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TO: SSSP Board of Directors and SSSP Editorial and Publications Committee

FROM: Stephen R. Couch, Editor, *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter*

RE: Annual Report of the Editor of *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter*

I have now completed my sixth and final year as Editor of the SSSP Newsletter (Volume 35, Number 3 through Volume 36, Number 2). As in the previous five years, this year's issues have appeared on schedule and within the allotted budget.

I wish to thank those who contributed to *Social Problems Forum*. Special thanks go to Holly Angelique, Kathleen Ferraro, Marc Flacks, Michael DeCesare, Lloyd Klein, Ken Kyle, and David R. Rudy, for their contributions ranging from book reviews to essays.

As I reflect on my time as editor, I am pleased with the changes in the Newsletter that we have accomplished during my tenure. The name has been changed to reflect that the Newsletter is more than a newsletter, and includes essays, book reviews, etc. We initiated the Presidential Reflections Series and the feature, "Convergences and Divergences: Points of View on Social Problems." I hope that members will increase their contributions to "Letters to the Editor" and will send in news of their professional accomplishments, including books, conference papers, travel, teaching news, and so on.

I wish to thank Tom Hood and Michele Koontz for their excellent assistance over my six years as Editor. My heartfelt thanks also go to the Newsletter's Editorial Assistant, Anne Mercuri, who for six years superbly handled the technical side of editing the Newsletter. I would not have been able to do this job without her.

It has been a privilege and a joy for me to serve the SSSP as Newsletter Editor for two terms. I want to thank the Board of Directors and the Editorial and Publications Committee for your consistent support of the SSSP Newsletter.