



# Healthy Outlook

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## Statement from the Co-Chair Erin Ruel

Dear Colleagues and Friends of the Division:

July is here already! It's time to prepare for San Francisco and the 64<sup>th</sup> SSSP Annual Meeting, from August 15-17. The annual meeting will be held at the San Francisco Marriot Marquis located downtown just south of Market Street, next to the Moscone Convention Center. As you plan your conference events, here are a few events that will be of interest to division members.

First, the Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division is sponsoring or co-sponsoring eight paper sessions. There are a lot of intriguing papers to choose from! In a separate section of this newsletter, there is a listing of Division sponsored sessions, along with the individual papers scheduled for each. In addition, Yasmin Y. Ortiga from Syracuse University who won first place in the Division's Graduate Student Paper competition for her paper entitled,

"Professional Problems: The Burden of Educating the 'Global' Filipino Nurse," will be presenting her work in Session 75, Racial Inequalities in Health Services and Health Professions, on Saturday, August 10 from 12:30 PM - 2:10 PM in Broadway I. We encourage you to attend this session and hear a bit about her engaging and timely research!

Second, our Division Business Meeting will be held on Friday August 15 from 12:30 pm-2:10 pm in the CLUB ROOM. The Division meeting is where we discuss the session topics for next year's meeting, appoint session organizers, and select members for the annual graduate student paper award committee. We especially invite newcomers—and those of you who never have attended our business meeting--to come. It's a great way to meet other members and learn more about the work of the Division. If you are interested in organizing a session for next year's meeting in Chicago, have ideas for the Division, or would simply like to become more involved, please come and share your ideas. If you are interested in serving in any of these capacities or want to help plan these upcoming events, please attend our Division meeting.

Immediately following the Division meeting, our Division-Sponsored Reception will be held on Friday, August 15 from 6:30pm-7:30pm. This co-sponsored reception will be held at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis (SSSP conference hotel restaurant MISSION GRILLE). This reception is co-sponsored with several of the other special problems divisions, so if you are a member of multiple divisions, this is your chance to mingle with your colleagues from many different special topic areas. Or, if the Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division is your only special problems division, it's your chance to branch out!

In addition, here are some more conference events that may be of interest to division members.

### **NEW MEMBER BREAKFAST**

On Saturday, August 16 from 7:15am-8:15am (Room: Club Room), established SSSP members will host a continental breakfast, greeting, welcoming, and networking with new members. Enter the room with a "New Member" or "Host" ribbon on your SSSP name badge.

### **SSSP BUSINESS MEETING**

Plan to attend the SSSP Business Meeting on Saturday, August 16 from 4:15pm-5:25pm (Room: Club Room) for an update on the status and future of SSSP. There will be an open discussion period following the meeting. The meeting concludes with the traditional transfer of the gavel, marking the transition of duties from President Anna Maria Santiago to incoming President Marlese Durr. Please consult the flyer in your computer sleeve for details on the Business Meeting agenda.

### **PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS**

The Presidential Plenary featuring the formal address of President Anna Maria Santiago will follow from 5:30pm-6:30pm (Room: Club Room). All members are invited to this important session.

### **AWARD RECEPTION**

Join us for a catered reception with a cash bar honoring our Past Presidents and 2014 major SSSP Award Winners on Saturday, August 16 from 6:45pm-7:45pm (Location: Yerba Buena Ballroom, Salons 5-6).

### **AWARD BANQUET AND CEREMONY**

The awards banquet and ceremony will follow the reception from 7:45m-9:45pm (Location: Yerba Buena Ballroom, Salons 1-4). The cost of a banquet ticket is \$70. A limited number of tickets will be sold in the registration area. Those with advance reservations will receive their ticket(s) with their name badge.

The Fisherman's Wharf dinner buffet will feature San Francisco Clam Chowder and Sourdough Rolls, Roasted Beet Salad (Arugula, Red and Gold Beets, Feta, Toasted Walnuts, Lemon Vinaigrette), Roasted Mushroom and Artichoke Salad (Tomatoes, Red Wine Vinaigrette), Fennel Crusted Chicken with Exotic Mushrooms, Seasonal Fish (Cannellini Beans, Oven Roasted Tomatoes, Peppadew-Castelvetrano Relish), Chef's

Selection of Vegetarian Entrée, Horseradish Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Ghirardelli Chocolate Mousse Cups, Lemon Meringue Parfaits, Starbucks Coffee and Hot Tea Service. A vegan dish will be available for those who request one in advance.

### **DIVISION ELECTIONS**

Elections are currently underway. Please vote for our incoming Division Co-Chair. Elections are open until July 13, 2014. Go to this link to cast your vote. <http://sssp1.org/index.cfm/pageId/1017>.

Co-Chairs serve overlapping two year terms, and are jointly responsible for: developing the Division program (identifying sessions and organizers) for the annual meeting; running the Division business meeting at the annual meeting; working with the newsletter editor to assure publication of the annual newsletter; and other Division business. Tenure begins at the annual meeting in summer 2014.

### **GIVING THANKS**

I am sure you will all join me in thanking Deborah Potter for her service to the division. Sadly, her tenure is up as Co-Chair. She did an amazing job for us and she will be missed (hopefully only as Co-chair, but not as a division member). Debbie, we wish you well as you move on to new opportunities, but look forward to seeing you at future health division events.

Please also join me in thanking our division newsletter editors, Christina and Jenny, graduate students at Wayne State University. They have done a great job on the newsletters this year and I am happy to say that they have agreed to continue editing the newsletter next year.

Best wishes for great and productive summer!!

-- Erin Ruel

### News of Note

- Division Member Stacy Torres has been awarded a Ford Foundation dissertation fellowship for the 2014-2015 academic year. She is a PhD candidate in the sociology program at New York University.
- Division Member Donna M. Cole will be presenting her paper, "Use of Alternative Medicine Among African Americans: Implications for ART Adherence" during the 142<sup>nd</sup> APHA Annual Meeting and Exposition (November 15-19, 2014) in New Orleans.

# 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

## Fifty Years Later: From a War on Poverty to a War on the Poor

August 15-17, 2014

The San Francisco Marriot Marquis

- **Pre-registration rates end on July 15, 2014**
- See the SSSP site at:  
[http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/562/2014 Annual Meeting/](http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/562/2014%20Annual%20Meeting/) to find the registration form and for more information about registering for the annual meeting.
- If you experience any problems while registering, please contact [sssp@utk.edu](mailto:sssp@utk.edu)

### **Division Sessions**

#### ***THEMATIC***

#### ***CFP 30: Families, Disability, and Poverty***

*Sponsors:* Disabilities

Family

Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

*Organizers:* Ebonie L. Cunningham Stringer, Wingate University

Laura Lorenz, Brandeis University

*Presider:* Ebonie L. Cunningham Stringer, Wingate University

*Papers:*

“Who are the well spouses? Using ethnography to investigate spousal caregiving experiences,” Laura Mauldin, University of Connecticut

“A Qualitative Exploration of HIV Positive Men’s Experiences Trying to have Children,” Carrie Foote, IUPUI and Anna Muraveva, Ohio State

“Motherhood as Disability Activism,” Angela Frederick, Rhodes College

“Balancing Care and Work: The impact of employment on the caregiving relationship,” Alexis A. Bender, Army Institute of Public Health

“Transitional life experiences of the long term brain injury survivor: A qualitative study to understand survivors’ perspectives,” Therese O’Neil-Pirozzi, Northeastern University, Laura Lorenz, Brandeis University, Michelle Demore-Tabor, Advocates, Inc. and Sindi Samayoa, Advocates Inc.

**THEMATIC**

**CFP 33: Historical Transformations of Constructions of the 'Poverty Problem'**

*Sponsors:* Disabilities  
Health, Health Policy, and Health Services  
Social Problems Theory

*Organizer:* Jack W. Spencer, Purdue University

*Presider:* Deborah A. Potter, University of Louisville

*Papers:*

“Blaming the Victim: The Ideology of Social Mobility in the War on the Poor,”  
Jill Niebrugge Brantley and Patricia Lengermann, The George Washington University

“Constructing the Reproductive Behavior of Poor People: From Malthus to Murray,”  
Stephen Monroe Tomczak and Mary Ellen Crawford, Southern Connecticut State  
University, Department of Social Work

“Evolution of responsibility for poverty: New federalism and state poverty reduction  
coalitions,” Linda S. Schmidt, Michigan State University

“From the War on Poverty to the War on the Poor: The Devolution Revolution in the  
United States,” Ingrid Phillips Whitaker, Old Dominion University and  
Mark M. Whitakeer, Hampton University

“Why Don’t They DO Something? The Societal Problematization of ‘Homelessness’ and  
the Relationship between Discursive Framing and Social Change,” Kaitlin J. Schwan,  
University of Toronto

**CFP 52: Global Perspectives: Sustainability, Ecological Justice, and Globalization**

*Sponsors:* Environment and Technology  
Global

Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

*Organizers:* Kyle Knight, University of Alabama in Huntsville

Jenny Lendrum, Wayne State University

*Presider:* Jenny Lendrum, Wayne State University

*Papers:*

“What it Means to be a Refugee: The Environmental Refugee-Migrant Debate,”  
Amanda R. Bertana, University of Utah

“An Investigation into Social Movement Convergence at the Rio+20 Peoples’ Summit  
1992-2012,” Terran Giacomini, University of Toronto

“Opportunity Structures and Resource Mobilization in World Society: An Exploratory  
Case Study of Environmental Policy Implementation in Ecuador and the United States,”  
Nichole K. Weber, University of Utah

“Hybrid Political Economies, Sustainability and Justice,” Alan P. Rudy, Central Michigan University

“Can we call the Alberta oilsands environmental injustice? Moving from environmental justice to just sustainability,” Randolph Haluza-DeLay, The King’s University College and Ken Caine, University of Alberta

**CFP 67: Comparative/International Health Among Women and LGBTs**

*Sponsors:* Global

Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities

*Organizers:* Jenny Lendrum, Wayne State University

Christina Miller-Bellor, Wayne State University

*Presider:* Jenny Lendrum, Wayne State University

*Discussant:* Christina Miller-Bellor, Wayne State University

*Papers:*

“Attitudes Towards Restricting HIV-Positive Women’s Sexual And Reproductive Rights,” Abdallah Badahdah, University of North Dakota

“Cultural Context and Frame Variation in the Breastfeeding Movement: U.S. and Canadian Strategies,” Harmony Newman, University of Northern Colorado

“Disentangling Gender and Sexuality: Understanding the Social Context of HIV/AIDS for African Americans,” E. Maxwell Davis, California State University, East Bay

“Is schooling a ‘social vaccine’ against HIV for adolescent girls? Evidence from Malawi and Uganda,” Julia A. Behrman, New York University

**THEMATIC**

**CFP 70: PAPERS IN THE ROUND: Health Consequences of and Potential Solutions for the Failed War on Poverty**

*Sponsor:* Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

*Organizer &*

*Presider:* Deborah A. Potter, University of Louisville

**Roundtable Title: Health Consequences of and Potential Solutions for the Failed War on Poverty**

*Papers:*

“Health Inequality: Trends & Assessment,” Sarah A. Burgard, University of Michigan and Molly M. King, Stanford University

“National-Level Inequality and Child Sex Abuse Prevalence,” Will LeSuer, University of Akron

“An Occupational Role Change? The Questionable Compatibility of the Solo-Practitioner in Modern Healthcare Delivery,” Emily Harris, Purdue University

“Analyzing Successful Organizing: A rhetorical framing analysis of National Nurses United ‘Organizing Victories’ from 2010-2013,” Rebekah L. Fox, Texas State University and Kathleen Abrahamson, Purdue University

“Paradigms of Change: How 16 healthcare organizations transformed prescriber-industry interactions,” Susan Chimonas and David J. Rothman, Columbia University

**CFP 72: Lived Experiences of Illness for Families and Caretakers**

*Sponsor:* Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

*Organizer &*

*Presider:* Erin Ruel, Georgia State University

*Papers:*

“‘No One Really Cares’: The Lived Experience of Community-based Persons with Alzheimer’s disease and their Caregivers,” William D. Cabin, University of Michigan School of Social Work and Susan Havens Lang, Lang Associates, LLC

“Caring for Wounded Warriors: Experiences of Military Cadre Unit Members,” Shelley S. Kay, Alexis A. Bender, Christine Lagana-Riordan, Amanda Jungels, Sheba King, Sarah Aktepy, Amber Wilson and Amy M. Millikan-Bell, Army Institute of Public Health

“Facilitating culture-centered communication between and health care providers and veterans transitioning from military deployment to civilian life,” Christopher J. Koenig, Department of Medicine, University of California, Shira Maguen and Jose D. Monroy, Department of Psychiatry, University of California, Lindsay Mayott, Department of Medicine, University of California and Karen H. Seal, Departments of Medicine and Psychiatry, University of California

“Is it Bad News?: Recommending Cessation of Treatment in an Oncology Clinic,” Dagoberto Cortez, Douglas W. Maynard and Toby Campbell, University of Wisconsin-Madison

“Therapeutic Voyeurism: Medicalization and Memoirs,” Wendy Simonds, Georgia State University

**CFP 73: Safety-net Policies Across the Life Course**

*Sponsors:* Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Youth, Aging, and the Life Course

*Organizer &*

*Presider:* Mary Byrnes, Marygrove College

*Papers:*

“Employing a Structural Vulnerability of Poverty Framework to Examine Determinants of SNAP Participation,” Gina Rosen, UCLA Department of Social Welfare

“Homecare needs of seniors with disabilities: challenges facing safety-net policies,”  
Mélanie Levasseur, Université de Sherbrooke, Québec, Canada and Annie Carrier,  
Université de Sherbrooke

“Mandatory Social Impact Assessments as a Safety-Net Policy Requirement,”  
William D. Cabin, University of Michigan School of Social Work

“Measuring Health Literacy in Vulnerable Populations: A Replication Using Data from  
Young Sex Workers in Dallas and New York City,” Heather D. Champeau, University of  
Colorado - Boulder

“Organizing God: Navigating religion and belonging in a medically supervised adult  
daycare program,” LaTonya J. Trotter, Vanderbilt University

**CFP 75: Racial Inequalities in Health Services and Health Professions**

*Sponsors:* Health, Health Policy, and Health Services

Racial and Ethnic Minorities

*Organizer:* Deborah A. Potter, University of Louisville

*Presider:* David G. Embrick, Loyola University-Chicago

*Papers:*

“Professional Problems: The Burden of Educating the Global Filipino Nurse,”  
Yasmin Y. Ortega, Syracuse University

“Racial/Ethnic Differences in Utilization of Physician Care Services for Diabetes,”  
Raeven F. Chandler and Shannon M. Monnat, Penn State University

“Sweet Salvation: The Black Church, Inclusion, and Type 2 Diabetes,” James Battle,  
Dept. of Sociology, University of California, Santa Cruz

“Is HIV/AIDS A Black Disease? Teaching Students About Racial Disparities in Health,”  
Donna M. Cole, Yale School of Public Health

“Challenges to Addressing Reproductive Health Disparities in a Smaller Urban Setting,”  
Matthew Matsaganis and Annis Golden, State University of New York at Albany



## More Announcements

### 1. **Join the SSSP Listserv**

We also want to remind current SSSP members to join the SSSP listserv. The listserv is an optional benefit for members. To join the listserv, visit <http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/pageid/1625>. Questions relating to the listserv should be directed to Listserv Moderator Nancy Mezey, [nmezey@monmouth.edu](mailto:nmezey@monmouth.edu). Technical questions should be directed to GRA & Webmaster Lisa East, [eeast2@utk.edu](mailto:eeast2@utk.edu).

### 2. **Connect with the SSSP on social media**

Have you liked the SSSP on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) yet? Our social media accounts feature information from the Society as well as relevant news and articles of interest to our members. Connect with us today!