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2009 Annual Meeting

Program Theme: *“Race, Ethnicity, and the Continuing Problem of the Color Line”*



59th Annual Meeting August 7th to 9th, 2009
The Stanford Court Hotel, San Francisco, CA

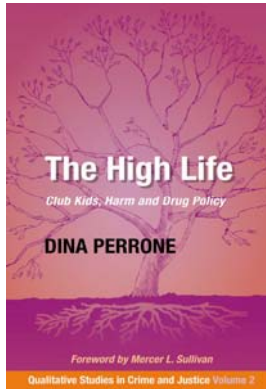
We hope to see you there!

Details about Drinking & Drugs conference sessions on pages 5 through 8

New Publications

Dina Perrone (Bridgewater State University)

THE HIGH LIFE: Club Kids, Harm and Drug Policy

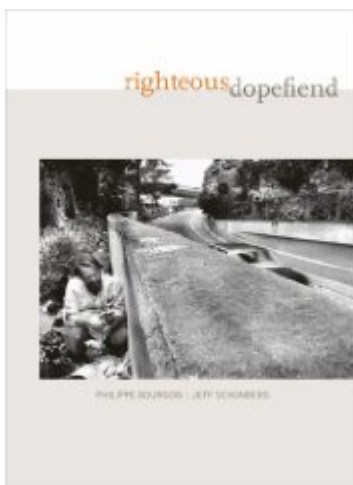


“A new study of New York City drug users (ages 22-33) who self-identify as (dance) “club kids” challenges stereotypes of the typical drug user and common assumptions about controlling drug-related harms. Ethnographic research illuminates the club kids’ distinctive subculture, describes their patterns of drug use, and explores the factors that protect them from harms such as arrests and illness. Richly detailed and remarkably candid interview data vividly portray how the subjects manage to maintain productive, middle-class lifestyles despite engaging in heavy drug use.”

Currently Available from Criminal Justice Press:

<http://www.criminaljusticepress.com/142.html>

Philippe Bourgois (Anthropology and Family and Community Medicine, University of Pennsylvania) and Jeff Schonberg (Medical Anthropology, University of California, San Francisco).



RIGHTEOUS DOPEFIEND

"Plunge beneath the surface of America's no-man's lands. Find in the dead-end alleyways, storage lots, and overgrown embankments the terrifying but strangely ordered world of homeless heroin injectors. This book will test your cultural relativism to destruction, but along the way you will learn a great deal about destitution, about homelessness, about addiction, and about violence at all levels. These dopefiends are 'made in America'."

Paul Willis

Author of *Learning to Labor: How Working Class Kids Get Working Class Jobs*, and co-founding editor of *Ethnography*

Available now at: <http://www.ucpress.edu/books/pages/9188.php>

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Announcements:

SSSP Membership: You can renew your SSSP membership via the secure website at:
<http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/pagid/925/fuseaction/ssspmember.portal>

All SSSP members receive a year's subscription to the journal, Social Problems. Upon joining SSSP any past issues in the membership year will be provided to new members. Members also receive Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter. Social Problems Forum is published three times year. Members are eligible to join up to three of SSSP's special problems divisions at no additional charge. With numerous special problem divisions, three is a hard choice. For a small charge of \$2 per division, members can join the other 18 as well. Membership in the special problems divisions allows current members to vote on who will be chair of the division and also receive the division's unique newsletters. All current members receive a reduced rate to attend our Annual Meeting.

Drinking & Drugs Division Reception

The Section SSSP Drinking and Drugs Division will once again be holding its annual joint reception with the ASA Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco. This year's reception will be held at the **Institute for Scientific Analysis at 390 4th Street** in San Francisco.

Date/Time: Sunday August 9, 2009 starting at 7 pm.



POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

Behavioral Science Training in Drug Abuse Research

PURPOSE: This postdoctoral program supports behavioral scientists who wish to learn about and develop careers in advanced research in the area of drug use and misuse.

THE RESEARCH AND TRAINING EXPERIENCE: Postdoctoral Fellows will develop knowledge of and skills in drug abuse research through hands-on experience and formal training. Working closely with senior project directors, Fellows participate in on-going research and develop their own research projects. Examples of on-going projects include studies related to drug abuse and crime, intravenous drug use, HIV/AIDS, prenatal and maternal drug use, treatment of mentally ill drug abusers, teen drug use and psychosocial health, and evaluations of several treatment programs. In-house training emphasizes field data collection, statistical analysis, computer use, program evaluation, professional writing for publication, proposal writing, policy-making, and the practical application of these skills. Fellows are encouraged to carry out their own projects, conduct their own research, and submit grant proposals to funding sources. In addition, Fellows may enroll at universities in the metropolitan area to take advanced courses on drug abuse research, related substantive topics, and research methodologies as deemed necessary to round out their professional expertise.

BENEFITS: Fellows will receive an annual stipend ranging from \$36,996 (with no postdoctoral experience) to \$51,036 (with 7 years experience), health insurance, tuition and fees and research-related support. Fellowship appointments are made for a period of 12 months and renewable for a second 12 month period.

SPONSOR: The training program is sponsored by the Medical and Health Research Association of New York City, Inc. and is located at the National Development and Research Institutes, Inc., both are private nonprofit research institutes with close ties to the Columbia University School of Public Health. A brochure describing MHRA and NDRI is available upon request.

APPLICATION: While it is not essential to have written a dissertation on some aspect of drug abuse, candidates must have **completed doctorates** and have a serious interest in a career in drug abuse research. Minority candidates are especially encouraged to apply. Please submit a letter of interest, curriculum vita, and a copy of a publication or paper. U.S. citizenship or permanent resident (green card) status is required. Please visit our website, www.ndri.org/jobs/bstinfo.html, for more information and application instructions.

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Please visit our new division website.

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SSSP Drinking & Drugs Division Sessions Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA August 7th to 9th, 2009

Date: Friday, August 7

Time: 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM

Session 15: Emerging Patterns of Substance Abuse

Room: SCH-Stanford East

Sponsor: Drinking and Drugs Division

Organizer & Presider: Brian C. Kelly, Purdue University

Papers:

"Combining Pills and Cocaine: Pharmaceutical and Street Drug Use," Sheigla Murphy and Paloma Sales, Institute for Scientific Analysis

"Drug Market Stages during and following disasters," Bruce D. Johnson, Eloise Dunlap and Nelson Tiburcio, National Development and Research Institutes and Robert Twiggs, Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service

"Fumando La Piedra: Emerging Patterns of Crack Use among Hispanic Immigrant Day Laborers in New Orleans," Alice Cepeda and Avelardo Valdez, University of Houston

"Thizzin'—Ecstasy use contexts and emergent social meanings," Juliet Lee, Brian Soller and Robynn Battle, Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Prevention Research Center and Naomi Brandes, Superior Court of California, County of Alameda

"Tuned Out or Tuned In: A Global Perspective on the Dance Drug Scene," Karen Joe Laidler, University of Hong Kong, Geoffrey Hunt and Molly Moloney, Institute for Scientific Analysis

Date: Saturday, August 8

Time: 2:30 PM - 4:10 PM

Session 76: Drug Abuse: Race, Ethnicity, and the Problem of the Color Line (Thematic Session)

Room: UC-4th Floor Lounge

Sponsor: Drinking and Drugs Division

Organizer & Presider: Avelardo Valdez, University of Houston

Discussant: Sheigla Murphy, Center for Substance Abuse Studies

Papers:

"Heroin, race and spatial mismatch: 'White' and 'Black' patterns of income generation, heroin use and acquisition in 21st Century Detroit," Paul Draus and Juliette Roddy, University of Michigan-Dearborn and Mark Greenwald, Wayne State University School of Medicine

"The transformation of drug markets and its impact on HIV outreach to injection drug users in New York City, 1987-2008," R. Terry Furst, Ric Curtis and Rebecca Stanley, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

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"The War on Drugs and the Case of Dominican Deportees," David Brotherton, John Jay College, CUNY and Yolanda Martin, Graduate Center, CUNY

"Disruptions and survival of family life among low income New Orleans Evacuees following Hurricane Katrina," Eloise Dunlap, Bruce D. Johnson and Nelson Tiburcio, National Development & Research Institutes

Date: Saturday, August 8

Time: 4:30 PM - 6:10 PM

Session 78: Memorial Session honoring Bruce D. Johnson

Room: SCH-Rincon Hill

Sponsor: Drinking and Drugs Division

Organizer & Presider: Brian C. Kelly, Purdue University

Panelists:

Avelardo Valdez, University of Houston

Stephen J. Sifaneck, Berkeley College

Dina Perrone, Bridgewater State College

Sam Friedman, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.

Ellen Benoit, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.

Andrew Golub, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.

Date: Sunday, August 9

Time: 10:30 AM - 12:10 PM

Session 101: Drinking and Drugs Roundtables

Room: SCH-Stanford East

Sponsor: Drinking and Drugs Division

Organizer, Presider & Discussant: Paul Draus, University of Michigan-Dearborn

Roundtable 1: Nonmedical Use of Legal Drug

Papers:

"The patterns of use of salvia divinorum: a legal hallucinogen," Christie Bowles and Dina Perrone, Bridgewater State College

"Race and ethnic variation in prescription drug misuse, abuse, and dependence," Jason Ford, University of Central Florida

"Legally Tripping: The Emergence of Salvia Divinorum Use in Youth Subcultures," Brian C. Kelly, Purdue University

Roundtable 2: Protective and Contributing Factors for Substance Abuse

Papers:

"Sexual Orientation Inequalities in Psychological Distress and Drinking Problems: An Examination of Parental Social Support," Elbert Almazan, Central Michigan University

"The Protective Effect of Ethnic Identity on Substance Use Outcomes Among Mexican-Heritage Early Adolescents in the U.S.," Stephen Kulis, Flavio Marsiglia, Albert Kopak, Maureen Olmsted and Ashley Crossman, Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center, Arizona State University

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"Lifetime cumulative adversity and substance use disorder in an older US sample," Donald A. Lloyd, Florida State University

Roundtable 3: Public and Political Framing of Substance Use and Abuse

Papers:

"Media Representation of Drug Law Enforcement by Hong Kong Customs," Jessica Wing Kay Chiu, Hong Kong University

"The Political Sociology of Tobacco Policy: A State-Level Case of Bureaucratic Activism, Industry Resistance, and the Social Problem of Secondhand Smoke," Andrew L. Spivak, University of Nevada, Las Vegas and Michael Givel, University of Oklahoma

"Windows of Opportunity for Culture Change Around Tobacco Use in Mental Health Settings," Erica Solway, University of California, San Francisco

"Reframing College Drinking as a Social Problem: the Case of the Amethyst Initiative," George Dowdall, Saint Joseph's University

Date: Sunday, August 9

Time: 2:30 PM - 4:10 PM

Session 120: Sexuality and Substance Abuse

Room: SCH-Russian Hill

Sponsors: Drinking and Drugs Division; Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division

Organizer: Brooke Wells, Center for HIV Educational Studies & Training and National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.

President: Amy Hequembourg, Research Institute on Addictions

Papers:

"The Maintenance of Femininity in the Masculine Culture of University Drinking," Patrick O'Brien, University of Colorado at Boulder

"'Just because it's Fun': Social Meanings of Drug and Alcohol Use in Strip Clubs," Melissa F. Lavin, University of Connecticut

"Mixed-method findings regarding sexual victimization among sexual minorities," Amy Hequembourg and Jennifer Livingston, University at Buffalo, Research Institute on Addictions

"The Impact of Drug Use on Poor Inner-City Relationships," Andrew Golub, Bruce D. Johnson and Eloise Dunlap, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

"Sex, Drugs, and Community Mobilization: Crystal Meth in NYC," Naomi Braine, Sociology Dept, Brooklyn College, Caroline Acker, History Dept, Carnegie Mellon University and Laurens Van Sluytman, Beth Israel Medical Center

Date: Sunday, August 9

Time: 4:30 PM - 6:10 PM

Session 130: Medical Marijuana

Room: SCH-Russian Hill

Sponsors: Drinking and Drugs Division; Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division

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Organizer & Presider: Stephen J. Sifaneck, Berkeley College-NYC

Discussant: Ethan Nadelmann, Drug Policy Alliance

Papers:

“Why ‘Medical Marijuana Collective’ Doesn’t Mean You Just Come and Collect: the challenges of cooperative cultivation and distribution,” Wendy Chapkis, University of Southern Maine

“The Dark Grey Market: Medical Marijuana in New York City,” Stephen J. Sifaneck, Berkeley College-NYC

“Who Are Medical Marijuana Patients?: Population Characteristics from Nine California Clinics,” Craig Reinerman, Frances Lanthier and Tom Heddleston, Sociology Department, University of California, Santa Cruz

“Self-Medicating with Marijuana among Non-Medical Prescription Drug Users,” Stephen E. Lankenau, University of Southern California and Childrens Hospital Los Angeles, Jennifer Jackson Bloom and Meghan Treese, Childrens Hospital Los Angeles, Alex Harocopos, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc. and Heather Cloum, Childrens Hospital Los Angeles



In Memoriam - Bruce D. Johnson, Scholar and Mentor

By Andrew Golub, National Development and Research Institutes (NDRI), Inc.

Bruce Johnson was a major force in the study of the sociology of drugs through his scholarship, collaboration, mentoring and involvement with the research and policy communities. He directed an institute at NDRI that studied a broad range of topics including which drugs people are using, the distribution mechanisms, the nature of users' lives, their impact on others, the best public policy response, and the evaluation of programs and products associated with implementing drug policy. Over the course of his nearly 40-year career he produced over 150 professional articles and 6 books.

Bruce was typically involved with a dozen projects at a time. His energy and range of ideas often appeared boundless. He surrounded himself with others with very different talents to best follow through on his agenda and to pursue their own related ideas. His staff included experts in field work, sociology, psychology, statistics and other areas. Additionally, he routinely established collaborations with researchers across the country with specialized skills, knowledge and access. All of Bruce's research activities focused on understanding drug use and the lived experience surrounding use. Ultimately, this work was intended to lead to programs and policies that would improve people's lives, especially vulnerable populations.

Mentoring was one of Bruce's most prized activities. He told me this was even more important to him than his own work. In many ways, he was the proudest when he was second or third author on a paper as opposed to first, because it marked an achievement by a scholar whose work he helped along. He read drafts and provided copious comments. Over time, I learned to anticipate his usual concerns. He became a voice in my head as I struggled for my work to meet his standards.

Bruce was probably the most prolific mentor in his field. In addition to his research institute, he was director of the Behavioral Sciences Training (BST) Program. This program continually supported about 15 pre- and post-doctoral fellows developing their careers in drug abuse research. While in residence, BST fellows received guidance, opportunity, and funding to participate in an advanced scholarly community. They conducted research, advanced their skills, wrote papers and grants, and critiqued each other's work. Over 150 fellows passed through the program under Bruce's direction.

Bruce was also a fixture in the Drinking and Drugs Division of the SSSP as chair, on committees, and always speaking up at division meetings. Bruce brought much energy to the meetings. He would make a point of greeting newcomers to the division and learning about their interests and activities.

Bruce was born February, 22, 1943 in Newburgh, NY. When Bruce was 3, his father, Elmer Roger Johnson, accepted a faculty appointment in the chemistry department at South Dakota State University. As a result, Bruce grew up in Brookings, SD. In his teens, he earned the rank of Eagle Scout. He then went on to earn a B.A. in sociology from University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1965 and his Ph.D. in sociology from Columbia University in 1971.

Bruce was a vital man, an active scholar, mentor, world traveler, avid swimmer, and grandfather. Those who knew him were stunned by his sudden death. At the time, he and Terry were in Wellesley, MA, visiting their daughter Amanda, son-in-law Sam Kennedy, and grandchildren, Jimmy and Allie. Bruce lived a very full life and did much for others. His spirit touched so many who will miss him dearly. His writing will continue to touch those who come to study the sociology of drugs. So many of us owe so much to him. Bruce was planning a trip to Bali that he will never take. Bruce, wherever you are now, I hope there's scuba diving.