

## **Social Problems Forum – The SSSP Newsletter**

2010-2011 Report to the Board of Directors, Editorial and Publications Committee, and the Budget,  
Finance and Audit Committee

The past year represents my first year as Editor of *Social Problems Forum*. Two major changes occurred this year. First, the Editorship transitioned from Drs. Stephen Couch and Anne Mercuri, who edited Volume 41, Number 3, to Georgia State University, beginning with Volume 42, Number 1. Second, the newsletter transitioned from a paper format to an electronic format. All members of SSSP now receive the newsletter electronically (via e-mail or via the SSSP website). In spite of the changes, the newsletter continues to be a vital source of information regarding the society.

In addition to the continued publication of key information for members about the ongoing activities of the SSSP, Drs. Couch and Mercuri and I published the following in the newsletter [Vol. 41(3) – Vol. 42(2)]:

- A feature article on the issue of suicide amongst gay teens, by Monica Swahn
- A feature article on the issue of immigration policy reform, by Matthew Lee
- A feature article on the attacks on Frances Fox Piven made by Glenn Beck, by Barbara Katz Rothman
- An essay on plagiarism by Bonnie Berry
- A series of reflections on the first year of University teaching
- Three book reviews

Respectfully submitted,

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Proposed Budget (2011-2012)

### Society for the Study of Social Problems Contributions

\$12,000 to support a Graduate Assistant/ Editorial Assistant at GSU

\$500 Honorarium

### Contributions from GSU

Office Space for the Editorial Assistant

Laptop computer for the Editorial Assistant

Phone, Copying, Printing, Postage

The department of Criminal Justice is officially on a 3-2 teaching load. Dr. Brian Payne (Chair – Dept. of Criminal Justice) has committed to maintaining my teaching at a 2-2 load for the duration of my editorship.