL MEETING**

A written report of the Program Committee, chaired by Lionel Maldonado, was received.

Valerie Jenness presented the written report of the Local Arrangements Committee, noting the problems encountered in meeting the requirements of cost, unionization, location, and accessibility. It was received with appreciation.

Michele Koontz discussed her written report of arrangements for the annual meeting, and introduced Lisa Anne Zilney, who will be continuing to work in the SSSP office next year. Lisa will assume some additional administrative responsibilities during Michele's maternity leave. The annual meeting has 85 sessions with 288 papers and 28 panelists scheduled, though preregistrations are below last year. Collection of preregistration fees from program participants remains a problem. The Library of Social Science is managing the book exhibit that contains more than 350 books from 37 publishers. Discussion followed regarding non registrants and other issues.

**MOTION: THAT THE SSSP OFFICE IDENTIFY, AT THE END OF EACH ANNUAL MEETING THOSE PARTICIPANTS WHO FAILED TO PAY REGISTRATION FEES. THOSE NON-PAYING PARTICIPANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED NEXT YEAR, IF THEY SUBMIT PROPOSALS FOR THE PROGRAM, THAT IF THEY DO NOT PAY THE PRE-REGISTRATION FEES THEY DEFINITELY WILL NOT BE PLACED ON THE PROGRAM. SECONDED. PASSED.**

**MOTION: THAT THE BANQUET BE HELD IN THE CONVENTION HOTEL EACH YEAR.  
SECONDED. PASSED.**

**MOTION: THAT THE SSSP OFFICE CHECK WITH SOCIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS TO SEE IF PAPERS CAN BE PLACED IN THE DATA FILE WITHOUT PURCHASING PRINTED COPIES; IF THEY CANNOT, THE OFFICE WILL CHECK ON THE COST OF PURCHASE AND THEN SURVEY ANNUAL MEETING ATTENDEES THROUGH THE INCLUSION OF A QUESTION ON THE REGISTRATION FORM CONCERNING THEIR WILLINGNESS TO PURCHASE SOCIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS AT PERSONAL COST. SECONDED. PASSED.**

#### **FINANCIAL ISSUES**

Treasurer Ronald Troyer reported that the SSSP is generally in sound financial condition, though there has been a decrease in assets during the past year due to the decline in the value of investments. Operational expenses have continued to exceed income, but this cannot continue indefinitely. Special appreciation was expressed to Tom Hood and Michele Koontz for their diligence in dealing with expenses.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT OF THE TREASURER BE ACCEPTED.  
SECONDED. PASSED.**

The audit from Pugh and Co. was presented for consideration. Ron Troyer noted that the letter attached to the audit continues to indicate that the problem of segregation of duties within the executive office continues, but that it is a situation that small organizations necessarily have.

**MOTION: THAT THE AUDIT REPORT FROM PUGH AND CO. BE APPROVED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

Rebecca Simon, University of California Press, discussed her written report, with a recommendation regarding the subscription rate.

**MOTION: THAT THE INSTITUTIONAL AND NONMEMBER SUBSCRIPTION RATE TO SOCIAL PROBLEMS BE INCREASED TO \$120, BEGINNING WITH THE 2003 CALENDAR YEAR.  
SECONDED. PASSED.**

Florence Bonner, Chair of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, introduced Martha Hargraves, Chair elect, and then discussed the revised, amended budget for 2001, with a projected deficit of \$27,346. Discussion of the budgeting process and financial condition of the SSSP followed.

**MOTION: THAT THE AMENDED BUDGET FOR 2001 AS PRESENTED BE APPROVED.  
SECONDED. PASSED.**

The statement of proposed guidelines for investment of SSSP funds was presented and discussed.

**MOTION: THAT THE GUIDELINES FOR INVESTING SSSP RESERVE FUNDS IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS BE ADOPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

Susan Carlson, Investment Advisor to the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee gave an overview of the SSSP investments. The report indicated a net loss during the last year of approximately \$25,000 in value of these investments. Despite this paper loss, the financial performance of the Socially Responsible Mutual Funds has been comparable to other mutual funds. Community Development Investments are directed to organizations that economically empower both urban and rural communities in different parts of the nation.

In response to a request by Pugh and Co., auditors, Florence Bonner presented The Society for the Study of Social Problems, Tax Deductible Contributions, for discussion. The list is:

**C. WRIGHT MILLS AWARD:** Established in 1969, 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 money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to pay a \$500 stipend to the author.

**ERWIN O. SMIGEL FUND:** Established in 1976 to expand employment opportunities in the field of sociology. The money that is presently on deposit 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.

**LEE FOUNDERS AWARD:** Established in 1981, this annual award recognizes significant achievements that consistently promote the ideals of the founders of the Society and especially to the humanistic tradition, as exemplified in the contributions of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to purchase a plaque for the winner.

**LEE SCHOLAR-ACTIVIST SUPPORT FUND (FORMERLY THE SCHOLAR-ACTIVIST SUPPORT FUND):** This annual fund was established in 1992 with a minimum of \$2000 from the Society's funds. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to emphasize support for scholars in countries whose economies are weak and activists who have restricted funds to attend our annual meeting.

**LEE STUDENT SUPPORT FUND (FORMERLY THE ALFRED McCLUNG LEE SUPPORT FUND):** This annual fund was established in 1992 with a minimum of \$2000 from the Society's funds. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to help defray the cost of conference participation for student members.

**MINORITY GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP:** Established in 1995, this annual fund is given for support of graduate study and commitment to a career of scholar activism. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to provide scholarships to the winners.

**SOCIAL ACTION AWARD:** Established in 1990, this award is given annually to an organization in the area where we are holding our annual meeting. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to pay a \$1000 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.

**SSSP GENERAL FUND:** The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to fund activities of the Society.

[The above uses for each fund are currently in place but are subject to change based on the Society's needs as determined by the Board of Directors]

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP:** Established in 2000, this fund allows members the opportunity to pay \$1200 for a life membership. One hundred dollars of the \$1200 is recorded as dues payment in the year that the individual becomes a life member. The remaining money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be placed in an interest and

dividend bearing account, and is not refundable or capable of being passed on to another person. The yearly dues of life members will be paid from the account's earnings.

**MOTION: THAT THE LIST OF FUNDS FOR TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS BE ADOPTED.  
SECONDED. PASSED.**

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

David Smith presented the report of the Editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS. In the year 2000, 274 manuscripts were received and the cumulative acceptance rate for two years is 9.6%. It was noted that there was a small cost overrun in mailing and that a database is being developed and updated which will be available to the new editors. In general, things are going well in the editorial office.

Stephen Couch presented the report of the Editor of the SSSP Newsletter. The Newsletter will have a new name, SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM: THE SSSP NEWSLETTER, and a new look beginning with the Winter 2001 issue. It also will include a letters column, substantive articles, and book and film reviews.

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Tom Hood presented a detailed written and oral report, noting that Michele will be on maternity leave for several weeks, necessitating some changes in the operation of the Executive Office. Tom expressed appreciation for the work that the committees have done this year. The current contract with the University of California Press to publish SOCIAL PROBLEMS requires that it be reconsidered 18 months before the termination date or it will be extended automatically. Tom recommended that competitive bids be solicited during the next year, and discussion followed.

**MOTION: THAT A COMMITTEE, COMPRISED OF THE CHAIR OF THE EDITORIAL AND PUBLICATION COMMITTEE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE TREASURER, SOLICIT COMPETITIVE BIDS FROM PUBLISHERS FOR SOCIAL PROBLEMS. SECONDED. PASSED.**

Tom Hood presented information from The Teaching Learning Network regarding the possibility of a television program for outreach and publicity of SSSP, which would be broadcast on public television. Discussion focused on funds needed, relative benefits, and methods of presenting SSSP to the public at large.

**MOTION: THAT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER CREATE A COMMITTEE OF MEMBERS OF SSSP WHO ARE INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF WORKING WITH THE TEACHING LEARNING NETWORK AND REPORT AT THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

John Galliher called attention to the article from the New York Times Magazine of June 17, 2001, MUBARAK REGIME IS NOW ON TRIAL IN EGYPT, suggesting that it be read for discussion later. Additional information from Amnesty International also was presented, and it was suggested that the resolutions committee consider this issue. Meeting was adjourned.

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### **Minutes of the 2000-2001 SSSP Board of Directors Meeting August 17, 2001, Anaheim, California**

Meeting was called to order by President John Galliher.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Lee Student Support Fund [formerly the Alfred McClung Lee Fund] Committee submitted a written report for filing. Twenty applications for funding were received, and each applicant was given \$200 to assist them in attending the meeting.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The C. Wright Mills Committee filed a written report. Seventy-six books were nominated, each committee member read approximately 22 books, leading to the selection of four finalists. The winner of the award is Michele Lamont, for her book

**DIGNITY OF WORKING MEN: MORALITY AND THE BOUNDARIES OF RACE, CLASS, AND IMMIGRATION. MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee presented a written report, noting that few applications were received, that the sole applicant received the maximum award.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The written report of the Membership Committee was presented. As of June 30, 2001, SSSP had 1,569 members, but 537 members in 2000 had not paid 2001 dues. Discussion followed concerning ways to maintain and increase membership.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The report of the Minority Scholarship Fund Committee was discussed. Concern was expressed that the pool of applicants has not increased.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The written report of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee included a recommendation that a survey of members regarding options for annual meetings be conducted. Extended discussion of the annual meeting, participation, and likely impact of a survey followed.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED AND APPROVAL BE GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT THE SURVEY. SECONDED. PASSED**

**MOTION: THAT THE BOARD REQUESTS THE PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AND STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER ISSUES REVOLVING AROUND THE ANNUAL MEETING AND DESIGN A QUESTIONNAIRE TO BE ADMINISTERED BY E-MAIL AND REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NEXT YEAR. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The report of the Social Action and Social Action Award Committee was received. Discussion followed concerning the recognition of runner-up applicants.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED, WITHOUT APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AWARD. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The report of the Social Problems Divisions included several concerns including some recognition of student paper winners at the annual banquet, and how to introduce resolutions for consideration.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The report of Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund [formerly the Foreign Scholar-Activist Fund] Committee was received.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The report of the Lee Founders Award Committee was received.

**MOTION: THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Robert Perrucci introduced the proposal generated from his presidential address regarding a course of action to create a work which could have an impact on public policy decisions, which was printed in the SSSP Newsletter of Summer 2001.

The meeting was adjourned.

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### **Minutes of the SSSP Annual Business Meeting August 18, 2001, Anaheim, California**

The meeting was called to order by President John Galliher. He expressed appreciation for the work of Michele Koontz, and to Tom Hood for his judgment in hiring her and for his work with SSSP, to Valerie Jenness as Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee, and to Lionel Maldonado, Chair of the Program Committee.

Dean Knudsen, Secretary, reviewed the minutes of the 2000 Annual Meeting as printed in the Newsletter.

Ron Troyer, Treasurer, reported that the financial condition of SSSP is excellent. As of December 31, 2000, assets were \$468,768, somewhat greater than the annual budget. There was a decrease in assets during 2000, due to the declining value of investments, of \$6644, but we continue to fully fund two minority scholarships from investments. The prudent management of the Executive Office was recognized.

The report of Board of Directors actions was presented by Dean Knudsen.

1. Approved minutes of the Board of Directors meetings and of the Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, as printed in the Newsletter.
2. Took action to notify and then remove persons from the program if they do not preregister for the annual meeting.
3. Agreed to hold the banquet in the convention hotel.
4. Took action to determine the interest in continuing to purchase SOCIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS.
5. Approved an increase in the Institutional and Nonmember subscription rate for SOCIAL PROBLEMS to \$120 beginning with the 2003 year.
6. Adopted guidelines for investing SSSP reserve funds in community financial institutions.
7. Adopted the list of funds for tax deductible contributions.
8. Created a committee to solicit competitive bids from publishers for SOCIAL PROBLEMS.
9. Agreed that the Executive Officer create a committee to explore the possibility of creating a video in cooperation with The Teaching-Learning Network for educational, publicity, and informational use.

David Smith, Editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS, reported that during the last year, 274 articles were submitted, and the journal has an acceptance rate of 9.6%. Issues are now being published on schedule.

Steve Couch, Editor of the NEWSLETTER, announced the new name will be SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM: SSSP NEWSLETTER. It will have a new format during the coming year. Three issues have been published on time, and under budget.

Tom Hood presented the report of the Executive Officer. SOCIAL PROBLEMS will have a new editor, beginning in 2002. The Operations Manual has been completed, and the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee has the responsibility for updating it as needed. Tom indicated that he plans to retire from the University of Tennessee in 2003, which may have some implications for SSSP. The Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee has been asked to assist in determining the best course of action. The University of Tennessee has been exceptionally supportive of SSSP, and should be recognized publicly. Michele will take maternity leave later this fall, and Tom emphasized her many contributions to SSSP. The possible Teaching-Learning Network proposal to develop an educational and publicity video was discussed, and those persons interested in participating were encouraged to contact Tom. Thanks were expressed to members of SSSP for their trust and their work on behalf of SSSP.

Michele Koontz reported that 412 attendees had registered, down 11% from last year but some people are still waiting to register. Thanks were expressed to Joseph Gusfield, Richard Quinney, and Juliet Saltman for their artistic contributions and to the Butler Street Blues Band for their appearance at the AIDS benefit program. Michele introduced Lisa Anne Zilney, who will assume many of her responsibilities during Michele's maternity leave. Thanks also were expressed to the graduate students who donate time in registration in exchange for shared rooms at the meeting. The vote of the Board of Directors to hold banquets at the convention hotel, beginning in 2004, was discussed. More favorable room rates and meeting facilities can be negotiated if SSSP agrees to use the restaurant and other services offered by the hotel. At the conclusion of Michele's report, Pamela Roby expressed appreciation for the work she does, to general applause.

Tom Hood reported that the By Law changes that had been proposed were passed by vote of the membership, and no changes have been proposed.

## RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions were presented by Nancy Jurik, Vice President

1. The members of the Society wish to thank the West Coast Anaheim Hotel staff for our fine accommodations. We particularly recognize Wendy Moore, Convention Services Manager, for her help in organizing our 51<sup>st</sup> annual meeting.

We also thank the many SSSP officers, committee chairs, and members who have made this program possible and who keep the society strong. First, we thank President John Galliher for organizing the 51<sup>st</sup> annual meeting around the theme “Celebrating Diversity and Protecting Human Rights”. Through President Galliher’s leadership, this program is providing many opportunities to recognize and celebrate the exciting diversity in our midst. We also thank the program chair, Lionel Maldonado and the entire program committee, for organizing three days of sessions that systematically examine both barriers and hopes for a just society wherein difference is celebrated rather than exploited and repressed. Special thanks to Valerie Jenness, Local Arrangements Chair, and her committee, Kim Richman, for telling us how LA and Orange County can be both educational and fun.

The Society also expresses its gratitude to all the committee chairs and committee members for their work throughout the year and at this annual meeting. Without the hard work and dedication of these individuals SSSP could not continue. Special thanks to Florence Bonner, outgoing chair of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, and to Susan Carlson, our Investment Advisor, for helping us keep our finances in good shape. Thanks also to the division chairs for helping to organize our fine program, for producing division newsletters, and for sitting on the Nominations Committee. We thank P. J. McGann, chair of the Council of Special Problems Divisions for leadership in the nominations process.

We appreciate the work of SSSP officers including Ron Troyer, Treasurer, and Dean Knudsen, Secretary, as well as that of Board of Directors members—Steven Barkan, Donileen Loseke, Paula Dressel, Irene Padavic, Paula Rodriguez Rust, outgoing board members Phoebe Morgan, and David Rudy, and student representatives Sadie Fischesser and P. Rafael Hernandez-Arias, who is outgoing this year. Thanks to David Smith, Editor of Social Problems and the entire editorial board for continuing to make the journal a success. Thanks to the Editorial and Publications Committee who under the leadership of Anna Santiago, conducted the search for a new editor of SOCIAL PROBLEMS this year. Thank you, Stephen Couch, SSSP Newsletter Editor for a lively and interesting series of newsletters.

We thank the members of the Butler Street Blues Band for their performance at our first annual AIDS fundraiser dance, and also appreciate the generosity of Joseph Gusfield, Richard Quinney, and Juliet Saltman who donated their work to the AIDS Benefit Silent Auction.

Finally, we recognize our Executive Officer, Tom Hood, and Administrative Officer, Michele Smith Koontz for their hard work and commitment to SSSP. Tom’s diligence and knowledge of organizational history continue to inform and inspire SSSP. Michele’s leadership and organizational efficiency keep the SSSP “machine” running smoothly. Their contributions to this society are massive and vital. We are also grateful to graduate assistant, Lisa Anne Zilney, for her support of Tom and Michele and her work for all of us during this year and at these meetings. We thank the University of Tennessee for its continued support of SSSP.

MOTION: THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.

2. On 21 May 2001, The Supreme State Security Court in Cairo sentenced human rights defender Saad Eddin Ibrahim to seven year’s imprisonment. All the 27 other defendants in the same trial were also convicted and received sentences ranging from one-year suspended prison sentence to five year’s imprisonment.

The Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) believes that the imprisonment of Saad Eddin Ibrahim and three of his staff members constitutes a violation of their right to the peaceful expression of their opinion and considers them to be prisoners of conscience. The organization is further concerned that the trial fell short of international standards of fair trial including the right for a full review before a higher tribunal.

The SSSP calls on Egyptian authorities:

To release immediately and unconditionally human rights defenders Saad Eddin Ibrahim, Nadia Muhammad Ahman’Abd al-Nur, Khaled Ahmad Muhammad Fayadh, and Ussama Hashim Hammad’Ali;

To guarantee the rights of Muhammad Hassanein Hassanein’Amara and Magda Ibrahim Al-Bey to be tried before a court that ensures international standards of fair trial, including the right for a full review before a higher tribunal;

To review or abolish legislation that, in violation of international standards, stipulates prison sentences for the exercise of the right to freedom of peaceful expression and association;

To ensure that human rights defenders in Egypt can work freely without interference and harassment in accordance with the spirit of the UN Human Rights Defenders Declaration of 1998.

The SSSP joins other human rights organizations like Amnesty International in calling on the European Union to ensure that all persons, including Saad Eddin Ibrahim and his staff members, can exercise their right to freedom of expression. The European Union (EU) should not tolerate that these prisoners of conscience be imprisoned for having implemented a political awareness project funded by the SU.

The SSSP asks the European Union:

To urge the Egyptian authorities to immediately and unconditionally release Saad Eddin Ibrahim, Nadia Muhammad Ahmad'Abd al-Nur, Khaled Ahmad Muhammad Fayadh and Ussama Hashim Hammad'Ali;

To urge the Egyptian authorities to provide for a legal framework that protects human rights defenders and other civil society activists from being punished for the mere exercise of their rights to freedom of expression and association;

To publicly state that the persecution and detention of human rights defender Saad Eddin Ibrahim and his colleagues contradicts the spirit of the 1995 Barcelona Declaration, which acknowledges the importance of civil society, and the forthcoming Association Agreement with Egypt, which states that the relationship between the partners should be based on respect for international human rights principles.

Be it resolved that letter be sent to EU and Egyptian authorities indicating the preceding demands.

**MOTION: THAT THE RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

3. Whereas the United States Navy has forcibly occupied the island municipality of Vieques, Puerto Rico for over forty years, utilizing 2/3 of its best lands for live ammunition military exercises, and Whereas this colonial practice has resulted in widespread ecological damage, high rates of illnesses including cancers among the local population, as well as the death of an innocent civilian, David Saenz, who was killed by an errant bomb dropped by US Naval forces, and

Whereas US Naval authorities continue to ignore the wishes of thousands of Puerto Ricans who demand the cessation of all military exercises and the total evacuation of foreign forces from Vieques, insisting on new military exercises until the time that President Bush indicates that a unilateral withdrawal should take place, and

Whereas hundreds of Puerto Ricans as well as US activists and political figures have been arrested, jailed and harassed by Federal police and military forces, solely for protesting this illegal and immoral, colonial occupation of Puerto Rican land, and

Whereas numerous City Councils such as those of New York City, Boston, Springfield, and Cambridge, Massachusetts, Berkeley, California, and the Hawaiian House of Representatives have passed resolutions calling for the US Navy's withdrawal from Vieques, and

Whereas the Governor of Puerto Rico now repeatedly cites the recent referendum held in Vieques as a clear and unmistakable message that the people of Puerto Rico openly reject the continued presence of US forces on Vieques, and

Whereas the United Nations Committee on Decolonization has condemned the continuing US occupation of Vieques and the failure of the United States to respect self-determination of the island of Puerto Rico, so

Be it resolved, consistent with a similar resolution adopted in 2000, that the SSS which supports social justice struggles throughout the world, including the right to self-determination and the necessity for decolonization of the Caribbean, joins with the broad social and political coalition of Puerto Rican cultural, religious, environmental, civic, labor, educational, and community organizations in calling for the immediate cessation of military exercises and the immediate evacuation of US military forces from the island municipality of Vieques, Puerto Rico, and directs its Board of Directors to express these sentiments in a letter directed to the President of the United States and the Defense Department.

**MOTION: THAT THE RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

4. Whereas the SSSP membership has on various occasions in the past expressed its concern to the US State Department for denying visas to Cuban scholars who were scheduled to participate in our annual meeting, mindful that this action blocks the free flow of ideas and denies US sociologists and important opportunity to gather information about Cuban society, and



Whereas the SSSP supports the right of Cuban scholars to travel freely into the US and for US scholars to visit Cuba, and Whereas the SSSP in the past has joined numerous academic, community and religious organizations as well as others in calling for an end to the continuing US embargo against Cuba, most especially because it obstructs the free flow of information between the two societies, and

Whereas the SSSP has been made aware of the State Department practice of frequently delaying their administrative decision concerning the visa applications of Cuban scholars who seek to participate in academic meetings and conferences in the United States, such that their participation often becomes infeasible even when such visas are eventually approved, so

Be it so resolved that the SSSP reaffirms its continuing opposition to the US economic embargo against Cuba and expresses its serious concern over the State Department practice of delaying decisions on the visa applications of Cuban scholars. The Board of Directors of the Society for the Study of Social Problems is hereby directed to express these sentiments of the membership in a letter to the State Department, urgently requesting that all visa applications on the part of Cuban scholars be decided in a timely manner as consistent with US immigration law, and reiterating that our professional membership continues to support the full normalization of relations between the United States and Cuba.

**MOTION: THAT THE RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED. SECONDED. PASSED.**

John Galliher passed the symbol of the Presidency to Joel Best, who announced the theme of next year's meeting: **THE FUTURE OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS**. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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**Minutes of the SSSP Board of Directors Meeting  
August 19, 2001, Anaheim, California**

Meeting was called to order by President Joel Best. Those in attendance were introduced. The agenda was adopted as presented.

**NOMINATIONS**

Ronald Troyer was nominated for Treasurer and Dean Knudsen was nominated for Secretary for the 2002-2003 year by the Board of Directors.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The slate of candidates for various committees was presented in the report of the Committee on Committees. The report was accepted with one addition by common consent of the Board of Directors.

**MOTION: THAT JUDITH GORDON BE ADDED TO THE LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR THE SOCIAL ACTION AND SOCIAL ACTION AWARD COMMITTEE. SECONDED. PASSED.** (This action proved unnecessary on review since on return from Anaheim all nominated members had agreed to serve.)

Slates of potential candidates for President Elect, Vice President Elect, and membership on the Board of Directors, Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, Committee on Committees, and the Editorial and Publications Committee were presented by the Chair of the Council of Division Chairs. Following discussion, the slate of candidates was accepted by acclamation.

In response to the charge given last year to the Council of Division Chairs, P. J. McGann reported that discussion of criteria for defining an active division had resulted in the consideration of a two tier approach. Using minimum criteria, an active division would: 1) hold regular elections, 2) hold paper sessions at the annual meeting, 3) publish a newsletter at least one or two times per year, 4) hold a business meeting at the annual meeting or have an electronic or other forum for conducting business, and 5) minimum number of members, though not defined. A second tier approach would use as criteria:

1) a minimum number of members, 2) paper competition for graduate students, 3) a reception at the annual meeting, and 4) a chair involved with members of the division. Discussion will continue

The student representative, Sadie Fischesser, suggested that the program might include a session on student issues, one of which is how to prepare presentations at the meeting for publication, perhaps through a meeting with SOCIAL PROBLEMS editors. Mentoring was reported to be a good experience, and the program should be expanded.

The budget for 2001-2002 was presented by Martha Hargraves, Chair of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee. Based on the fact that the annual meeting is not self-supporting, and two recommendations were forwarded to council: 1) to allow an increase in the room rate for the convention hotel which would provide a rebate to SSSP, and, 2) to allow actions that will reduce preliminary program costs, such as reduction in size, less information, or electronic distribution. Discussion followed concerning the liabilities of increasing costs of hotels, appropriateness of charging registration fees to cover costs, and possible publications which would provide royalties to SSSP.

**MOTION: THAT THE BUDGET, FINANCE, AND AUDIT COMMITTEE EXPLORE OPTIONS AND BRING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INCREASING MEETING REVENUE TO COVER ANNUAL MEETING COSTS. SECONDED. PASSED.**

**MOTION: THAT THE BUDGET, FINANCE, AND AUDIT COMMITTEE EXPLORE ALTERNATIVES TO THE PRELIMINARY PROGRAM SECONDED. PASSED.**

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Procedures to be followed in communicating the various resolutions passed at the Annual Meeting were discussed and approved by acclamation.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Anna Santiago presented the report of the Editorial and Publications Committee, with recommendations for three year terms for Editors of the SSSP NEWSLETTER and SOCIAL PROBLEMS. Discussion of the process followed in selecting the editors from applicants and the evaluations of proposals.

**MOTION: THAT STEPHEN COUCH BE REAPPOINTED TO A THREE YEAR TERM AS EDITOR OF THE SSSP NEWSLETTER. SECONDED. PASSED.**

**MOTION: THAT JAMES HOLSTEIN OF MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY BE APPOINTED EDITOR OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS. SECONDED. PASSED.**

**MOTION: THAT SSSP CHANGE THE NAME OF THE NEWSLETTER TO SOCIAL PROBLEMS FORUM: THE SSSP NEWSLETTER. SECONDED. PASSED.**

Additional recommendations were presented regarding future editorial searches.

- 1) That print ads in the ASA Footnotes be dropped, 2) That future recruitment strategies begin earlier and include informational sessions, past editors, formal calls in publications, and mentoring of interested individuals, and 3) That sufficient resources be allocated to facilitate transition costs between editorial offices. These recommendations were approved by common consent.

Information regarding the resolution of the Presidential Book Series was presented. After determining that University of California Press is not interested in continuing this series, the committee sent a brief book series prospectus to nine publishers and will meet with publishers at the American Sociological Association book exhibit. A recommendation concerning a publisher is expected in the next few months.

A question regarding increasing the size of the Editorial and Publications Committee was referred to the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee by common consent.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Tom Hood reported that there are no procedures in the Operations Manual for a search for a new Executive Officer. It was agreed by common consent that the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee be asked to develop such procedures.

Several issues were discussed, including the required biennial visit of the Executive Office, the request to the Editorial and Publications Committee that they develop a clear set of guidelines regarding direct financial support expected of host institutions in the call for nominations for editors, and the transmission of minutes of the meetings via email.

It was noted that some of the meeting rooms in the Chicago hotel for the 2002 meetings are not ADA compliant despite the fact that it has been verified as compliant by the City of Chicago. The meetings will require some additional considerations and efforts to accommodate those affected by the lack of the sufficient number of fully accessible meeting rooms.

The proposal by Past President Robert Perrucci to produce AN AGENDA FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE every four years, which would focus on pressing social problems and allow SSSP to articulate a report to the nation was discussed.

**MOTION: THAT THE PERRUCCI PROPOSAL BE REFERRED TO THE EDITORIAL AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE TO EXPLORE MODELS AND MEANS BY WHICH THIS PROPOSAL COULD BE ACHIEVED. SECONDED. PASSED**

A request was received from the Poverty, Class, and Inequality Division for financial assistance to hold a National Forum on Poverty and Inequality at the 2002 meetings. Michele Koontz has had discussions with them concerning administration and registration, and rooms are available. Discussion.

**MOTION: THAT SSSP SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL WITH AN APPROPRIATION OF UP TO \$2000. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The International Coalition Against Sexual Harassment (ICASH) has met with SSSP in alternate years, and wishes to meet with us again in Chicago.

**MOTION: THAT SSSP APPROVE THEIR REQUEST TO MEET WITH US IN CHICAGO. SECONDED. PASSED.**

The meeting was adjourned.

## ***NEW NAME, NEW LOOK ARE COMING***

Don't be surprised when your next SSSP Newsletter arrives. It will have a new name and a new look. Beginning with the Winter 2002 issue (Volume 33, Number 1), you will receive **Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter**. In addition to its new name, the Newsletter will have a more attractive, up-to-date format. Let us know what you think of it. And please help us make this publication a lively forum for exchanging ideas by submitting articles, reviews, letters to the editor, and ideas for thematic issues.

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## 2001 C. Wright Mills Committee Report

The members of the C. Wright Mills Committee for 2000-20001 were: Norma Williams, Chair, Rhys Williams, Chair-Elect, Mary Romero, Peter Hall, Gene Gallagher, Mary Jo Nietz, and Gary Fine.

In the evaluation process, we followed the rules and traditional practices of the Committee, the Executive Office being informed of our activities at each important step of the way.

Seventy-six books were received. During the first stage of the evaluation process, each member was assigned three books, based primarily on the members' areas of expertise or expressed interests. Thus each member read and evaluated approximately 22 books. These evaluations led to the identification of four finalists. These outstanding books were:

1. Javier Auyero, *Poor People's Politics*
2. Edna Bonacich and Richard P. Appelbaum, *Behind the Label: Inequality in the Los Angeles Apparel Industry*
3. Michele Lamont, *Dignity of Working Men: Morality and the Boundaries of Race, Class, and Immigration*
4. Sylvia Noble Tesh, *Uncertain Hazards: Environmental Activists and Scientific Proof*

All members of the Committee read and evaluated these finalists, and a clear-cut winner emerged—namely, Michele Lamont, *Dignity of Working Men: Morality and the Boundaries of Race, Class, and Immigration*. Please join us in congratulating Michele Lamont.

I would like to express my appreciation to the members of this Committee for their hard work and efforts.

The Committee having achieved its objective ended its activities on June 18, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Williams  
Chair

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## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Proposals are sought for the research conference *Treating Addictions in Special Populations: Research Confronts Reality*, sponsored by State University of New York at Binghamton and Broome Community College. This national multi-disciplinary forum is tentatively scheduled for the fall of 2002 in Binghamton, New York.

Researchers, educators, policy-makers, practitioners, service-providers and students are invited to submit proposals addressing the multidimensional treatment issues that have emerged for individuals of special populations affected by substance-related disorders and process addictions. Workshop, research paper, and poster presentation formats that focus on research studies, public policy development, and/or clinical practice and services will be reviewed.

For further information contact the conference office or visit our website:

***Treating Addictions In Special Populations Conference***

School of Education & Human Development

Binghamton University

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P.O. Box 6000

Binghamton, New York 13902-6000

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<http://sehd.binghamton.edu/pdr/index.htm>

## Budget, Finance and Audit Committee

**TO:** SSSP Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Florence Bonner, Chair, Budget, Finance and Audit Committee  
**DATE:** July 17, 2001  
**SUBJECT:** Committee Activities

The BFA committee met during the annual meeting in August, 2000 in Washington, D.C and on June 2-3 at the SSSP Executive Offices, University of Tennessee, Knoxville. The committee reviewed the financial status of the Society and its future directions in light of actual and projected revenues and expenditures. The Treasurer's report indicates that the society continues to do well. The 2000 fiscal year ended with assets of \$468,788. The assets have continued to grow under the careful advice of Susan Carlson and the superb management of the Executive Officer and Staff.

This healthy picture does not mean that there were not important concerns to be addressed regarding the budget. Among these is the continuing struggle to bring the operating expenses in alignment with revenues. Each year, the Society has experienced a deficit, primarily associated with the Annual Meeting. Last year, the Annual Meeting deficit was \$15,312. The deficit for 2001 is projected to be \$14,275. However, after careful examination of the budget items and categories for expenditures, the resolution appears to be rather simple. Part of the problem appeared to be misaligned expenditures for Annual Meeting costs. One example is the cost of the Board Meeting. Although the Board meets during the Annual Meeting it should not (according to the Committee) be confused and designated as an Annual Meeting expense.

A review of spending categories led to a unanimous agreement that changes should be made to reflect expenditures from the correct lines. The logical of this is spelled out in more detail in the Treasurer's report, but one example here is Board members travel. This is not an Annual Meeting expense. Therefore, properly locating these items allow spending from other and more appropriate lines and it significantly reduces, what we continue to refer to as the annual meeting "over budget" spending.

A new category has been created to account for Governance expenditures, such as the Board expenses. This reclassification of budget expenses shows a revised 2001 budget that reflects a more balanced picture of revenue and expenses. The revised 2001 budget shows projected income of \$434,408 and expenses of \$460,051. We are projecting a \$25,643 deficit in 2001.

The second item that will impact finances is Michele Koontz's pregnancy (a most happy event) that presents some personnel issues. Thanks to the Executive Office staff for good planning. Michele's position and activities will be restructured in the following way. Lisa Zilney, Graduate Research Assistant will assume the majority of Michele's duties in addition to her current responsibilities. Pugh & Company will handle all of the financial aspects of Michele's job. The activities of the Executive Office will continue with a minimum amount of upheaval. (Thank you Michele and Tom)

The third item of note is the bidding of the contract for the Journal and the budgets of the candidates for the position of Editor. On the issue of the contract negotiation we agreed that more information should be gathered so that comparative data would inform the discussion(s) with UC Press. On the issue of the budget of the Editorial Office, it was agreed that the Executive Office should request expanded information regarding the budget. It appeared that the budget presented simply followed the previous budget requests.

Martha Hargraves, Assistant Professor and Director of Health Policy and Health Services Research in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Texas Medical Branch-Galveston, was elected as the new chair of the Budget, Finance and Audit Committee for 2001-2002.

## 2001 Minority Scholarship Fund Committee Report

**To:** Board of Directors, Society for the Study of Social Problems  
**From:** Donald Cunnigen, Chairperson  
2001 Minority Scholarship Fund Committee  
**Committee Members:** Cecilia Menjivar, Arizona State University (Chairperson-Elect)  
Ricky Bluthenthal, Rand Corporation  
Amalia Cabezas, Graduate Student  
William J. Chamblis, George Washington University  
Joyce N. Chien, University of Hawaii  
Tracy L. Dietz, Family Research Laboratory  
**Date:** 23 June 2001

With the able support of Michele Smith Koontz, the Call for Application was announced in a range of regional and national social science publications. In addition, she followed the recommendations of the 2000 SSSP Minority Scholarship Fund Committee (committee) that the chairperson be provided with a packet of information and evaluation materials at the start of her/his appointment. This packet contained a call for applications, the board report from the previous year, the Board of Directors' response to the report (if applicable), a template of evaluation materials, and a list of resources provided by SSSP. The receipt of this material was most helpful in the execution of the 2001 chairperson's duties.

On 8 May 2001, the committee members were sent application materials. By 10 June 2001, the committee members completed the ranking of fifteen applicants. Committee members ranked highest one of the fifteen scholarship applicants. Committee members tied two applicants in the rankings. The committee chairperson (who did not participate in the ranking process) cast a tie-breaking vote for the second scholarship recipient.

The 2001-2002 SSSP Minority Graduate Scholarship recipients are *Adriana L. Bohm* of Temple University and *Michael Gonzalez-Cruz* of Binghamton University-State University of New York. Each recipient demonstrated a serious commitment to social activism through a variety of activities. They reflect the fine tradition of past scholarship recipients.

The pool of applicants was small in comparison to the past two years (2000: 20; 1999: 35). Yet, the pool contained an excellent group of young scholar-activists who have attained impressive academic credentials as they have maintained their interest in social change.

As indicated in the table below (see Table 1), the composition of the pool consisted of ten females and five males. African-Americans comprised the largest group of applicants (2001: 7; 2000: 5; 1999: 16). Latinos/Hispanics were the second largest applicant group (2001: 5; 2000: 11; 1999: 11). Asians were the third largest group of applicants (2001: 3; 2000: 1; 1999: 7). Unfortunately, there were no Native American applicants (2001: 0; 2000: 3; 1999: 1). The bulk of the applicants are pursuing doctorates in sociology (12 out of 15). Most of the applicants were single (7 single; 3 married; 1 divorced/based on reporting). The bulk of the students were enrolled in graduate programs located in the West (5), Northeast (5), and Midwest (4). There were no students in Southern graduate programs.

TABLE 1

Sex	African-Americans	Latinos	Asian	Native American
Female	6	2	2	0
Male	1	3	1	0

The summary above suggests the SSSP Minority Scholarship attracts a substantial number of single female African-American and Latino/Hispanic applicants who are pursuing doctorates in Western, Northeastern, and Midwestern sociology programs. The composition of the applicant pool suggests several important areas for improvement. They include the following:

It is very clear that the SSSP Board and the future committees must devote greater attention to expanding the number of applicants, especially Native American and Asian applicants.

The SSSP Board and the committee should sponsor activities to inform graduate programs of the scholarship program.

In addition, the SSSP Board and committee should expand the advertising of the program. The present distribution to graduate programs listed in the ASA Guide to Graduate Departments and newsletters of regional and national social science organizations has had mixed results over the years.

A special effort should be made to emphasize the need to enhance the number of minority scholars in disciplines by the SSSP Board highlighting the scholarship program in special activities.

Finally, the SSSP chairperson would like future committees to consider expanding the applicant pool to include undergraduates in a separate selection process. In 1999 and 2000, the committee encouraged the Board to state clearly the focus of the scholarship. Presently, the scholarship is designed to facilitate the completion of doctoral study by advanced graduate students, i. e., dissertation level students. The SSSP Board should maintain the initial focus of the scholarship program. However, the chairperson believes consideration should be given to including younger scholars in the program. By expanding the program to include undergraduate applicants, the applicant pool may incorporate students from historically African-American institutions and other key sources of minority students.

In serving my second term as chairperson (1995-1996), I was delighted to see that the work of the SSSP Minority Scholarship Fund continues to result in the much needed monetary support as well as intellectual enhancement of minority students. As chairperson, I would like to thank the committee members for their work on the committee.

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## **“REDISCOVERING THE OTHER AMERICA: A NATIONAL FORUM ON POVERTY AND INEQUALITY”**

August 18, 2002

Chicago City Center, Chicago, IL

Sponsored by the Poverty, Class and Inequality Division of The Society for the Study of Social Problems,  
the *Journal of Poverty: Innovations on Social, Political & Economic Inequalities*,  
The Society for the Study of Social Problems, Sociologists for Women in Society,  
and the Center for Urban Research and Learning

As we near the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of Michael Harrington's *The Other America*, the time has once again come to rediscover poverty and inequality in the midst of plenty. Four decades ago, Harrington helped to wake a complacent nation up to the fact that poverty was a deep and pervasive aspect of life for many in America. A “war” was declared on poverty, and the social programs of the Great Society greatly reduced the level of poverty in our country. Gone for awhile was the idea that the poor have only themselves to blame for their lot in life.

Unfortunately, we have now come full circle. While the 1990s were hailed by political leaders and many economists as an economic boom, there are still millions of people mired deep in poverty. Even recent changes in poverty rates have only brought us back to where we were in the early years of the Reagan-Bush era. For the past twenty years, the gap between rich and poor has steadily widened. The harsh realities of sexism, racism, homophobia, as well as other forms of discrimination, limit opportunities for many. As the population of this country becomes increasingly more diverse, racial/ethnic profiling affects the lives of thousands and thousands. And the idea that there is an “entitlement” to assistance died with the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996.

The time has come to once again rediscover “The Other America.” We are announcing a **national forum on poverty and inequality** to be held the day after the annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems in Chicago: **August 18, 2002**. We are calling this forum not merely as an opportunity for the exchange of ideas and discussion of policy, but also as an opportunity to bring about serious action. This forum is intended to bring together an audience of academics, policy-makers, community activists, social service providers, and concerned citizens, including those most directly affected by contemporary social policies on poverty and inequality.

The program includes paper presentations, interactive workshops, and a panel discussion of national policies and practices about poverty and inequality. Our **keynote speaker** is the internationally renowned **Frances Fox Piven**. We will also present awards to individuals and groups who have exemplified the spirit of Michael Harrington and the other pioneers and rediscovers of poverty and inequality in the United States. These awards will be presented at an evening reception at Hull House.

We urge you to join us on August 18, 2002, for this exciting and spirited forum. For further information, contact Keith M. Kilty, College of Social Work, Ohio State University, 1947 College Road, Columbus, OH 43210. Email: [kilty.1@osu.edu](mailto:kilty.1@osu.edu). Phone: 614-292-7181. *Journal of Poverty*: [www.journalofpoverty.org](http://www.journalofpoverty.org)

## 2001 Program Committee Report

**TO:** Board of Directors  
Society for the Study of Social Programs  
**FROM:** Lionel Maldonado  
2001 Program Committee Chair  
**RE:** 2001 Program Committee Report  
**DATE:** June 28, 2001

The Program Committee met with its 2000 counterpart at the Annual Meeting of the Society in Washington, DC. We received a copy of President-Elect John F. Galliher's theme, *Celebrating Diversity and Protecting Human Rights*, that he had drafted earlier in collaboration with others, including President Robert Perrucci, Executive Officer Tom Hood, and colleagues and SSSP members. Program Committee members discussed the development of the President's program around his theme as well as the various ways we could encourage the Society's Division Chairs and members at large to incorporate it into their 2001 program plans. Of particular concern in operationalizing President Galliher's theme was its strong international component. To foster this aspect, two foreign scholars were included on the Program Committee. Additionally, the Program Committee reflected diversity in its make-up in terms of gender, race and ethnicity, academic rank, and experience.

Program Committee members kept in close and constant contact via e-mail during fall, 2000, as the Society's office distributed President Galliher's thematic statement to the membership and other associations. I disseminated the program participation schedule to Program Committee members as a follow-up to its mailing by Michele Koontz, stressing that we had to adhere to the same schedule as the rest of the Society. I tried to work closely with the SSSP office in meeting deadlines.

President Galliher actively participated in organizing a Special Session in honor of Laud Humphries. In a variety of important ways, Humphries' professional work and personal life reflected this year's meetings theme. President Galliher also worked closely with other members of the Program Committee to encourage young professionals and graduate students to participate in the 2001 Annual Meetings.

The Program Committee sponsored twenty (N=20) Thematic Sessions, eight (N=8) Special Sessions, and a number of Roundtables for papers that, despite a variety of efforts to have them included in regular sessions, could not be otherwise accommodated. We also jointly sponsored three sessions, one with ABS (Association of Black Sociologists), another with ABS and ASA, and a third with SWS.

I also received approximately twenty-five (N=25) papers from individuals requesting that I forward them to an appropriate Division session. I had some difficulty trying to place papers sent to me that were unrelated to President Galliher's theme. Aside from the obvious lack of fit, there were two reasons for the difficulty. One was that I lacked the requisite information about Divisions' interests for this year's Annual Meeting in order to make a reasonable referral, finding it difficult to try to identify appropriate Divisions where the paper could be sent. In some instances, I sent the paper to several Division chairpersons, often asking them to re-route the paper to another Division they judged to be more appropriate. Related to this problem is that authors who didn't hear from Division session organizers where I sent the paper repeatedly would contact me for information on the status of their submission. In some instances, these papers had been re-routed several times and I had only an informal tracking system. Michele Koontz has developed a system by which she tracks redistributed papers and fortunately, I had included her on papers I re-routed electronically. She helped me track these nomad papers so I could respond to inquiries. I do not know if my practice has been standard among other Program Committee chairs, but it certainly helped me. I am very grateful for Michele's good service and would recommend that some attention be devoted to a common solution that will help future Program Committees address this issue.

The second problem in trying to place papers sent to me was the volume arriving at my office as the January 31 deadline for submissions neared. This exacerbated the workload in forwarded papers, particularly if it was a hard copy rather than in an electronic format. Electronic papers can be re-routed immediately and to several people, but that's slower and more difficult with hard copies. (I used my Department's Xerox to make copies of papers that seemed to fit in more than one Division. Fortunately, the number was relatively small; most papers came as electronic attachments.)



One solution for papers that didn't fit reasonably with Divisions or the Program Committee was to put them into Roundtables. We did this. But this often was a very belated activity, requiring that the SSSP Office make changes and additions well after various in-house deadlines for assembling drafts of the program. A related issue is that we tried to group like-sounding papers together. Sometimes, the common link among these papers was difficult to discern. In other instances, we ended up with a single paper at a Roundtable. In the latter instance, it became difficult to find a presider and discussant for seemingly orphan papers. Perhaps the Board can recommend a solution.

The 2000 Program Committee Co-chairs noted that they received a fair number of requests to waive registration fees. Prepared for that, I received surprisingly few requests (about five as of this date). I am unaware if other members of the Committee received such requests; none was forwarded to me. Therefore, I cannot say how our Committee fared in terms of its budget allocation.

The Program Committee wishes to recognize the financial contribution made by Chancellor Richard Wallace of the University of Missouri, Columbia that will help sponsor a reception in recognition of President John Galliher and the Past Presidents of the Society.

The 2001 Program Committee included the following individuals: Barbara Bank, University of Missouri; Wayne Brekhus, Missouri University; Barbara Brents, University of Nevada-Las Vegas; Teresa Guess, University of Missouri-St. Louis; Helgi Gunnlaugsson, University of Iceland; Herb Haines, SUNY College-Cortland; Joan Hermsen, University of Missouri; David Keyes, West Texas A&M University; Larry Koch, University of Michigan-Flint; Michael Radelet, University of Florida; Anna Riley, University of Missouri; Daren Weinberg, University of Cambridge; Ronald Weitzer, George Washington University. The success of the President's program is due to their hard work and the leadership of President John Galliher.

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## **DO YOU WANT TO TELL THE STORY OF SSSP TO A PUBLIC TELEVISION AUDIENCE?**

**A Committee will explore the offer from the Teaching Learning Channel to help us fund and produce a one-half hour program as part of a series on non-profit organizations.**

**If you want to help, write Tom Hood at  
tomhood@utk.edu or call 865-974-7023.**

## Foreign Scholar-Activist Fund

**To: SSSP Board of Directors**  
**From: Richard A. Dello Buono, Committee Chair**  
**RE: Final Report of the 2000-2001 SSSP Foreign Scholar-Activist Fund Committee**

First, I want to thank John Alessio, Alfonso Latoni and Patricia Morgan for their fine work in serving on this year's committee. We received 7 applications by the deadline date, requesting a total of \$11,400. Among these were two applicants who had previously received awards in 1999 but were unable to attend because of visa problems. They decided to reapply to the fund this year given recent, more positive trends in granting U.S. visas in their country (Cuba) and were treated on an equal basis with the rest of the applicants.

Since we had a firm limit of \$4,000. for participation grants, we went about considering the applications, mostly based upon how each satisfied the guidelines for application and if the application request seemed otherwise reasonable. Two applicants did not satisfy the application criteria and/or were not deemed reasonable in their request and were eliminated on that basis. Each committee member then proposed how to allocate the funds to the remaining five applicants. The proposal of each member was shared with the committee as a whole and the proposed allocations were essentially averaged and rounded off. Given funding constraints, none of the applicants received the full amount originally applied for.

The committee did agree that if any recipient indicated that they would be unable to attend due to their partial award, committee members would like to reconsider the amounts awarded to the others. But upon notification, all recipients indicated that they intended on participating.

Recent Board action clarified SSSP policy concerning visa problems or when other situations beyond the control of awardees prevent them from ultimately attending the meetings, namely, that a one-year carryover is permitted upon request of the applicant. The Chair should always make it clear to the executive office when this occurs so that the funds can be properly set aside, presumably, within the restricted fund itself.

Since this year's committee also decided that a reconsideration prompted by withdrawals of awardees might on occasion result in supplemental awards to other awardees, but only up to the full amount originally requested (all within the annual budgetary limits of the fund), the Chair requests that the Board recognize this procedure as consistent with the Committee's charge.

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>FINAL AWARD</b>
Deidre M. Smith (Canada)	250
Gabriela Rouillon (Colombia)	725
Diana Avila (Peru)	775
Jose Bell Lara (Cuba)	1125
Elena Diaz (Cuba)	1125
<b>TOTAL</b>	
<b>\$4000.</b>	

# Report of the Treasurer

**TO:** SSSP Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Ron Troyer, Treasurer  
**DATE:** June 25, 2001  
**SUBJECT:** Financial Condition of SSSP

According to the By-laws, "The Treasurer shall oversee the funds of the Society, subject to expenditures, at the instruction of the Board or Directors." The practice is that the Treasurer reports the financial condition of SSSP, the results of the audit, and provides additional comments as he or she deems appropriate.

## Financial Condition of the Society

The summary statement is that SSSP is in excellent financial shape. At the end of the 2000 year, the Society had assets of \$468,788. These assets slightly exceed one year's operating costs which provides a prudent cushion for stressful and unforeseen developments such as those faced by the Society in the mid 1980s.

Note, however, that the Society's assets decreased by \$6,644 during the 2000 calendar year. Assets at the end of 1999 were \$475,432. The decrease occurred because the value of the Society's investments dropped during the 2000 year. (Susan Carlson will report the details.) This is not a surprise and might even be considered a surprisingly good result in light of the financial market's performance during the year.

There are two major reasons the net assets of the Society remained relatively stable in spite of the market performance. First, during 2000, Society revenue exceeded expenditures by \$13,603.84. Second, the value of the Life Membership Program grew to \$14,700.

## Audit Results

The audit performed by Pugh and Company found nothing unusual. The auditors note a material weakness in that "the Society does not have adequate segregation of duties in the accounting department due to the limited number of staff." This is a problem for all small organizations. Pugh and Company recommended "that certain compensating controls, such as active participation by the executive director and the executive committee, be put in place to reduce the risk of errors and irregularities." The Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee has reviewed the matter with the Tom Hood and Michele Koontz and is satisfied that they are responding in an appropriate fashion.

The auditors also raised some questions about the Society's restricted funds. The issues are probably best described as housekeeping and clarifying matters. The Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee has prepared motions to address the issues. The Board of Directors will be asked to take action at the annual meeting.

## Treasurers Comments

As noted above, SSSP is in excellent financial condition. The downturn in the financial markets did not result in a significant decrease in the Society's assets. Besides prudent management of the annual budget, the action increasing membership dues a few years ago prepared the Society for what happened this past year. It is that kind of foresight and fiscal restraint that are responsible for our current financial condition. The Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, the Executive Officer, the Administrator Officer, and the Board of Directors are to be congratulated for their excellent work.

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**THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS**  
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**C. Wright Mills Award:** Established in 1969, 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 money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to pay a \$500 stipend to the author.

**Erwin O. Smigel Fund:** Established in 1976 to expand employment opportunities in the field of sociology. The money that is presently on deposit 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.

**Lee Founders Award:** Established in 1981, this annual award recognizes significant achievements that consistently promote the ideals of the founders of the Society and especially to the humanistic tradition, as exemplified in the contributions of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to purchase a plaque for the winner.

**Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund (formerly the Scholar-Activist Support Fund):** This annual fund was established in 1992 with a minimum of \$2000 from the Society's funds. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to emphasize support for scholars in countries whose economies are weak and activists who have restricted funds to attend our annual meeting.

**Lee Student Support Fund (formerly the Alfred McClung Lee Support Fund):** This annual fund was established in 1992 with a minimum of \$2000 from the Society's funds. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to help defray the cost of conference participation for student members.

**Minority Graduate Scholarship:** Established in 1995, this annual fund is given for support of graduate study and commitment to a career of scholar activism. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to provide scholarships to the winners.

**Social Action Award:** Established in 1990, this award is given annually to an organization in the area where we are holding our annual meeting. The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to pay a \$1,000 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.

**SSSP General Fund:** The money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be used to fund activities of the Society.

\*The above uses for each fund are currently in place but are subject to change based on the Society's needs as determined by the Board of Directors.

**Life Membership:** Established in 2000, this fund allows members the opportunity to pay \$1,200 for a life membership. One hundred dollars of the \$1,200 is recorded as dues payment in the year that the individual becomes a life member. The remaining money that is presently on deposit and future contributions will be placed in an interest and dividend bearing account, and is not refundable or capable of being passed on to another person. The yearly dues of life members will be paid from the account's earnings.

# ***STUDENT PAPER COMPETITIONS AND OUTSTANDING SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS***

***Sponsored by the Special Problems Divisions of the Society for the Study of Social Problems***

## ***CONFLICT, SOCIAL ACTION AND CHANGE DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "Theorizing Ideological Forms of Economic Trade Unionism in North America: A Comparative Empirical Test-Unionism in Chicago's Steel and Meatpacking Industries and Their Respective Approaches to Racial Oppression, 1936-1954," Kim Scipes, University of Illinois at Chicago

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: "A Research Proposal on the Study of Attitudes Towards Mental Illness in Hawaii," Lynn Ma, University of Hawaii

## ***CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "Sociological Ambivalence and Juvenile Justice: An Inquiry into the Rehabilitative Ideal of Juvenile Parole," Joshua S. Meisel, University of Colorado, Boulder

## ***ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "Biotechnology and the Industrial Colonization of Science: A Preliminary Report," Anthony Vigorito, The Ohio State University

## ***FAMILY DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "Unscripted Motherhood: Lesbian Mothers Negotiate Marginal-Mainstream Identities," Amy Hequembourg, University at Buffalo, State University of New York

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: "Occupational Violence Spillover: The Effects of Physically Violent Occupations on Men's Violence Against Female Partners" Scott A. Melzer, University of California, Riverside

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: "Building a Home on a Border: How Single White Women Raising Multi-Racial Children Construct Racial Meaning," Jennifer A. Reich, University of California, Davis

## ***HEALTH, HEALTH POLICY AND HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "The Effects of Medi-Cal Managed Care on Access to Mammography Screening for Women Residing in Los Angeles County," Iris A. Baxter, California State University, Dominguez Hills

## ***LABOR STUDIES DIVISION—BRAVERMAN AWARD***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "The House Rules: Regulating Service Worker Autonomy in the Gaming Industry," Jeffrey J. Sallaz, University of California, Berkeley

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: "The Model Minority Advantage or Race Discrimination: Exploring the Sources of Earnings Disparities Between White and Asian American Women," Yan Elaine Yi, University of Notre Dame

Honorable Mention: "Gendering the Market: Temporality, Work and Gender on a National Futures Exchange," Peter Levin, Northwestern University

## ***LAW AND SOCIETY DIVISION—ALFRED R. LINDESMITH AWARD***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "Acting Up and Acting Out: Conduct Disorder and the Medicalization of Adolescent Aggressive Behaviors," Deborah Potter, Brandeis University

## ***MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "Race, Neighborhood, Social Support, and Adolescent Emotional Well Being," Anastasia S. Vogt Yuan, The Ohio State University

## ***RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITIES DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "More or Less Kin: Assessing the Debates on Kin Support in Euro and African American Families," Natalia Sarkisian, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

## ***SEXUAL BEHAVIOR, POLITICS AND COMMUNITIES DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "Postmodern Polyamorous Families," Elisabeth Sheff, University of Colorado, Boulder

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: "Adolescents' Transition to First Intercourse, Religiosity and Attitudes about Sex," Ann M. Meier, University of Wisconsin, Madison

## ***SOCIAL PROBLEMS THEORY DIVISION***

1<sup>st</sup> Place: "Reinvestigating the Color Line 100 Years Later: Applying the Theories of Bourdieu and Foucault to DuBois's Theory of Race Contact," Carladenise Armbrister Edwards, University of Florida

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: "Gods and Monsters: Elite Tattoo Collectors as Positive and Negative Deviants," Katherine Irwin, University of Colorado, Boulder

**Society for the Study of Social Problems  
2002 Annual Meeting Submission Cover Sheet**

In the interest of managing multiple submissions effectively, this sheet must be attached to all papers, abstracts, or 2-3 page outlines submitted to session organizers and/or the general program organizer, Kathe Lowney no later than January 31, 2002.

**Title of Paper:** \_\_\_\_\_

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***DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF SUBMISSIONS IS: JANUARY 31, 2002***

# CALL FOR PAPERS AND PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

## The Society for the Study of Social Problems

### 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting

August 15-17, 2002

W Chicago City Center, Chicago, IL

## THE FUTURE OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Sociology tends to look backward, to understand the present in terms of what occurred in the past. We trace the history of social thought, the rise and fall of ideas and the institutions within which they emerged. We search the past for patterns, for signs of progress or decay, for cycles or dialectical processes. We cannot, we say, understand where we are without knowing where we've been.

Yet we also try to look ahead. We identify trends, and project them into the future. We speak out for change, in hopes of altering the course of events. We propose reforms and envision the better world they could produce. At least implicitly, visions of the future of social problems often figure in our work.

At our 2002 annual meeting in Chicago, I hope we can pay closer attention to the future of social problems, to the prospects for and implications of change. How is society changing, and what will be the consequences of these changes? What familiar problems may diminish, and why? What are the prospective problems on the horizon? Who are the claimants of the future, and what arguments might they invoke to arouse concern and inspire action? To what degree can sociologists analyze what lies ahead?

In addition, I hope we will have an opportunity to think reflexively about the future of social problems analysis. Sociology generally—and our Society in particular—have promoted different ways of studying social problems. How might our profession—and specifically how might SSSP—evolve to address changes in the larger society, in the phenomena we study, and in our profession.

**Joel Best, President**

**2002 Program Committee**

**Kathe Lowney, Chair, Valdosta State University**

**Papers, abstracts, or 2-3 page outlines for presentations at division sponsored sessions and events, including those related to this year's theme, should be sent to session chairs no later than January 31, 2002.** All proposals related to this year's theme (but *not* sponsored by a division), panels, workshops, and film and video screenings should be sent no later than January 31, 2002 to Kathe Lowney, Program Chair, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA 31698-0060; W: 229-333-5943; F: 229-333-5492; email: sssp2002@aol.com. A submission cover sheet must accompany all papers and proposals. **Only one sole-authorship paper is permitted per participant (without an accompanying co-authored paper).** Authors may submit more than one paper; however, each paper may be submitted to no more than three organizers. In cases of dual submission, authors are required to notify each organizer and list the other organizer to whom the paper is being sent on the submission cover sheet.

### 2002 PROGRAM PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE

Deadline for submission of papers/proposals to the Program Committee Chair and Division Program Organizers	Jan 31, 2002
Participants <b>must be notified</b> by the session organizer of acceptance/rejection of paper/proposal no later than	Feb 22, 2002
Names, addresses, session/paper titles for the program must be in the hands of the Program Chair and the Executive Office no later than	Mar 1, 2002
Preliminary programs will be mailed to all current SSSP members no later than	May 15, 2002
<b>2002 ANNUAL MEETING, W CHICAGO CITY CENTER, CHICAGO, IL</b>	Aug 15-17, 2002
Deadline for Names of Program Organizers for 2003 Annual Meeting	Sep 23, 2002

All participants (except those granted an exemption) must be **current** members of the Society (they may join on acceptance of their presentation) and must pre-register for the annual meeting. Exemptions will be granted for: **A)** Persons not in the social sciences, but whose expertise relates to session topics. **B)** Non-U.S. and non-Canadian scholars who are from economically distressed or undeveloped countries. **C)** Co-authors of papers who will not be attending the meetings. One of the co-authors must be a paid registrant. Both co-authors must pay if both expect to attend the meetings. **D)** Persons excused by direct request of the Program Chair or President. Persons failing to pre-register will have their contributions deleted from the final program.

**Refund Policy:** Registration fees can only be refunded to persons who notify us that they will not attend the meetings prior to July 1. Once the final program is printed and participant packets have been prepared, the cost of processing the participant has already occurred.

#### **POSTER SESSION**

Once again this year we want to have poster sessions at the SSSP meeting. Interested? Write or e-mail the Program Chair for submission rules. Let everyone see what you are working on!

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**Session I:** Controversies in Social Movement Theory

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**Session II:** Addressing the Future of Social Problems: Participatory Research, Community Service, and Partnerships - THEMATIC

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**Session I:** Restorative Justice and the Legal System: Applications and Impact - THEMATIC (co-sponsored with Law and Society Division)

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**Session III:** Sex Crimes, Sex Work, and the Law (co-sponsored with Sexual Behavior, Politics and Communities Division)

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**Session III:** The Future of the War on Drugs: International Perspectives

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**Session IV:** Roundtables: Potpourri

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#### **Educational Problems**

**Session I:** Critical Pedagogy and Service Learning

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'Appropriate' Behavior: The Future of Sex Education in Schools (co-sponsored with Sexual Behavior, Politics and Communities Division)

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**Session V: Rewriting the Social: Institutional Ethnography and the Sociology of Dorothy E. Smith - SPECIAL**  
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**Session II: Stress-Process Research in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**  
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**Poverty, Class and Inequality**

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**Youth, Aging and the Life Course**

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**THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.**

**Knoxville, Tennessee**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**December 31, 2000 and 1999**

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Directors  
The Society for the Study  
of Social Problems, Inc.  
Knoxville, Tennessee

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of The Society for the Study of Social Problems, Inc. as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, 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 generally accepted auditing standards. 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, 2000 and 1999, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Pugh & Company, P.C.  
Certified Public Accountants  
April 6, 2001

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.**

**STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

	As of December 31,	2000	1999
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents		\$ 37,675	\$ 27,241
Cash - Board Designated		18,488	16,561
Accounts Receivable		142,520	138,795
Prepaid Items		42,929	47,960
Investments:			
Short-Term		206,155	235,281
Short-Term - Board Designated		286,376	274,891
Permanently Restricted		14,700	0
Equipment, Net		3,953	2,996
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>\$ 752,796</u>	<u>\$ 743,725</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>			
Accounts Payable		\$ 46,961	\$ 34,323
Deferred Revenue		237,047	233,970
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<u>284,008</u>	<u>268,293</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
Unrestricted		454,088	475,432
Permanently Restricted		14,700	0
<b>Total Net Assets</b>		<u>468,788</u>	<u>475,432</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		<u>\$ 752,796</u>	<u>\$ 743,725</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.**

**STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES**

	For the Years Ended December 31, <u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
<b>CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>UNRESTRICTED PUBLIC SUPPORT</b>		
Membership Dues	\$ 101,290	\$ 77,846
Contributions	4,293	3,098
<b>Total Unrestricted Public Support</b>	<u>105,583</u>	<u>80,944</u>
<b>UNRESTRICTED REVENUE</b>		
Journals and Publications	248,406	251,183
Annual Meeting	36,298	35,520
Investment Return, Net	6,058	70,361
Other Income	1,282	605
<b>Total Unrestricted Revenue</b>	<u>292,044</u>	<u>357,669</u>
<b>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>	<u>397,627</u>	<u>438,613</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Executive Office	107,417	105,186
Journals and Publications	222,214	219,288
Annual Meeting	51,610	57,529
Committees	17,987	16,454
Awards, Scholarships, and Related Expenses	19,743	19,286
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>418,971</u>	<u>417,743</u>
<b>CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>	<u>(21,344)</u>	<u>20,870</u>
<b>CHANGE IN PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>		
Contributions - Life Membership Program	14,700	0
<b>CHANGE IN TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<u>(6,644)</u>	<u>20,870</u>
<b>BEGINNING NET ASSETS</b>	<u>475,432</u>	<u>454,562</u>
<b>ENDING NET ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 468,788</u>	<u>\$ 475,432</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.**

**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

	For the Years Ended December 31, <u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Change in Total Net Assets	<u>\$ (6,644)</u>	<u>\$ 20,870</u>
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Total Net Assets to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	850	1,369
Net Unrealized (Gain) Loss on Investments	34,947	(40,182)
(Gain) Loss on Sale of Equipment	(100)	700
(Increase) Decrease in Assets:		
Accounts Receivable	(3,725)	(84,940)
Prepaid Items	5,031	(32,161)
Increase in Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	12,638	9,153
Deferred Revenue	3,077	129,292
Total Adjustments	<u>52,718</u>	<u>(16,769)</u>
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	<u>46,074</u>	<u>4,101</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds From Sales and Maturities of Investments	71,862	50,163
Purchases of Investments	(103,868)	(81,217)
Purchases of Equipment	(1,807)	0
Proceeds From Sale of Equipment	100	500
<b>Net Cash Used in Investing Activities</b>	<u>(33,713)</u>	<u>(30,554)</u>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH</b>	12,361	(26,453)
<b>CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>43,802</u>	<u>70,255</u>
<b>CASH AT END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 56,163</u>	<u>\$ 43,802</u>
<b>Cash at End of Year:</b>		
Cash	\$ 37,675	\$ 27,241
Cash - Board Designated	<u>18,488</u>	<u>16,561</u>
	<u>\$ 56,163</u>	<u>\$ 43,802</u>

For purposes of the statements of cash flows the Society considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of ninety days or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS, INC.**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**December 31, 2000 and 1999**

**NOTE 1 - NATURE OF ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Founded in 1951, The Society for the Study of Social Problems, Inc. promotes research on and serious examination of problems of social life. The Society works to solve these problems and develop social policy based knowledge. The Society is supported primarily through sales of journals and publications and by membership dues. Significant accounting policies are:

**Reclassifications** - Certain items in the 1999 financial statements have been reclassified to conform with the 2000 financial statements.

**Estimates** - The preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions. Those estimates and assumptions affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could vary from those estimates.

**Method of Accounting** - The financial statements are prepared on the accrual method of accounting.

**Cash Equivalents** - The Society considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of ninety days or less at the date of acquisition to be cash equivalents.

**Investments** - Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are measured at fair value in the statements of financial position. Investment return (including gains and losses on investments, interest, and dividends) is included in the statements of activities as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets unless it is restricted by donor or law.

**Equipment** - Equipment is stated at cost. Depreciation, computed using the straight-line method, is based on an estimated useful life of five years.

**Subscription and Membership Dues** - Subscription and membership dues received in advance are recorded as deferred revenue and recognized as income when earned.

**Contributions** - Contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor.

**Tax Exempt Status** - The Society is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and files the appropriate federal information return.

**NOTE 2 - CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK**

The Society maintains its cash accounts in five banks located throughout the United States and with a capital management group. The cash accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$100,000 per legal ownership. A summary of uninsured cash balances as of December 31, is:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Cash balances per banks	\$179,235	\$168,604
Cash balance per capital management group	<u>0</u>	<u>52</u>
Total cash	179,235	168,656
FDIC insurance limits	<u>179,235</u>	<u>168,604</u>
Uninsured cash balances	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 52</u>

**NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS**

Investments, stated at fair value, include:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Mutual Funds	\$407,231	\$399,841
U.S. Treasury Note	0	20,033
Certificates of Deposit	<u>100,000</u>	<u>90,298</u>
	<u>\$507,231</u>	<u>\$510,172</u>

The following summarizes the investment return for the years 2000 and 1999:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Dividend and Interest Income	\$ 41,005	\$30,179
Unrealized Gains (Losses)	<u>(34,947)</u>	<u>40,182</u>
Investment Return, Net	<u>\$ 6,058</u>	<u>\$70,361</u>

**NOTE 4 - EQUIPMENT**

	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Cost	<u>\$ 7,980</u>	<u>\$ 7,142</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(4,027)</u>	<u>(4,146)</u>
	<u>\$ 3,953</u>	<u>\$ 2,996</u>

**NOTE 5 - CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS**

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 and free space and overhead expenses for the Society's executive office. This agreement is renewable on an annual basis each January.

The Society uses the University's purchasing and disbursing services. As of December 31, 2000, unreimbursed expenses owed to the University from the Society was \$21,646 (\$1,797 in 1999), which is included in accounts payable.

**NOTE 6 - BOARD DESIGNATED ASSETS**

The Alfred McClung Lee Support Fund was established in 1992 to help defray the cost of the annual meeting for graduate student members.

The Erwin O. Smigel Fund was established in 1976 to expand employment opportunities in the field of sociology. The fund is used to develop information for unemployed colleagues in their efforts to find work and to enable such colleagues to attend the annual meeting.

The Lee Founders/Legacy Fund was established in 1981. This annual award is made in recognition of significant achievements by an individual who has demonstrated continuing devotion to the ideals of the founders of the Society and especially to the humanistic tradition, as exemplified by the contributions of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee. The Social Action Award, an award established in 1990, which may be paid from this Fund, is awarded to a not-for-profit organization in the city/area hosting the annual meeting.



The Foreign Scholars Fund was also established in 1992. Its purpose is to financially assist foreign scholars or activists attending the annual meeting.

The C. Wright Mills Fund was established in 1969. Its purpose is to annually honor the author(s) of the book which 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, and (6) explicitly or implicitly contains implications for courses of action.

The board of directors has an investment account designated for the Minority Scholarship Award. This award was established in 1993. The purpose of this award is to increase the pool of minority social and behavioral scientists.

The respective board designated assets as of December 31, 2000 are as follows:

	<u>Erwin O. Smigel Fund</u>	<u>Lee Founders Fund</u>	<u>Alfred McClung Lee Support Fund</u>	<u>Foreign Scholars Fund</u>	<u>C. Wright Mills Fund</u>	<u>Minority Scholarship Award Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash	\$3,404	\$ 5,880	\$4,688	\$1,908	\$2,608	\$ 0	\$ 18,488
Investments	<u>0</u>	<u>13,636</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>272,740</u>	<u>286,376</u>
Total	<u>\$3,404</u>	<u>\$19,516</u>	<u>\$4,688</u>	<u>\$1,908</u>	<u>\$2,608</u>	<u>\$272,740</u>	<u>\$304,864</u>

The respective board designated assets as of December 31, 1999 are as follows:

	<u>Erwin O. Smigel Fund</u>	<u>Lee Founders Fund</u>	<u>Alfred McClung Lee Support Fund</u>	<u>Foreign Scholars Fund</u>	<u>C. Wright Mills Fund</u>	<u>Minority Scholarship Award Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash	\$3,249	\$ 5,108	\$4,399	\$1,516	\$2,289	\$ 0	\$ 16,561
Investments	<u>0</u>	<u>12,157</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>262,734</u>	<u>274,891</u>
Total	<u>\$3,249</u>	<u>\$17,265</u>	<u>\$4,399</u>	<u>\$1,516</u>	<u>\$2,289</u>	<u>\$262,734</u>	<u>\$291,452</u>

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

#### NOTE 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 dues payment in the year that the individual becomes a life member. The remaining \$1,100 is placed in an interest and dividend bearing account, and is not refundable or capable of being passed on to another person. The yearly dues of life members will be paid from the account's earnings. The permanently restricted net assets as of December 31, 2000 are as follows:

Investments - Permanently Restricted for Life Membership Fund	<u>\$14,700</u>
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## Editorial and Publications Committee Report

**FROM:** Anna M. Santiago, Chair, Editorial and Publications Committee  
**RE:** Report for August 2000-August 2001

This report summarizes the activities of the Editorial and Publications Committee through the period of the Committee's meeting on Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup> in Anaheim CA.

The primary task of the Committee this year was the recruitment and selection of the new editors of *Social Problems* and the *SSSP Newsletter*. The solicitation for applications appeared in the Fall 2000 issue of the *SSSP Newsletter*, the January issue of *Social Problems*, the *SSSP* website, as well as in *ASA Footnotes* and other professional association newsletters. It was, however, personal contacts with the Chair of the Committee and other *SSSP* members that led to the submission of applications.

Individuals from four institutions were contacted for the position of *SSSP Newsletter* editor, including the current editor. Given the excellent job that Stephen Couch has done with the *SSSP Newsletter*, the E & P Committee unanimously passed a motion recommending to the Board of Directors that he be re-appointed as newsletter editor for a second three-year term.

Individuals from nine institutions, including the current editor, were contacted for the position of *Social Problems*. The Committee received three applications for these positions -- from Marquette University, Northern Arizona University, and Tulane University. The application from Tulane University was withdrawn in April 2001 after several members of the proposed editorial team accepted faculty positions in other universities.

The initial applications were evaluated by the Committee and the results of these evaluations were sent back to the applicants along with a series of institution-specific questions to which they were asked to respond. The Committee then reassessed the applications based on these responses. Site visits were conducted at both institutions prior to the Anaheim meetings. These assessments underscored that the Society had received two strong applications for the editorship of *Social Problems*. As a result, both applicants were invited to interview with the Committee at the Anaheim meetings.

Based upon our interviews and evaluation of the application materials, the voting members of the E & P Committee passed a motion recommending to the Board of Directors that James Holstein of Marquette University be appointed as the next editor of *Social Problems*.

In addition, the E & P Committee passed several motions regarding future editorial searches.

1. The E & P Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that they drop any print ads in *ASA Footnotes* since the brief ad is expensive and does not seem to elicit any inquiries or applications.
2. The E & P Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that future recruitment strategies should begin earlier and include the following activities: (a) toward the end of the first year of any new editorship, an initial announcement should be placed in the *SSSP Newsletter* inviting interested parties to attend informational sessions about the editorships at the August meetings; (b) a group of past editors and the E & P Committee Chair will facilitate informational sessions about *Social Problems*, the *SSSP Newsletter*, and the application process; and (c) the formal call for applications should appear in the Fall newsletter and the November issue of the journal in order to ensure ample time for the development of proposals; and (d) the Society should consider the possibility of actively mentoring individuals who are interested in serving as editors of our publications.
3. The E & P Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that sufficient resources be allocated to facilitate the costs of transition between editorial offices. It further recommends that each new editor develop a transition plan that would include, but not be necessarily limited to, (a) a site visit to the current editorial office; (b) a formal working relationship with the current editorial team (i.e. as an Associate Editor) during the final six months of the editorship that would enable the new editor to become familiar with editorial office operations as well as with manuscripts that might carry forward into the new editorship; and (c) development of a strategy to transfer all technology, equipment and files to the new editorial office.

Stephen Couch, editor of the *SSSP Newsletter*, submitted to the Committee a list of possible new names for the newsletter that were solicited from the membership. The Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that we adopt the name, *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter*, as of the Fall 2001 issue.

During the 2001-02 year, Peter Conrad will serve as Chair of the Committee. Since all new members of the Committee were not present during our deliberations, the Committee decided to defer selecting a Chair-Elect until all members could be contacted as well as vote.

The final matter discussed at the meeting involved an update on the Presidential Book Series. Given the limited interest in the book series demonstrated by UC Press, the press decided in March 2001 that they would not publish any

additional volumes from the series beyond the Levy and Lopata manuscript that is currently under contract. In addition, the Press decided not to honor their commitment to the Orcutt and Rudy volume. In response the Chair of the E & P Committee drafted a brief book series prospectus incorporating the features that had been recommended previously by the Board of Directors. A cover letter and a copy of the prospectus was initially sent to nine publishers identified by various SSSP members. In addition, both the Chair and the Chair-Elect approached book editors attending the ASA Meetings in Anaheim. The E & P Committee expects to make a recommendation to the Board of Directors about a publisher for the series by December 2001.

Finally, as Chair of the Committee, I would recommend that a more formal transition plan be developed for all new committee chairs. This would facilitate more efficient and quicker handling of the tasks assigned, particularly those that carry forward to the new chair.

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### Report of the Executive Officer

First I'd like to thank the Board of Directors and the members of the Society for the privilege of serving as your Executive Officer during the past year. Due to the exceptional talents and work ethic of your Administrative Officer, Michele Koontz and our diligent, skillful and quick learner, Graduate Research Assistant Lisa Anne Zilney, the office has run smoothly and accomplished much during the past 12 months. Most of you know that Michele will be taking maternity leave beginning late October or early November, if her doctor's predictions prove accurate. We have already reallocated duties for the fall and signed contracts with Lisa Anne Zilney and Pugh and Company to accomplish the tasks that Michele will be unable to do during the three months that she will be on leave. Lisa has proven to be an excellent and reliable assistant to Michele and to me. I am looking forward to working with her even more closely during the time that Michele is away from the office.

Please take the opportunity during the annual meeting to say a word of appreciation to Michele for her fine work and to become acquainted with Lisa. During the Fall Semester and the early part of next year, Lisa and I will be doing our best to maintain the same quality of support for the various tasks of the Society that must go on during those seasons of the year. We shall endeavor to respond with the same promptness as Michele to the many telephone inquiries and e-mails that come to the Executive Office each day.

Last year the Board approved a proposal to move to a part-time employee in the Executive Office rather than using a Graduate Research Assistant. The success of Lisa Anne Zilney coupled with the other changes I mentioned has caused Michele and me to revise our plans. Immediately following the Annual Meeting we shall recruit a new Graduate Research Assistant to begin work in January 2002. Fortunately Lisa will remain in the position during the Fall Semester and be working to complete some of Michele's tasks in January so she will be able to provide adequate training for the new person.

I would like to note as well the exceptional work done by the officers and committees this year. When I was drafting this report, I started to list all the committees that have worked particularly hard to accomplish the work of the Society this year. Since all of the Committees and Officers have contributed to the effort, just allow me to say a thank you to all of them. Pay attention to their thoughtful reports and you'll see how much of the work of the Society is being accomplished by volunteers. This is very much a part of the tradition of SSSP and one that I hope the Society always retains.

Once again the Special Problems Divisions of the Society vary greatly in their level of activity. This year the Poverty and Inequality Division has proposed an add-on conference for the Chicago meeting. The Budget, Finance and Audit Committee reviewed a draft of the proposal, since the Division was asking for some additional support from the general budget of the Society. That committee returned the proposal to the Division with requests for greater detail and suggestions for seeking funds to support a budget for such an endeavor. I view such proposals as a healthy sign of activity and a chance to recruit more members and more participants in our annual meeting. My hope is that this proposal will be perfected and come to the Board of Directors for approval.

Some divisions continue to have a low level of activity and do not communicate with their members during the year. My hope is that the Council of Special Problems Division Chairs will continue to work on ways to encourage these divisions or develop a policy on closing a division. Next year the booklet, produced by entries from each Division Chair during the Presidency of Pam Roby, will be five years old. This booklet was well received and encouraged each Special Problems Division to think about its mission. Perhaps a similar booklet could be planned and authored again. The last booklet was distributed to all our members. A number told us that the essays in the booklet and the bibliographies were useful tools aiding them in their scholarship and teaching activities.

You have in your hands the final edited copy of the operating manual for the Society for the Study of Social Problems. I want to personally thank Dean Knudsen for his effort in editing and incorporating comments from members of the Board and the Society. This manual was suggested several years ago when Rudy Alvarez chaired the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee. Any manual such as this remains a work in progress. One significant item that is not covered in the manual is the work involved in making a transition in the Executive Office. While I am not tendering my resignation at this time and while I have not set a definite retirement date at the University of

Tennessee, *my plans remain to move to a post-retirement service contract with the University during the year 2003.* The details of such a contract remain to be worked out. My wife has indicated to me that she would not object to my continuing to work for SSSP as Executive Officer should you desire that I continue to serve in that position. From what I have learned, I believe that we shall be able to retain the support of the University of Tennessee at a similar level. By that time The University of Tennessee will have a new President and the state may have resolved the funding crisis that has drawn national attention recently. **(Action Item)** Nevertheless, I am recommending that the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee develop a plan for recruiting an Executive Officer and a plan for accomplishing transition from one Executive Officer to another. I would like this plan to be submitted to the Board for review by next year. After review such plans can be added to the manual. At that time I expect that my plans for the year 2003 will have become firm.

An important priority during the coming year will be the competitive bidding of the contract for publishing SOCIAL PROBLEMS. We have had a long and productive relationship with the University of California Press Journals Division over the last fifteen years. Nevertheless, our current contract expires at the end of 2004. It will be automatically extended unless we notify the Press by July 1, 2003. This means that we should have bids to review at the Board of Directors meetings next August. Electronic distribution of journals and its implications may need to be discussed more extensively in our next contract. We may wish to explore the possibility of electronic distribution to members rather than paper distribution as a way of reducing production costs that could be passed on to members as a saving in membership dues should they choose to receive their journal in that fashion. My hope is that we will retain our commitment to keep costs to libraries as low as possible given the income that we depend on to finance the production of the journal, the editorial office and activities of the Society. The committee to conduct the bidding process the last time bids were sought consisted of the Chair of the Editorial and Publications Committee, the Treasurer and the Executive Officer. We had serious bids from three additional publishers at that time. Several publishers have expressed an interest to the Executive Office already and I expect that others will follow once a formal announcement of the bidding process is made. The Committee appointed to conduct the bidding process will need to have your ideas about items to discuss with publishers. I might add that the contract that we have with the University of California Press seems to have served as a starting point for negotiations for at least two other professional societies, who now have contracts with the Journals Division. In any case please give this matter some thought and convey your ideas to the members of the committee. **(Action Item)** The 2001-2002 Board needs to establish the composition and charge to this committee.

As many of you know, The Society for the Study of Social Problems remains a mostly invisible group to many social scientists and to most of the educated population of the United States of America. We are not a secret society nor do we glory in being exclusive. At times, we have championed our role as advocates for action to enact and implement policies that would ameliorate the social problems we study. When I received a letter in early May from the Teaching Learning Network about participating in a series for Public Television and for 150,000 secondary schools across the country, I thought about the possibility of publicizing the purpose of our Society and our journal, SOCIAL PROBLEMS to a much wider audience than we typically approach in our membership campaigns. According to the letter, the goal of each half-hour episode is "to focus media attention on your organization's priority issues and to advance your cause as we relate your story to millions of national viewers."

"Each 30-minute nationally broadcast feature is complemented by a highly targeted print campaign designed to generate ratings for our stations and our underwriters. During this on-point print and PR effort, our Public Relations department will work closely with you to determine placement, timing and demographic audience, giving each special episode the best possible exposure. As with print, episodes contain direct response information supplied by you. Our comparable national caliber productions including music licensing, graphic transitions and Internet integration run in the \$375,000 to \$450,000 budget range. Because of extensive corporate underwriting, we look to your organization only to develop a strong working partnership with us to defray certain pre-production costs associated with research, scripting Internet development, print mechanical layout and design. This amounts to \$58,500 plus minimal travel related expenses for a camera crew of 5 to 6 people not to exceed \$5,000."

I am recommending that the Society seriously consider this opportunity. I have attached to this report a list of confirmed participating organizations and institutions. A number of rather conservative voices on social policies will be heard. SSSP's voices should be heard as well. Further, a little work by a small committee composed of the experienced grant writers in the Society could find the \$63,500 needed to participate from sources outside or primarily outside our budget. **(Action Item)** The Board of Directors should endorse the further investigation of this project. Second, establish a committee to determine more details on what work participation in the series would require. The committee will investigate the possibility of securing support from foundations or other sources and draft an appropriate proposal to fund the activity.

After fifty years, our Society is still strong. Let us celebrate that fact and recognize the new social problems that confront us in an increasingly global context.

Gratefully submitted,  
Tom Hood, Executive Officer

**REPORT OF THE LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE**  
**SSSP Annual Meetings in Anaheim, California 2001**  
**Report submitted 6/25/01**

Committee Members: Valerie Jenness, Chair; Kimberly Richman, member.

The committee worked together with the assistance of Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer, SSSP, and Tom Hood, Executive Officer. The following summarizes our activities and decisions.

*WESTCOAST ANAHEIM HOTEL*

Tom and Michele previously made contact with Linda Toro, Convention Service Manager. Plans were made for Michele, John Galliher, President SSSP, and Kim and Val to walk through the hotel in January 2001 to approve the assigned rooms and make any needed arrangements for August. However, John was unable to make the trip, thus Michele, Val, and Kim met at the hotel on January 12, 2001. At that time, they reached agreement on the local arrangements for the upcoming meeting.

*AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT*

The local arrangements committee obtained a bid for audio visual equipment from a local company. Since the bid was not competitive and the services inconvenient, Michele and the local arrangements committee decided it was preferable to use the hotel's audio visual equipment and services. Specifically, the local company was not able/willing to provide on-sight services during the meetings.

*ON-SITE REGISTRATION*

The local arrangements committee ordered 400 copies of the restaurant guide through Janet Astner from ASA. The guides, along with all the books for the book exhibit and other materials, will be delivered to the Department of Criminology, Law, and Society at the University of California. Kim and Val will bring the restaurant guides, the books, and other materials to the Westcoast Anaheim on August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2001. All boxes will be labeled and an inventory list provided to Michele to ensure the safe delivery of the materials. The local arrangements committee will meet Michele at noon on August 15<sup>th</sup> to set up registration and the book exhibit.

*PROGRAM*

Valerie Jenness wrote a "Welcome to Orange County/Anaheim" message for the program. The local arrangements committee reviewed the preliminary and final programs and provided feedback to Michele Koontz.

*BANQUET*

Michele assumed sole responsibility for the banquet.

*MEDIA*

Kim prepared a press release that will be distributed to LA and Orange County press in advance of the meetings.

*BOARD OF DIRECTOR DINNER*

As has been the case in the past, the local arrangements committee encountered the problem of locating a restaurant that could meet our needs in terms of size and cost, as well as be desirable in terms of accessibility and being "labor friendly." Val and Kim assessed the options for an off-site dinner and then presented Michele with four options. In consultation with Val and Kim, Michele decided that Tessie's was the best option. Tessie's is a family owned business with reasonable prices. One liability of choosing Tessie's is that it is not within walking distance of the hotel, thus the local arrangements committee is arranging transportation from the hotel to the restaurant.

*OTHER*

At Michele and John's request, Val and Kim secured a band—the Butler Street Blues Band—to perform at a fundraiser for AIDS research. The band is receiving a \$250.00 honorarium for performing. Also, the local arrangements committee has assumed responsibility for providing beverages at the President's private party. Finally, the local arrangements committee will provide a laser printer for use at the meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Jenness and Kimberly Richman, Local Arrangements Committee  
University of California, Irvine

## Annual Report on Investment Performance

**TO: Board of Directors, Society for the Study of Social Problems**  
**FROM: Susan M. Carlson, Investment Advisor**  
**Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee**

### *Description of Investment Portfolio*

On December 31, 2000, the Society for the Study of Social Problems had an investment portfolio of \$507,231 at current market value. This portfolio comprised socially responsible investments of two types: (1) socially responsible mutual funds; and (2) certificates of deposit and money market account with community development banks and credit unions.

The Society holds investments with two socially responsible mutual funds. The managers of each of these funds use a stringent set of financial and social criteria in selecting securities for inclusion in the fund's portfolio. They also seek out companies that are model corporate citizens, and attempt to positively influence corporate behavior on important social issues by having a direct dialogue with corporate managers, filing shareholder resolutions, and proxy voting. While the specific criteria used by fund managers vary across funds, there are strong similarities. For example, all funds use "exclusionary screens" used to avoid companies involved in the production, sale, or distribution of alcohol, tobacco, firearms and military weapons, and nuclear energy. They also avoid companies that pollute the environment, use animals to test products, have weak employee/labor relations, diversity, and human rights records, and produce or distribute unsafe products.

The Society's largest investment in socially responsible mutual funds is with the Pax World Fund (\$301,090: \$272,740 Minority Scholarship; \$13,636 Lee Legacy; \$14,714 Life Membership). The Pax World Fund was established in 1970 and has a solid performance record. It is classified as a "domestic hybrid" fund which includes stocks, bonds, and cash equivalents. A hybrid or balanced fund is lower risk than a growth fund which typically includes only stocks. Morningstar gives the Pax World Fund a five-star rating (out of five) when it is compared with all other balanced funds (both socially responsible and non-socially responsible). The Board has restricted the income from the Minority Scholarship part of this investment be used to fund the minority scholarship.

The Society's second largest investment in socially responsible mutual funds is with the Domini Social Equity Fund (\$106,141), a "large blend" fund. The primary investment objective of the Domini Social Equity Fund is growth, and its portfolio consists of stocks. Thus, it is slightly higher risk than a hybrid/balanced fund. Morningstar gives the Domini Social Equity Fund a four-star rating (out of five).

The Society deposits most of its cash reserves with two community development banks and one community development credit union. The Society's money market account is with the Shore Bank in Chicago, the oldest community development lending institution in the nation. Certificates of deposit are held with First American Credit Union in Window Rock, Arizona (\$50,000) and the Community Bank of the Bay in Oakland, California (\$50,000). These investments are at competitive rates of interest. The Shore Bank money market account and certificate of deposit with Community Bank of the Bay are insured up to \$100,000 by the FDIC. The certificate of deposit with First American Credit Union is insured up to \$100,000 by the National Credit Union Administration.

The mission of community development banks and credit unions is to promote economic development in wealth disadvantaged communities by providing low interest small business loans, home mortgages, consumer loans, and banking services to people who otherwise would be denied these services and opportunities by conventional banking and credit institutions. Unlike conventional credit unions that are allowed only to accept deposits from a clearly defined group of clients, community development credit unions may accept deposits from individuals and institutions outside their client group. This increases resources available for promoting economic development in the disadvantaged communities these credit unions serve. Community development credit unions are democratically controlled, not-for-profit, insured and government regulated, and operated by voluntary boards of directors. The Society's investments in these community development institutions are used to provide the small business loans, home mortgages, and consumer loans that foster economic development within these communities.

### *Financial Performance: Socially Responsible Mutual Funds*

In the year 2000, the stock market recorded historic highs in the first quarter followed by precipitous declines through the end of the year, a trend that has continued in the first two quarters of 2001. Market analysts view the decrease in stock values as a correction for overvaluation of high tech stocks. Since both the Pax and Domini Funds contain a high proportion of equities in their portfolios, the net asset value of the Society's investments in these funds dropped, yielding a paper loss on investment of \$34,947. Despite this paper loss, however, the news on the performance of these mutual funds is not all bad.

The Pax World Fund investments yielded a total return of +5.66% in 2000. The net asset value of the Society's investment in the Pax Fund fell by \$10,816. However, the Fund paid a total of \$28,049 in dividend income and capital gains. Of this total, \$25,579 was from the minority scholarship investment, more than enough to cover two scholarships and travel stipends for the recipients. Income and capital gains for the Lee legacy and life membership Pax Fund accounts were \$1,244 and \$1,226, respectively.

The Domini Social Equity Fund recorded a total return of -15.05% in 2000. The Domini Fund is a growth fund with nearly 100% of its assets in equities of fluctuating market value. The Domini Fund paid long-term capital gains of \$2,926, but this gain was offset by a decrease in net asset value. The Domini Fund experienced a larger drop than the Pax Fund in its net asset value due to a larger proportion of its portfolio being invested in high tech stocks, the ones that lost the most in the recent downturn of the market.

The graphs below give the percentage change in real net asset value of the Pax and Domini Funds compared with two market standards—the Standard and Poor 500 Index (S&P 500) and the NASDAQ Index—for the five-year period from June 28, 1996 through June 29, 2001. The graph for the Pax Fund shows that there was a steady increase in the net asset value of the fund over the five-year period, resulting in a total increase in net asset value of about 50%. As a hybrid/balanced fund which pays considerable dividend income and capital gains, the increase in value of the Pax Fund was substantially less than either of the market standards. However, the graph shows far less fluctuation in value over time, consistent with the balanced nature of the fund and its lower level of risk.

The graph of the change in net asset value of the Domini Fund shows that it increased in value on par with, and at times more than, the S&P 500. Compared with the NASDAQ Index, the Domini Fund did not increase in value as much, nor lose as much of its gain. As of June 29, 2001, the net asset value of the Domini Fund had increased over its value on June 28, 1996 by 87.8% compared with 82.6% and 82.3% increases in the net asset value of the S&P 500 and NASDAQ indexes, respectively. This is impressive given the social criteria that are used in selecting stocks for the Domini Fund's portfolio.

#### *Social Performance: Socially Responsible Mutual Funds*

The Society's investments in socially responsible mutual funds are not merely about financial gains and losses; they are also about doing social good. The Domini Social Equity Fund files and encourages others to file shareholder resolutions with companies designed to change socially irresponsible and/or undesirable corporate behavior. Most of Domini's activism efforts focus on the sweatshop issue, workplace diversity and safety, and issues related to the environment. However, Domini Fund managers have recently added the issues of handgun violence, affordable HIV drugs, and excessive stock options granted to CEOs to their activism targets. During the current proxy-voting year, Domini has been involved in extensive dialogues with Walt Disney Co. and McDonald's regarding global labor standards, and filed a resolution with Emerson Electric to amend its nondiscrimination policy to include sexual orientation. Most notably, on February 1, 2001, Domini removed Wal-Mart from its portfolio and the Domini Social 400 Index from which stocks are selected. The "primary reason for Wal-Mart's removal from the Index was the company's failure to independent third party monitoring program to ensure that its overseas vendors and contract suppliers are meeting basic labor and human rights standards" ([www.domini.com/PR13.HTML](http://www.domini.com/PR13.HTML)). I would encourage Board members to visit the Domini website to see the full range of resolutions, proxy votes, and social activist initiatives by the Domini Fund ([www.domini.com](http://www.domini.com)). The Pax World Fund also promotes social activism and community development, and posts proxy votes on its website ([www.paxfund.com](http://www.paxfund.com)).

#### *Community Development Investments*

The Society's certificates of deposit with the Community Bank of the Bay and First American Credit Union are at market-based rates of interest, as is the money market account at the Shore Bank. What social good is being done through the use of the Society's funds in the disadvantaged communities served by these financial institutions?

First American Credit Union in Window Rock, Arizona, serves native peoples throughout Arizona, and in parts of New Mexico and Utah. Since its inception in 1962 as the Navajo Tribal Employee's Credit Union, First American has expanded its membership, and has made 619,539 loans totaling \$178,553,786, mostly in rural areas. Its mission is economic empowerment of its membership. By making deposits, the Society helps First American to achieve its mission.

Community Bank of the Bay (CBB) serves low and moderate income communities in Oakland and the entire San Francisco Bay Area. CBB uses deposits such as the Society's to make community development loans for affordable housing, small businesses, and nonprofit organizations. Its mission is "to promote economic prosperity and self reliance in low and moderate income areas.... The Bank's lending activities are designed to improve capital access in credit-deprived Bay Area Neighborhoods, thus helping to revitalize those communities." CBB's target market is small businesses and entrepreneurs who have no background in business and are considered to be too high risk by traditional lending institutions.

CBB really makes a difference in the communities it serves by increasing employment and affordable housing. ViaNovus, an Oakland-based software company, got its start with a loan from CBB. ViaNovus began with 18 employees and has increased the number to 50 with plans for 300. Loans provided for development and renovation of affordable housing through the Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Vacant Lot Development Program go a long way toward preventing homelessness in some of the poorest Bay-area communities served by CBB. Since its inception in 1996 through 1998, CBB made loans totaling \$22 million. In 1998 alone it made 57 loans totaling \$8.8 million. CBB provided working capital that created the opportunity for young people to gain valuable work experience and invested in a Youth Employment Partnership project that created 75 job-training positions and salvaged 800,000 board feet of old growth douglas fir and redwood lumber.

In sum, the Society's reserves that are deposited in community development banks and credit unions are being used to economically empower both urban and rural communities in different parts of the nation. The few examples noted above show just some of the good work these community development financial institutions are accomplishing.

At its mid-year meeting, the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee adopted a set of guidelines for making future investments in community development financial institutions. These guidelines include geographic criteria designed to ensure an equitable distribution of the Society's deposits across the nation, social criteria that maximize the racial-ethnic and urban-rural diversity of the low-income communities the Society's deposits benefit, and financial criteria that protect the Society's assets.

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### Smigel Award Committee Report

**TO: SSSP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 2000-2001, 2001-2002**  
**FROM: Lynn Schlesinger, Chair – 2000-2001 Smigel Award Committee**

We received one application for the Smigel Award, and asked that the applicant, Chris Baker, be given the maximum allowed (\$500). Chris is presenting at a session, organizing a session and acting Division Chair of the Conflict, Social Action and Change Division.

We received two other inquiries well after the published deadline. One of the inquiries was from Japan, and the other was from the U.S.

I believe this is the second year in a row that the committee received very few applications. My primary concern is that the award be publicized broadly next year. I had not realized that the main SSSP newsletter and the website were the primary sites for distributing information about the award. While recipients must be members of SSSP and actively involved in the meetings, we can insist that recipients pay their dues by a certain deadline. The deadline would need to be before the final program is printed. I suggest that next year's committee work with the executive office to develop a plan for promoting the award, within and outside of SSSP. Division newsletters should "advertise" all of our awards. Similarly, we could publicize the Smigel award and others wherever SSSP publishes its call for papers.

This would also give the committee a goal. In the last two years there has not been much for the committee to do, as there have been few applicants and no question about their eligibility.

I will not be at the meetings but should any questions arise please call 518-562-3431 and someone will get a message to me. I asked Michele Koontz to cancel the committee meeting this year.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve SSSP.



## Meeting Manager Report

**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Michele Smith Koontz  
Administrative Officer & Meeting Manager

### I. 2001 ANNUAL MEETING:

I am pleased to report that 372 members have pre-registered for the Annual Meeting. Of the 372 attendees, 33 (9%) are exempt from paying meeting registration. Last year at this time, we had 417 pre-registered. This is a decrease of 11%.

We have 85 sessions with 288 papers and 28 panelists scheduled over the next three days. The 8 films are sponsored by California Newsreel, Media Education Foundation, and Women Make Movies.

This year, we offered a service for spouses/guests of SSSP members. For \$10, each spouse/guest will receive a name badge only (name only, no affiliation). Any spouse/guest wanting full access to SSSP sessions or special events and a program packet must register individually and pay the full registration fee and membership dues. There were 20 people who took advantage of this service. Note, I did not include those 20 people in the total number of pre-registered members.

Special discounted tickets to Disneyland were made available. Fourteen tickets were requested by members.

### II. PRE-REGISTRATION:

The problem of collecting pre-registration fees from program participants was faced again this year. After the initial mailing requesting payment of pre-registration fees, 197 participants had not paid. This is an increase of 18% from last year. A second mailing was sent stating that they would be deleted from the final program if payment was not received by July 13. Sixty-nine failed to respond. After discussing this with John Galliher, President, and Lionel Maldonado, Program Committee Chair, we decided not to delete these participants from the final program.

The preliminary program and pre-registration information were made available on the SSSP website. Without this option, there would be an even larger number of non-paying program participants.

### III. ADVERTISING:

A letter was faxed to 150 publishing companies encouraging them to advertise in the final program. This year, \$1,100 in advertising was sold to: Aldine de Gruyter, Georgia State University, North Carolina State University and Temple University Press. This amount will help offset the costs of printing and shipping the final programs.

### IV. BOOK EXHIBIT:

Based on the feedback from the 2000 annual meeting evaluations, participants continue to enjoy the expanded book exhibit. The Executive Office contracted with the Library of Social Science again this year. They will organize and manage the book exhibit without cost to the Society. More than 350 books from 37 publishing companies will be on exhibit.

### V. REGISTRATION WORKERS AND LOW INCOME ACCOMMODATIONS:

Seven student members will be working at the registration desk. In exchange for working 12 hours, they will receive a complimentary shared hotel room for the nights of August 16, 17, and 18. Nine members received a reduced room rate of \$86 plus 15.7% tax per night.

Information about the roommate matching service was sent to program participants and included in the preliminary program. Twelve members requested this service. On June 15, an email was sent to them listing the names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of those willing to participate.

### VI. MEETING MENTOR PROGRAM:

Information about the meeting mentor program was placed in the *SSSP Newsletter* and preliminary program. Four graduate students requested this service. Sarah Fischesser, Student Board Representative and I contacted four meeting veterans to see if they were willing to serve as meeting mentors. All agreed to serve in this capacity.

### VII. ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES:

SSSP has taken proactive steps toward meeting the special needs of our disabled members. Written guidelines were distributed to all meeting participants to assist them in being increasingly creative in their inclusiveness. We requested that all attendees refrain from wearing any scented products. Smoking is not permissible in any restaurants, bars or lobby areas per California State law.

Again, SSSP has reserved a hospitality suite where attendees coping with meeting fatigue, illness, or stress can escape from the noise and bustle of meeting activities. This space is provided in response to concerns brought to the Executive Office by the Accessibility Committee and SSSP members.

There was a section on accessibility services on the registration form. Registrants were able to request a sign language interpreter for program sessions or committee meetings, a sighted guide and/or reservation oversight. No requests were made for these services.

#### **VIII. AUDIO-VISUAL:**

SSSP will provide an overhead projector and screen in every meeting room. Any additional equipment had to be arranged by the presenter with the in-house AVMS Audio Visual Department. The cost of additional equipment was borne by the presenter.

After numerous attempts, Valerie Jenness and I were able to negotiate a 30% discount on audio-visual equipment. Our hotel contract allows presenters to bring their own equipment to the session. In an effort to reduce audio-visual costs, California Newsreel, Media Education Foundation, and Women Make Movies will share the costs associated with the film exhibit.

#### **IX. AIDS FUNDRAISER AND ART SILENT AUCTION:**

John Galliher, Valerie Jenness and I worked closely to organize this event. The Blues Street Band featuring SSSP member, Henry Pontell will play. This year, SSSP will not be hosting a Graduate Student and New Member Reception. Instead, all graduate students will receive a complimentary ticket to the AIDS Fundraiser with their registration materials. All others will pay a \$10 cover. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. A limited cash bar will be available.

Joseph Gusfield, Richard Quinney and Juliet Saltman have donated art work for the Art Silent Auction. All proceeds from the sale of the art work will go to Laguna Shanti, a non-profit social service agency that has been providing wellness programs to persons in Orange County affected with HIV, AIDS and other life-threatening illnesses since 1987.

#### **X. CATERING:**

I am pleased to report that the catering costs at the WestCoast Anaheim Hotel are considerably less than most hotels that SSSP has worked with during the past five years. Also, Chancellor Richard Wallace, University of Missouri, Columbia has made a financial contribution to the Annual Meeting. This money will be used to offset some of the catering costs.

#### **XI. RECEPTION HONORING PAST PRESIDENTS AND THE AWARDS BANQUET:**

The Reception Honoring Past Presidents and the Awards Banquet will be held at the WestCoast Anaheim Hotel. The Reception Honoring Past Presidents is complimentary to all members. It will feature heavy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

The Awards Banquet will feature a Mexican buffet. SSSP is charging \$40 per person for a banquet ticket. The actual cost of a banquet ticket is \$35.45 per person (\$27.95 food cost + 18% gratuity + 7.5% sales tax). The surplus will be used to offset catering costs associated with the Reception Honoring Past Presidents. Currently, we have sold 112 tickets.

It is becoming more difficult to negotiate a hotel contract without holding the Awards Banquet at the hotel. In order for SSSP to receive a favorable sleeping room rate and complimentary meeting room rental, we must guarantee a certain amount of catering. This is not possible without including the Awards Banquet. I would encourage the Board of Directors to discuss the future of holding the Awards Banquet offsite.

#### **XII. MEETING MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES:**

I worked closely with Wendy Moore, Convention Services Manager, in planning the annual meeting. I provided her with details for 1) hospitality rooms; 2) VIP packages; 3) audio-visual requirements; 4) catering for more than 25 food functions; 5) meeting room set up; and 6) signage. I will review the master account before leaving the hotel. Wendy responded professionally and competently. It has been a pleasure to work with her.

I spent numerous hours reviewing the wants and needs of the membership. Upon compilation of the requirements of the membership, I set out to accomplish the following:

- 1) Prepare the overall design for the program and front cover. Prepare front matter describing the conference site, activities and special events for the preliminary and final program. Special events will include: book/film exhibit, banquet, child-care information, information on plane reservations and major driving routes and special features of the meeting site.
- 2) Negotiate a contract with a travel and rental car agency that will offer special rates for the membership. (Association Travel Concepts allows SSSP members to call the vendors directly or use their own agency. SSSP receives credit when members provided the SSSP ID# before purchasing their ticket. Unfortunately, SSSP did not receive any complimentary airline tickets last year.)

3) **Efficient registration area.**

I have recruited 7 graduate students to assist Lisa and I during registration. I also compiled the following materials that are included in the registration bags. (Final Program, Business Meeting Agenda, Evaluation, City Map, Sociological Abstract and ASA Restaurant Guide).

In an effort to reduce costs next year, I would encourage the Board to forego the purchase of Sociological Abstracts. The cost of an abstract is \$3.75. Last year due to a cost increase, we only purchased 400 copies. Instead of placing an abstract in each attendee's registration packet, copies were made available at the registration desk. Only about half of these were taken. Typically, Sociological Abstracts advertise in our final program. This revenue helps to offset the purchase cost. Unfortunately, they chose not to purchase ad space this year.

It is very time consuming to plan an annual meeting. There are many details that must not be overlooked. I have been very fortunate to work with John Galliher, Lionel Maldonado, Valerie Jenness, Tom Hood, Lisa Anne Zilney and Wendy Moore. I want to thank them for their guidance, knowledge, and support that was given freely throughout the year.

I would like to thank you, the Board of Directors, again for giving me the opportunity to serve SSSP as meeting manager. I welcome the opportunity to continue this service next year in Chicago, IL.

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### **Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee Report**

**TO: SSSP Board of Directors**  
**FROM: James Orcutt, Chair**

During the 2000 annual meeting, the Board of Directors passed a motion asking the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee (POC) "to consider different options regarding the annual meeting" with a view toward increasing the revenue or reducing the expense of the meetings. Members of the POC subsequently corresponded by e-mail about this issue and reviewed relevant results of a 1992 survey of the SSSP membership about annual meeting preferences (see attachment).

POC members suggested several options for decreasing annual meeting expenses, including meeting on university campuses, finding less expensive hotels, and meeting in smaller cities where expenses might be lower. In a similar vein, last year's POC discussed the possibility of holding the SSSP annual meeting in a different (and presumably less expensive) location than the ASA meeting on alternate years.

However, some of these proposals seem to run contrary to the sentiment of SSSP members who responded to the 1992 survey on annual meeting preferences. Although it should be kept in mind that only about 40 percent of members returned the survey, most of those respondents (61 percent) stated a preference for a one or two day overlap with the ASA meetings. Furthermore, an estimate made this year by the SSSP Executive Office indicates that approximately 70 percent of SSSP members are also members of ASA. Therefore, any move to "decouple" the SSSP meeting from the ASA meeting might further erode attendance at the SSSP meetings.

Before proceeding with any further planning or action on changing the time or location of the annual meeting, it might be useful to conduct another survey of the general membership of SSSP to update the 1992 survey. It is particularly important to determine how members feel about the current practice of meeting in the same city as ASA with a two-day overlap between the two meetings (which was not the case in the 1992 survey). The preferences of members about other proposals, such as meeting in smaller cities or on university campuses, should also be ascertained before any further action is taken along these lines.

Therefore, we recommend that the Board approve the development and mailing (or e-mailing) of a new survey to SSSP members regarding various options for reducing the expenses or increasing the revenues of the annual meeting. The POC should be involved in the design and analysis of this survey if it is approved.

## Social Action Award Committee Report

The Committee received three nominations for the 2001 Social Action award. All three were highly qualified deserving organizations who have had significant impact in their communities. Rankings of these nominees were received from five of the six committee members. As you can see from the chart below, although Inncity Struggle received the highest score, South Asia Network was a very close second receiving the same number of first choice votes. Given the closeness of this vote I am asking the Board to consider presenting South Asia Network with a token award and invitations to the Banquet.

ORGANIZATION	REVIEWER					SCORE	RANKING
	A	B	C	D	E		
South Asia Network	1	3	3	1	2	10	2
Inncity Struggle	2	1	2	2	1	8	1
Hermandad	3	2	1	3	3	12	3

I will, of course, inform the Committee members of the Board's decision. If this outcome meets with Committee's approval we will be able to cancel the Social Action Award Committee meeting scheduled to meet on Friday, August 17 from 5:00pm - 6:45pm in the Top Notch Room.

I will also be calling to inform Inncity Struggle of their award and to invite them to the Banquet.

Thank you, everyone for your participation and I look forward to seeing you in August.

Patricia Morgan

## Lee Founders Award Committee Report

**To: John Galliher, President  
SSSP Board of Directors**  
**From: Ellen Reese, Committee Chair**

The members of the Lee Founders Award Committee are:

Lawrence T. Nichols (Chair-Elect), Henry H. Brownstein, Shelley Kowalski, Paul Steele, Theodore H. Tsoukalas.

The committee received three nominations for the Lee Founders Award this year. The new nominees were: Judy Feld Carr, Valerie Jenness, and Thomas J. Scheff. On the advice of last year's chair, Herbert A. Aurbach, the committee also reconsidered the nominations received last year that were not selected for the award. Those nominees were Valerie Jenness (who was also re-nominated this year) and Paul B. Horton.

I sent the nomination and supporting documents to all of the members. I received votes from all of the members except for Paul Steele who declined his vote. Members put the four nominees in rank order. I gave 4 points to each member's top choice, 3 points to their second choice, 2 points to their third choice, and 1 point to their last choice. Based on this point system, we selected Valerie Jenness as our winner.

Committee members were especially impressed with three areas of Valerie Jenness' accomplishments: (1) the amount, nature, and quality of her research and writing on hate crimes and prostitutes' rights; (2) her service as a public intellectual; she has made considerable effort to inform the public, through public presentations, workshops, and interviews with the media about hate crime legislation, violence against women, gays, and lesbians, and prostitutes' rights; (3) her history of service to the SSSP.

Valerie Jenness has been notified of the award and plans to attend the awards banquet.

## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

### **2001 C. WRIGHT MILLS AWARD**

Nominations are now open for the 2001 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 2001 award nominations is January 15, 2002. The 2001 award will be presented at the Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, August 15-17, 2002.

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 2001 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 Rhys H. Williams, Chair  
C. Wright Mills Award Committee  
Department of Sociology  
P.O. Box 210378  
University of Cincinnati  
Cincinnati, OH 45221-0378  
Work: (513) 556-4717; Fax: (513) 556-0057  
Email: WILLIARY@EMAIL.UC.EDU**

**For further information, contact:**

**Tom Hood, Executive Officer or Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer  
Work: (865) 974-3620; Fax: (865) 974-7013; Email: mkoontz3@utk.edu**

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

## 2002 MINORITY SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are being accepted for the 2002 Minority Scholarship. Members of the Society should urge qualified candidates to apply for this award. **The deadline for applications is March 15, 2002.** Applicants will be notified of the results by July 15, 2002.

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 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 3.2
- 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

Depending upon the availability of funds from the designated account, up to two \$10,000 scholarships will be awarded. An additional \$500 will be awarded to each winner for attendance at the annual meeting. Payments will be made in equal installments in September 2002 and January 2003. 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 Minority Scholarship Fund Committee and attend the scheduled meeting of the committee

### STUDENT APPLICATION PROCESS

Eight complete application packets should be sent to the Committee Chair. **Incomplete packets will not be reviewed.** Each packet should be self-contained and include the following:

1) Minority Scholarship Application; 2) Transcript (one official copy and the rest copies); 3) Resume or Curriculum Vitae; 4) Three letters of recommendation, including one from the Graduate Program Director or Advisor (These letters can be in sealed and signed envelopes, if needed.); 5) Personal statement of commitment to a career of scholar activism; 6) If the scholarship request is in support of dissertation research, the applicant should provide the research topic and summary of proposed research and approach.

Contact Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer  
to receive an application or visit our homepage  
<http://www.it.utk.edu/sssp>.

SSSP, 906 McClung Tower, University of Tennessee  
Knoxville, TN 37996-0490  
Work: (865) 974-3620; Fax: (865) 974-7013  
Email: [mkoontz3@utk.edu](mailto:mkoontz3@utk.edu)

### EIGHT COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKETS SHOULD BE SENT TO:

Cecilia Menjivar  
Chair, Minority Scholarship Fund Committee  
School of Justice Studies, Arizona State University  
Tempe, AZ 85287-0403  
Work: (480) 965-7631; Fax: (480) 965-9199  
Email: [menjivar@asu.edu](mailto:menjivar@asu.edu)

# MINORITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code) (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: (Applicant should be a citizen of the United States)

- Black/African American \_\_\_\_\_
- Alaskan Native \_\_\_\_\_
- Latino/Hispanic (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- American Indian--tribal affiliation \_\_\_\_\_
- Asian (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- Pacific Islander (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

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

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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)

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Mother'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+		

### STUDENT APPLICATION PROCESS

Seven complete application packets should be sent to the Committee Chair. **Incomplete packets will not be reviewed.** Each packet should be self-contained and include the following:

- (1) SSSP Minority Scholarship Application
- (2) Transcript (one official copy & the rest copies)
- (3) Resume or Curriculum Vitae
- (4) Three letters of recommendation, including one from the Graduate Program Director or Advisor (These letters can be in sealed and signed envelopes, if needed.)
- (5) Personal statement of commitment to a career of scholar activism
- (6) If the scholarship request is in support of dissertation research, the applicant should provide the research topic and summary of proposed research and approach.

### 8 COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKETS SHOULD BE SENT TO:

Cecilia Menjivar, Chair, Minority Scholarship Fund Committee  
School of Justice Studies, Arizona State University  
Tempe, AZ 85287-0403

Work: (480) 965-7631; Fax: (480) 965-9199; Email: menjivar@asu.edu



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# ***TRAVEL FUNDS AVAILABLE***

**The 2002 ERWIN O. SMIGEL FUND COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES:  
FUNDS AVAILABLE for UNEMPLOYED and UNDEREMPLOYED SOCIOLOGISTS  
to participate at the 2002 Annual Meeting, August 15-17, Chicago, IL.**

The Erwin O. Smigel Fund was established in about 1975 to provide assistance to unemployed and underemployed sociologists (i.e., sociologists who have completed their graduate studies and are teaching on a part-time or ad hoc basis). 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 Fund guidelines: 1) the Smigel Fund 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.

Applications (see next page) should be sent **no later than March 15** to:

**Rachel L. Einwohner**  
**Department of Sociology and Anthropology, 1365 Stone Hall, Purdue University**  
**West Lafayette, IN 47907-1365**  
**Work: (765) 494-4696; Fax: (765) 496-1476; Email: EINWOHNERR@SRI.SOC.PURDUE.EDU**

**OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**  
*Patricia Morgan, University of California, Berkeley*  
*André L. Williams, Virginia State University*



# **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

## **2002 SOCIAL ACTION AWARD**

Nominations are open for the 2002 Social Action Award. Members 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 it established this award, 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 **Chicago 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 16, 2002 at the SSSP Awards Banquet in Chicago, IL. **Deadline for nominations is May 15, 2002.**

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### ***2002 SOCIAL ACTION AWARD NOMINATION FORM*** (Please include the following information when making a nomination.)

**Your Name, Address, and Phone.**

**The Organization You Wish to Nominate.**

**Organization's Address.**

**Organizational Contact Person and Phone Number.**

**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 TO:**

**Jon Shefner**

**Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee**

**901 McClung Tower**

**Knoxville, TN 37996-0490**

**Work: (865) 974-7022; Fax: (865) 974-7013; Email: JSHEFNER@UTK.EDU**

# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

## 2002 LEE FOUNDERS AWARD

Nominations are now open for the 2002 Lee Founders Award. Members of the Society are urged to submit the names of nominees.

Work: (304) 293-5801, ext 3206;

Fax: (304) 293-5994

Email: LNICHO2@WVU.EDU

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 for the Study of Social Problems and especially to the humanist tradition of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee.

Previous winners include:

- 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, Univ. 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

The 2002 award will be presented at the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, August 15-17, 2002. Nominations and supporting documents should be sent no later than April 15, 2002 to:

Lawrence T. Nichols, Chair  
Dept of Soc & Anthro, West Virginia University  
PO Box 6326, 307 Knapp Hall  
Morgantown, WV 26506

### CRITERIA FOR THE LEE FOUNDERS AWARD

1. The nominee must have been an active member of the Society for the Study of Social Problems 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 for the Study of Social Problems. 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.

# ***TRAVEL FUNDS AVAILABLE***

## **THE LEE SCHOLAR-ACTIVIST SUPPORT FUND COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES:**

### **Funds Available for Foreign Scholar-Activists to participate in the 2002 Annual Meeting, August 15-17, Chicago, IL.**

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.

Applications (see next page) should be sent no later than March 15 to:

**Patricia Morgan**  
1916 Woolsey Street  
Berkeley, CA 94703

**Home: (510) 843-3106; Fax: (510) 849-0578; Email: MOMORGAN@UCLINK4.BERKELEY.EDU**

#### **Other Committee Members:**

*Alfonso R. Latoni, University of Puerto Rico*  
*Lora Lempert, University of Michigan, Dearborn*

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## **THE LEE STUDENT SUPPORT FUND COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES:**

### **Funds Available for Graduate Students to participate in the 2002 Annual Meeting, August 15-17, Chicago, IL.**

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 graduate students. For the 2002 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.

Applications (see next page) should be sent no later than March 15 to:

**Catherine Fobes**  
Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Alma University  
614 West Superior Street  
Alma, MI 48801-1599

**Phone: (989) 463-7257; Fax: (989) 463-7277; Email: FOBES@ALMA.EDU**

#### **Other Committee Members:**

*JoAnn Miller, Purdue University*  
*Carolyn Perrucci, Purdue University*

**Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund or the Lee Student Support Fund Application**  
**APPLICATION DEADLINE--MARCH 15, 2002**

(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 a graduate student, you must apply to 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.)

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\_\_\_\_\_

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 \$.18/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 meeting room rate is: \$135 plus 14.9% sales 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.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

## BOOK WINNERS

### *Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division*

The Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division's 2001 Outstanding Scholar Award honors two nominated books. The winners are:

Mark Colvin, George Mason University (*Crime and Coercion: An Integrated Theory of Chronic Criminality*, St. Martin's Press, 2000) and Jeffrey Ian Ross, University of Baltimore (*Making News of Police Violence: A Comparative Study of Toronto and New York City*, Praeger, 2000). Congratulations to both authors for important contributions to the field of criminology.

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## EMPLOYMENT

### *Sociology Job Announcement*

Georgia Institute of Technology. The School of History, Technology, and Society announces an anticipated opening for an tenure-trace, Assistant Professor with expertise in the sociology of race and ethnicity. Georgia Tech is a well-established Research One institution located in the heart of Atlanta. The School of History, Technology, and Society is a multi-disciplinary unit composed of sociologists and historians. The successful candidate must demonstrate the potential for excellence in both research and teaching, and will be expected to contribute to the unit's undergraduate and Ph.D. programs. Send letter of application, c.v., and three letters of reference to Sociology Search Committee, School of History, Technology, and Society, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta GA 30332-0345. Review of applications will begin October 31<sup>st</sup> Georgia Institute of Technology is an equal opportunity employer; members of historically excluded groups are particularly encouraged to apply.

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## EDUCATION

### *PhD in Sociology with a specialization in Social Justice*

An exciting new doctoral program is being offered in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the University of Windsor. In September, 2002, the university will be accepting its first students into the PhD in Sociology, with a specialization in Social Justice.

Doctoral students will be accepted into the program

with the possibility of a graduate assistantship, tuition waiver, and competitive scholarship totaling more than \$15,000 for the first year. Students will work with faculty who have a wide range of expertise in social justice issues, and will participate in a stimulating intellectual environment for pursuing their own interests in this growing field of specialization.

Our twenty-eight full-time faculty members have strong scholarly records with expertise in the areas of criminology and law, gender and equity issues, health, HIV/AIDS, international development, racism and ethnicity, sexuality, gay and lesbian studies, social movements, and work. The concept of Social Justice encapsulates the department's common interest in the consequences of social inequality and the possibilities for social change. It also addresses our desire to push the boundaries of the discipline of Sociology to address the current dramatic changes taking place in the world due to the effects of globalization and restructuring. This program will enable students to develop advanced sociological training, both methodologically and theoretically, for pursuing their interests in the Social Justice field. The department offers excellent resources for doctoral research in both qualitative and quantitative methodologies.

We urge you and your colleagues to spread the word about this new doctoral program to students who may be interested. The deadline for applications is January 31, 2002, to be considered for scholarship support. If you would like further information about admissions, please contact Dr. Barry Adam, Chair of the Graduate Committee, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario, Canada N9B 3P4, e-mail [adam@uwindsor.ca](mailto:adam@uwindsor.ca), or see our website at: [www.socialjusticeuniversity.org](http://www.socialjusticeuniversity.org)

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## LISTSERVE

### *Erving Goffman*

In the 20 years since his death, eight monographs and edited volumes along with one reader interpreting Goffman's work have been published in Europe and the United States. An even larger number conference sessions and papers have been devoted to an analysis of his work and legacy. If you are interested in joining a continuing discussion on the life and work of one of the most widely cited sociologists of all time, please subscribe to the Erving Goffman listserv at <https://mail.lsit.ucsb.edu/mailman/listinfo.cgi/goffman>

Co-moderators of the listserv are Thomas J. Scheff (University of California, Santa Barbara) and A. Javier Trevino (Wheaton College, Massachusetts).

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