

**2008-2009 REPORT TO THE EDITORIAL AND PUBLICATIONS
and BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

Review of Newsletter Content

Over the last year, *SPF* has published a number commentaries, columns and related features of interest. It has also continued to present official materials of interest to members as set out by the by-laws and tradition. The quality of the features remain high, although I am striving to attract greater numbers of provocative features for presentation in future issues. As usual, columns by Tom Hood and a “News of Note” have appeared in each of the last three issues. In addition, two Presidential Reflections essays, two “Job Talk” features, one commentary, two book reviews, one obituary and one new feature, Book Roundtable, have appeared over the last year.

I continue to actively solicit photo essays, preliminary findings, commentaries, letters to the editor, and the like, from our members, student and non-student alike. Also, in the coming year readers can look forward to *SPF*'s first feature in Spanish, guest edited by Richard A. Dello Buono, Global Division Chair (2005-2007). I hope this will be received as a tangible sign of SSSP's ongoing commitment to international concerns.

Editor's Business

As was the case last year, *SPF* was approached by a couple of potential advertisers. Unfortunately, the actual publication date of our newsletter did not meet their needs. In the future I will continue to work with would-be advertisers. Still, I do not envision this ever becoming a regular source of revenue for SSSP given the times when the newsletter generally comes out and our inability to set the actual publication date each issue.

Finally, this completes the first year of my second term as editor of *SPF*. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the Society for the Study of Social of Social Problems in this capacity. The administration at my university, California State University, East Bay (CSUEB), has continued to offer its support in my efforts, as has my department and college. Accordingly, I would like to thank my university administration and staff for their support. Also, please let me thank Michele Koontz, Tom Hood, Sharon Shumaker and Sarah Hendricks for their continued support and encouragement.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully,

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Proposed 2009-2010 *Social Problems Forum* Budget

Society for the Study of Social Problems contributions

\$12,000 for three, four-unit course releases (one release per quarter)

\$500 honorarium

CSUEB Contributions

Miscellaneous Expenses: Office space, telephone, xerox and printing and postage.