

## DRINKING & DRUGS DIVISION

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#### 2008 Annual Meeting

Program Theme: "Crossing Borders, Activist Scholarship, Globalization and Social Justice"

58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting July 31, 2008-August 1, 2008

Boston Park Plaza Hotel and Towers 64 Arlington Street  
Boston, MA



#### 2008 Drinking and Drugs Division Election Results:

**Congratulations to the winner!**  
**Brian Kelly - Chair, 2008-2010**



Winner of the 2008 Scholar Award: Brian Kelly  
Congratulations!

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### Message from Chair:

As I step down as Chair, I would like to thank all those members who have been active participants in Division business during my tenure. This membership includes some of the leading social science drug researchers in the field. Unfortunately, not all of our 162 members are actively engaged in Division business. This is reflected in this year's program when we were unable to generate enough papers for one of our proposed sessions nor enough student papers for the respective award.

Nonetheless, our Division did accomplish some major milestones. For instance, from a Qualitative Methods Session organized last year by our Division, emerged a Substance Use and Misuse Special Issue (in press) of which Steve Sifancek and I are the editors.

The future of our Division looks bright especially with the membership's selection of Brian C. Kelly as our new Chair. Brian is from Purdue University and has been active in the Division for the last few years. He is a medical anthropologist in the Departments of Sociology and Anthropology. He is a graduate of Columbia University's Department of Sociomedical Sciences. His current research projects involve work on club drug use among NYC young adults, hip-hop and sexual health among young urban men, and the impact of home foreclosures on community cohesion and neighborhood social capital. The Division should prosper under his youthful leadership.

Our Division is sponsoring one solo session at this year's annual meeting entitled Emerging Trends in Drug and Alcohol Research along with several other co-sponsored sessions. I urge everyone to attend these sessions. As importantly, please make an effort to attend our Divisional Business Meeting on Friday, August 1, 12:30PM in the Georgian Room.

Lastly, the annual reception will be held jointly with ASA's Alcohol, Drugs & Tobacco section at the Pour House Bar & Grill at 907 Boylston Street on August 3, 2008 6:30-8:30 PM.

I enjoyed serving as Chair and look forward to seeing you all in Boston.

Saludos,

Avelardo Valdez

### New Publications

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Mosher, Clayton, and Scott Akins 2007. *Drugs and Drug Policy: The Control of Consciousness Alteration*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.



Akins, Scott, Clayton Mosher, Chad Smith and Jane Florence Gauthier. 2008. "The effect of acculturation on patterns of Hispanic substance use in Washington State." *Journal of Drug Issues* 38:103-118.

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### Coming Soon:

Forthcoming in summer 2008 from New York University Press: Wendy Chapkis (Sociology, University of Southern Maine & Richard J. Webb (Communications, San Jose State University).



**DYING TO GET HIGH: MARIJUANA AS MEDICINE-** This is a short excerpt from the first chapter which is posted on Altnet

<http://www.altnet.org/healthwellness/85205/>

“This is a most important book about the medical marijuana movement; lively and engaging, it will have broad appeal, not only to folks interested in the medical potential of cannabis, but also to those interested in an end to the drug war and those interested in grass roots activism. Anthropologists of the future will look back upon these times as barbaric, yet they will see “Dying to Get High” as a visionary ray of hope in the midst of a civilization filled with insane priorities.”

Paul Krassner , Editor of *Pot Stories for the Soul* (High Times)

“A beautifully written account from the front lines of the struggle between a federal drug war complex determined to keep demonizing marijuana and the growing movement of patients and doctors who have found marijuana to be a valuable medicine.”

Craig Reinerman

Editor of *Crack in America: demon drugs and social justice* (University of California Press)

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### Announcements:

SSSP Membership: You can renew your SSSP membership via our 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 21 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.

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### **Alcohol, Drugs, & Tobacco Section Reception**

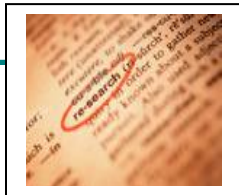
The ASA Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco Section will be holding its joint reception with the SSSP Drinking and Drugs Division at the Pour House Bar & Grill.

Date and Time: Sunday August 3, 2008 from 6:30 to 8:30pm

Pour House Bar & Grill is located at 907 Boylston Street (617)-236-1767 and is around the corner from all three ASA conference hotels and the Hynes Convention Center.



### Current Research:



### **Buprenorphine (Suboxone) Maintenance in a Harm Reduction Setting**

#### **Research conducted by Herman Joseph, PhD R. Terry Furst, PhD and Sharon Stancliff, MD**

In New York City, buprenorphine is promoted primarily as a prescription opioid to a population that tends to be white and middle to upper class. The Harm Reduction Coalition, funded by the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has developed a buprenorphine/naloxone program targeting heroin users at Syringe Exchange Programs and through drug user networks. Induction is at home, and there are no sanctions for continued drug use or for intermittent participation. A project evaluation was included in the funding.

**Methods-** The project evaluation includes analysis of data on the first 100 patients: drugs used, mode of administration, experience with methadone, buprenorphine dose and pattern of program use. Qualitative interviews were conducted with 20 patients exploring beliefs about buprenorphine including perceptions of stigma, and comparisons to other drug treatment experiences.

**Results-** Over 90% of the patients are heroin users, with 70% of these injecting. Over 60% of the patients are non-Caucasian and 55% had been on methadone programs. After varying times in maintenance, 25% of the patients were lost to follow up. The rest were retained in care, completed their planned course of treatment or were unable to continue due to loss of insurance to cover the cost of buprenorphine. A pattern of cycling in and out of treatment was identified perhaps secondary to the pharmacological properties of buprenorphine and the stigma associated with heroin misuse and pharmacotherapy. Many patients are reluctant to reveal their use of buprenorphine to families and at 12 step meetings. They perceive a great advantage of buprenorphine over methadone as it appears to be easier to conceal use.

**Conclusions:** Buprenorphine is feasible and successful among injecting heroin users in a low threshold setting and should be further integrated into harm reduction settings where demand is high, but where methadone is less acceptable due to the highly regulated nature of the programs.

## Drinking and Drugs Division

### SSSP Drinking & Drugs Division Sessions Annual Meeting, Boston MA July 31-August 2, 2008

**Date:** Thursday, July 31  
**Time:** 4:30PM 6:10PM

**Session 36: Hispanic Drug Use, Violence and Crime**  
**Room:** Cabot

**Co-Sponsors:** Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division- Drinking and Drugs Division- Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division

**Organizer & President:** Avelardo Valdez, University of Houston



**Papers:**

“Association Between Experiences of Discrimination and Medical Symptomatology,” Sandra P Arévalo, Institute on Urban Health Research

“Slangin’ To Acculturate: The Barrio Struggle and Individual Gangster Dreams During The War On Drugs,” Robert J. Durán, New Mexico State University

“Factors Influencing Perceived Drug Treatment Success: Assessing What Works for Latina Women,” Vivian C. Pacheco, Joseph C. Cornwall Center for Metropolitan Studies

“Drug Markets and Mexican Immigrant and Mexican Americans in South Texas,” Avelardo Valdez, University of Houston

**Date:** Friday, August 1  
**Time:** 8:00AM - 9:40AM

**Session 47: Youthful Indiscretions?: Youth Drinking in Context**  
**Room:** Constitution

**Co-Sponsors:** Drinking and Drugs Division- Youth, Aging, and the Life Course Division

**Organizer & President:** Brian C. Kelly, Purdue University



**Papers:**

“Can Professors Reduce Binge Drinking by How They Manage the Classroom?” William Lugo and John Fournier, Eastern Connecticut State University

“Beliefs about Alcohol and the College Experience, Locus of Self, and College Undergraduate Drinking Patterns,” Lizabeth Crawford, Bradley University and Katherine Novak, Butler University

“Alcohol Control Coming to a Town Near You: The Emergence of the Social Host Responsibility Law in Massachusetts,” Duane Neff, Brandeis University

“The Strategic Use of Alcohol to Transgress Gendered Sexual Norms among Young Women,” Brooke Wells, CHEST/CUNY & National Development & Research Institutes, Inc. and Jeffrey T. Parsons, Hunter College & CHEST/CUNY

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“Are They ‘Bad Girls’ or ‘Sick Girls’?: News Coverage of the DUI Arrests of Young Female Celebrities,” Katherine Clegg Smith, Johns Hopkins University

**Date:** Friday, August 1

**Session 88: Katrina: Social Justice**

**Time:** 4:30PM - 6:10PM

**Room:** Stuart

**Co-Sponsors:** Drinking and Drugs Division—Poverty, Class, and Inequality Division

**Organizer & Presider:** Bruce D. Johnson, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.



**Papers:**

“High Risk Drug Use by Hispanic Immigrants in New Orleans,” Avelardo Valdez and Alice Cepeda, University of Houston

“Hurricane Katrina’s Legacy of Political Alienation among Youth,” Matthew Cardinale, Georgia State University

“Reformulation of Illegal Drug Markets in New Orleans after the Disaster,” Eloise Dunlap and Bruce D. Johnson, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.

“How Much Illicit Did Users Change after Hurricane Katrina?” Bruce D. Johnson and Eloise Dunlap, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc. and Daniel Leal-Diaz, Fordham University School of Social Work

“Post-Katrina New Orleans Seek Real Relief and Just Recovery,” A. Kathryn Stout, Southern University at New Orleans

**Date:** Saturday, August 2

**Session 101: Substance Abuse and Mental Illness**

**Time:** 8:30AM - 10:10AM

**Room:** Stuart

**Co-Sponsors:** Drinking and Drugs Division—Mental Health Division

**Organizers:** Richard Carpiano, University of British Columbia & Brian C. Kelly, Purdue University

**Presider:** Richard Carpiano, University of British Columbia



**Papers:**

“The Mental Health Consequences of HIV Disease for Individuals with Substance Abuse Problems,” Teresa Scheid, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

“Addressing Smoking Cessation Among People with Mental Illness,” Erica Solway, University of California, San Francisco

“Peeling Back the Layers: Multiple Disabilities among the Homeless,” Josie Parker, Georgia State University; Pathways Community Network, Jane Massey and Elizabeth Runkle, Pathways Community Network

“Rational Choice and Crimes of Survival: Mentally Ill Drug Offenders,” Stephanie Hartwell and Xiaogang Deng, University of Massachusetts, Boston, Rosalie Torres Stone and William H. Fisher, UMass Medical School Center for Mental Health

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“PTSD, Substance Abuse, and Post-War Functioning in Vietnam Veterans,” J. Blake Turner, Columbia University

**Date:** Saturday, August 2

**Session 112: Emerging Trends in Drug and Alcohol Research**

**Time:** 10:30AM - 12:10PM

**Room:** Stuart

**Single Sponsor:** Drinking and Drugs Division

**Organizer & Presider:** Andrew Golub, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.



**Papers:**

“Crossing Borders: Methamphetamine, Transnationalization, and the Construction of a Moral Panic,” Kirsten E. Hunt, Teachers College, Columbia University

“The Stability of Methamphetamine Markets and Public Health and Safety Outcomes: A Law Enforcement Perspective,” Henry Brownstein, Phyllis Newton and Timothy Mulcahy, NORC at the University of Chicago, Bruce G. Taylor, Police Executive Research Forum, Henrick Harwood, The Lewin Group and Bruce Kubu, Police Executive Research Forum

“A Qualitative Exploration of an Office Based Buprenorphine Demonstration Program,” R. Terry Furst, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

“Production, Migration and Distribution of Illegal Drugs: Global Processes,” Jo Ry-Anne Feller and Elizabeth Caron, Florida Atlantic University

“Changing Alcohol Beverage Preferences and Consumption Patterns in Regions of Western Europe,” James F. Rooney, Penn State University, Harrisburg

**Date:** Saturday, August 2

**Session 123: Community Health and Substance Use**

**Time:** 12:30PM - 2:10PM

**Room:** Stanhope

**Co-Sponsors:** Drinking and Drugs Division—Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division

**Organizers:** Paul Draus, University of Michigan, Dearborn & Andrew Golub, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.

**Presider:** Paul Draus, University of Michigan, Dearborn

**Discussant:** Andrew Golub, National Development & Research Institutes, Inc.



**Papers:**

“Medicine by Regulation, Medicine by Referendum: Cannabis and Community Control,” Wendy Chapkis, University of Southern Maine

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“Prevalence and Correlates of Depression among Mexican-American Female NIUs,” Yolanda Villarreal, Avelardo Valdez and Alice Cepeda, University of Houston

“I’m in Control’: Race, Class, and Masculinity in a Therapeutic Community,” Matthew Ezzell, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

**Date:** Saturday, August 2

**Session 129: Drugs, Alcohol, and Youth in Life course Perspective**

**Time:** 2:30PM - 4:10PM

**Room:** Constitution

**Co-Sponsors:** Drinking and Drugs Division—Youth Aging, and the Life Course Division

**Organizer & Presider:** Brian C. Kelly, Purdue University



**Papers:**

“A Time to Mature? Age at First Birth and Alcohol Use,” Joseph D. Wolfe, Indiana University

“Gender, Race, and Age in Adolescent Peer Groups: Effects on Substance Use,” Sarah Whiteford, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

“Aspects of Emerging Adulthood and Club Drug Use,” Brian C. Kelly, Purdue University and Jeffrey T. Parsons, Hunter College/CUNY

“Club Drug Use from Emerging Adulthood to Adulthood: Changing Patterns, Persistence, and Desistence of Use Over the Life-course,” Dina Perrone, Bridgewater State College.

**Date:** Saturday, August 2

**Session 137: Social Control and the Drug Economy**

**Time:** 4:30PM - 6:10PM

**Room:** Cabot

**Co-Sponsors:** Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division—Drinking and Drugs Division

**Organizer & Presider:** Jemel Aguilar, University of Texas at Austin



**Papers:**

“A Framework for Researching Bifurcated Marijuana Markets on a National and International Level,” Stephen Sifaneck, Berkeley College

“Police and Sheriff Involvement in Enforcement of Meth Laws: A 5-State Study,” Mark Wolfson, Elizabeth Mayfield Arnold, Kimberly Wagoner, Beth Reboussin and Maria Parries, Wake Forest University School of Medicine.

“Young Female Drug Sellers and their Social Environments,” Jemel Aguilar, University of Texas at Austin

**Divisional Meeting-open to all SSSP members-Friday-12:30pm-2:10pm-Room: Georgia.**



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The National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse proudly announces the launch of its new Spring 2008 newsletter titled, Adelante! at <http://www.nhsn.med.miami.edu/>



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*See you in Boston!*

