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From the Chair

Hello Drinking and Drugs Division Members!

I hope you enjoy the new format of the newsletter. I have put two very capable students to work producing it. Miyuki Fukushima and David Payne have both recently completed their theses at OU and are now students in our doctoral program. They will be introducing themselves later in this newsletter. You may contact either of them with newsletter submissions.

Our big news is, of course, the schedule for the annual meeting. You will find all of our division sessions and contributors on pages 3-5. Please keep this newsletter handy during the conference so that you know when and where you need to be for our sessions. I hope that you will join me in making this year a huge success in terms of attendance and discussion at all of our sessions. Be sure to join us for the division business meeting on August 12th (and bring along a student or two!).

I would also like to announce that Avelardo Valdez (University of Houston) was selected as chair-elect for our division. Avelardo will take on some re-



sponsibilities this year (including organizing paper sessions and planning the annual reception for 2006) and will take over as Chair of the Division at the annual meeting in 2006 (serving until 2008). Our next election for Chair Elect should take place in the Fall of 2006 (to serve from 2008-2010).

Finally, please join us at the annual Drinking and Drugs Division reception to be held with the ASA Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs Section, on Sunday evening, August 14th, from 7:30 to 9:30. I know this is after the SSSP meeting is officially over – I sincerely hope that those of you not planning to attend ASA activities will be able to stay long enough to attend the reception. We have selected a nearby Italian restaurant, Pizzicato, as an offsite (but convenient) location for the reception. I will send a email with more details closer to the annual meeting.

See you in Philly!!

Margaret Kelley

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Job Announcement!!!

University of Miami. The Department of Sociology is seeking applications for two tenure-track positions at the rank of Assistant Professor to begin August 15, 2006. The department searches for candidates to satisfy programmatic

needs in two of our graduate specialty areas. We have one position in Criminology and one in Medical Sociology. The ideal candidates will also be able to make contributions to our third programmatic area, Race/Ethnic Relations. The successful

candidates will be expected to sustain an active research and publication agenda, teach in our undergraduate and graduate programs, and show promise for obtaining external funding for their research. Applicants

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must have a Ph.D. in Sociology or a closely related field at the time of appointment. Applicants should submit a letter of application, a curriculum vita, and the names and addresses of three references who can evaluate scholarly achievement and potential. These materials

should be sent to: Amie L. Nielsen, Chair of the Faculty Search Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Miami, P.O. Box 248162, Coral Gables, FL 33124-2208. Review of applications will begin October 1, 2005 and continue until the positions are filled. Women and minorities are especially encouraged to apply. The Uni-

versity of Miami is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.



Current Research

Alcohol, Ethnicity, and Violence: The Role of Alcohol Availability for Latino and Black Aggravated Assaults and Robberies (forthcoming, The Sociological Quarterly)

- Amie L. Nielsen, Ph.D., University of Miami
- Ramiro Martinez, Jr., Ph.D., Florida International University
- Matthew T. Lee, Ph.D., University of Akron.

This paper is one of the first to assess the impact of alcohol availability, an important but understudied neighborhood element, and other social disorganization measures for Latino and black aggra-

vated assault and robbery victimizations. Using data from Miami, Florida for 1996 and 1997 we find that although most predictors have similar effects on the outcomes for both groups, higher alcohol availability rates are associated with more Latino but not black victims. To explain this finding, we relate the criminogenic influence of alcohol to the contextual features of Latino and black neighborhoods, thereby integrating qualitative observations and quantitative data. Higher concentrations of recent immigrants are related to fewer black assault victims, more Latino assault victims, but not to robberies for either group.

Announcements



Drinking and Drugs Division Newsletter Naming Competition. I am looking for a catchy title. The winner of the competition will receive a \$10 gift certificate to Amazon.com.

Please send suggestions to me at mkelley@ou.edu.

Membership Drive Competition. Every member brings at least one person to join our division!! Try to find ways to sponsor student memberships through your university or your organization. More information about membership can be found on the SSSP website www.sssp1.org

The person who recruits the most new members will receive a \$10 gift certificate to Amazon.com. The deadline for the competition has been extended to September 1st.

Make your announcement here. We will put your announcement here!

We are seeking submissions to the newsletter. If you have *anything*, please send the information to mkelley@ou.edu.

Topics might include book reviews, job announcements, abstracts of current research, and kudos.

National Meeting Schedule

2005 Annual Meeting, August 12-14, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Philadelphia, PA

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

8:30am - 10:10am

Issues of Drug and Alcohol Use and Misuse Across the Life Course

Room: Delaware

Sponsors:

Drinking and Drugs Division and Youth, Aging, and the Life Course Division

Organizers:

Tracy L. Dietz, University of Central Florida
Margaret S. Kelley, University of Oklahoma

Presider: David Payne, University of Oklahoma

Papers:

“Organic Solidarity or Synthetic Solidarity? Drug Use and Belonging Among Youth,” Philip R. Kavanaugh and Tammy L. Anderson, University of Delaware

“Alcohol Use and Abuse Among Samoans and Pacific Families in Aotearoa/New Zealand,” Ieti Lima, Roy McKenzie Centre for the Study of Families, School of Government, Victoria University

“Drug and Alcohol Use Among Older Homeless,” Tracy L. Dietz, University of Central Florida

Friday, August 12

12:30pm - 2:10pm

Division Business Meeting

Room: Liberty A

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

2:30pm - 4:10pm

Outlaw Drinking

Room: Congress

Sponsor: Drinking and Drugs Division

Organizer, Presider & Discussant:

Thomas Vander Ven, Ohio University

Papers:

“The Effects of Legal Control and Economic Variables on Alcohol Consumption and Cirrhosis Death Rates among European Countries,” James Rooney, Penn State University

“The Assessment and Treatment of ‘Problem Drinking’: The Evolution and Effect of Addiction Medicine,” Christopher R. Freed, The Graduate Center, CUNY

“Social Structure Social Learning Theory’s Explanation of College Alcohol Use,” Donna Copp, University of Florida

“Exploring the Intoxicated Self: Preliminary Findings from a University Student Sample,” Patrick O’Brien and Thomas Vander Ven, Ohio University

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

4:30pm - 6:10pm

THEMATIC

Unintended Consequences of Coerced Treatment

Room: Congress

Sponsor: Drinking and Drugs Division

Organizer, Presider & Discussant:

Amie L. Nielsen, University of Miami

Papers:

“Best Practice, Current Practice: Evaluating Treatment for Trauma Survivors in the Criminal Justice System,” Kathryn A. Sowards, Center for Community Alternatives

“Drug Courts and the Logic of Coerced Treatment,” Rebecca Tiger, CUNY Graduate Center

“Total Institutions for the 21st Century: Unintended Consequences of Coerced Treatment,” Corey J. Colyer, ICSPR/University of Michigan



National Meeting
A place to meet, catch up, and learn the latest from the members of SSSP!!

Make note of the presentations of interest and plan on attending and adding to the discussion.



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SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

2:30pm - 4:10pm

Roundtables in Drinking and Drugs

Room: Liberty A

Sponsor: Drinking and Drugs Division

Organizer: Margaret S. Kelley, University of Oklahoma

Roundtable 1: The College Drinking Experience

Papers:

“Beliefs Concerning Alcohol and the College Experience as Predictors of Undergraduates’ Drinking Behaviors: An Analysis of Alcohol’s Ritual Functions,” Lizabeth A. Crawford, Bradley University and Katherine B. Novak, Butler University

“Quantitative, In-depth Measurement of College Students’ Status and Alcohol Use: A Dream or a Reality?” Brian W. Ward, University of Maryland, College Park

“Going Dry: Students Perceptions of a New Campus Alcohol Policy,” Margaret S. Kelley, Miyuki Fukushima, David Payne, Adrian Silva and Andrew Spivak, University of Oklahoma

“Reconsidering the Relationship between Alcohol and Sexual Behavior in College,” Kathleen A. Bogle and George Dowdall, Saint Joseph’s University

Roundtable 2: The Social Impact of Drugs

Papers:

“Social Stress and Substance Abuse among College Students,” Sara A. Brallier, Linda Palm and Kerry Schwanz, Coastal Carolina University

“Race, Coping Style, and Substance Dependence in Young Adulthood: Results from a South Florida Cohort,” Amanda Howerton and Karen Van Gundy, University of New Hampshire

“Prevalence of Club Drug Use among Club-Going Young Adults,” Brian C. Kelly and Jeffrey T. Parsons, City University of New York

“Visibility of Drug Sales and Drug Use in Low Income Neighborhoods,” Mark Wolfson, Heather Champion and Robert DuRant, Wake Forest University School of Medicine

Roundtable 3: Marijuana in the New Century

Discussant: Bruce D. Johnson, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

Papers:

“From Public to Private, From Commercial to Designer: Marijuana Markets in New York City,” Stephen J. Sifaneck, Eloise Dunlap and Bruce D. Johnson, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

“New Media and Information Technology’s Effect on Youth Marijuana/ Blunts Subcultures,” Anthony Nguyen, Stephen J. Sifaneck, Eloise Dunlap and Bruce D. Johnson, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

“Impact of Marijuana/Blunts on Work and School Performance: An Ethnographic Inquiry,” Eloise Dunlap, Stephen J. Sifaneck, Bruce D. Johnson and Ellen Benoit, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

“Pills, Thrills and Bellyaches: A Case Study of Marijuana/Blunt Smoking and Prescription Pill-Popping Young Females,” Flutura Bardhi, Stephen J. Sifaneck, Eloise Dunlap and Bruce D. Johnson, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

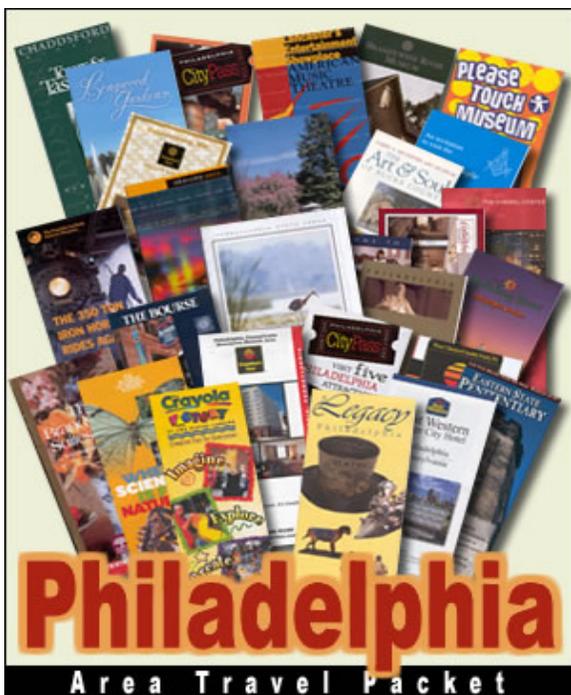
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Drug Policy Reform

Room: Manayunk

Sponsors: Drinking and Drugs Division and Law and Society Division





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Organizer & Presider:

Marsha Rosenbaum, Safety First Project of the Drug Policy Alliance

Papers:

“Subcultural Implications of the RAVE Act,” Brian C. Kelly, Columbia University

“Up in Smoke: The Disappearance of Marijuana Decriminalization, 1975-1979,” Adam D. Jacobs, University of Wisconsin, Madison

“Drug, Set, and Setting and Controlled Drug Use,” Dina Perrone, Rutgers University, Newark: School of Criminal Justice; Predoctoral Fellow-NDRI, BST

“Drug and Substance Abuse Prevention Programs: Do They Really Work?” Alex Otieno and Jessica Hoos, Arcadia University

“Drug Policy Reform: Where Are We Headed?” Ethan Nadelman, Drug Policy Alliance

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

10:30am - 12:10pm

Families and Drugs

Room: Congress

Sponsors: Drinking and Drugs Division and Family Division

Organizer, Presider & Discussant: Jane Bock, Phoenix House

Papers:

“The Severely-Distressed African-American Family in the Crack Era,”

Andrew Golub, Eloise Dunlap and Bruce D. Johnson, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.

“Withholding Capital: The Complexities of Agency and Resistance Among Drug-Involved Women in Violent Relationships,” Valli Rajah, John Jay College, City University of New York

“Family Environment of Children of Alcoholics: High Risk from Very Early Childhood,” Jennifer M. Jester, University of Michigan, Robert A. Zucker, University of Michigan, Hiram E. Fitzgerald, Michigan State University, Leon I. Puttler, Michigan State University and Susan K. Refior, Michigan State University

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

12:30pm - 2:10pm

Social Networks of Drug Use

Room: Constitution

Sponsor: Drinking and Drugs Division

Organizer, Presider & Discussant: Alice Cepeda, University of Houston

Papers:

“Non-Medical Prescription Drug Use amongst Young People in New York City,” Bill Sanders, Steve Lankenau and Jennifer Jackson, Children’s Hospital Los Angeles/University of Southern California

“Maximizing the Highs, Minimizing the Lows: Health Information Sharing within Ecstasy Distribution Networks,” Camille Jacinto and Micheline Duterte, Institute for Scientific Analysis

“Peer Prevention Networks: Formalizing Satellite Syringe Exchange as Public Health Practice,” Kevin Irwin, Yale University, Thomas Stopka, State of CA Department of Health Services Office of AIDS and Nancy Berman Lees, State of CA Department of Health Services Office of AIDS

“HCV Risk Factors Among Mexican American Non-Injecting Heroin Using Networks,” Avelardo Valdez and Alice Cepeda, University of Houston

“Places and Spaces to Engage in Smoking Marijuana and Blunts,” Marlese Durr, Wright State University/National Development Research Institutes, Inc., Eloise Dunlap, National Development Research Institutes, Inc., Stephen J. Sifanek, National Development Research Institutes, Inc. and Bruce D. Johnson, National Development Research Institutes, Inc.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

7:30pm - 9:30pm

Division Reception

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**Drinking and Drugs
Division of the SSSP**

Drinking and Drugs is one of 20 Special Problems Divisions of SSSP. We have been historically one of the largest and most active divisions. We are a wonderful group for sharing intellectual, political and social ideas and events. Please consider getting involved in our leadership, and please get your students involved by encouraging them to join SSSP and participate in the annual meeting. The SSSP has put out the annual call for resolutions. Please consider writing something that we can discuss at the Division's annual business meeting. We have not had any resolutions in recent years, so it would be good to contribute this year. Resolutions will be discussed at the annual meeting and shared with the press.



From the Editors Miyuki Fukushima & David Payne

Participation in the Drugs and Drinking Division of the SSSP is a new thing for me. I became involved as a result of participating in a research project with Dr. Margaret Kelley in which we launched a study of the new drinking policy on campus at the University of Oklahoma that was established in the wake of a tragic drinking related death.

We took an interest in the student perception of the policy and the potential effectiveness of the policy for more closely regulating alcohol related behavior on campus.

My particular interest in the

project was sparked after reading existing research regarding the number of alcohol outlets and their location in relationship to the campus. This is interesting research and I am using Geographical Information Systems (GIS) software to both compile data spatially and to display it geographically.

We will be sharing more about the study at the annual meeting. We encourage you to come check out this and all the other presentations of interest at this year's meeting.

Just to let you get to know us, we will use this space to introduce ourselves.

David Payne—I am a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Oklahoma specializing in criminology and stratification/inequality. I will finish my coursework in the summer of 2006. My professional interests include criminology, spatial variation of crime research, segregation/racism, and the demography. I am a non-traditional student and have embarked on this new career in academia after a 20 year career in ministry. I am both enjoying and looking forward to my next life in sociology—both studying and addressing social problems.

Miyuki Fukushima—Miyuki is at home in Japan for the rest of the summer. She will introduce herself in the next issue of the newsletter.

