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*Newsletter of the Law and Society Division
Society for the Study of Social Problems*

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NOTES FROM THE CHAIR

Notes from the Chair:

I am writing these notes as my Spring Quarter at California State University, East Bay, begins. Despite my heavy teaching and research load, I am excited to chair the SSSP Law & Society Division. My research in the fields of forensics, social sciences, and health sciences explores the dark side of law and society, including new research into how the legal system responds to aircraft hijacking, missing persons, partner abductions, and runaway youth. My work as a forensic/litigation sociologist also has given me new insights

into the usefulness of social science testimony in resolving many disputes in civil and criminal law. As social/behavior scientists and legal scholars/consultants, we participate in the legal system and analyze the impact of social change on the legal system. As Division Chair, my hope is that for this year's annual meeting, we will emphasize the SSSP's theme of service sociology. The Law & Society Division is an ideal vehicle for facilitating community engagement and the application of law & society theory, research, and methods to service sociology. I am open to new forms of collaboration and ideas from our Division members. I also hope that our experienced Division members will continue to serve as mentors to our graduate students and participate actively in social and employment networking.

This year, I am sure that topics related to service sociology will be addressed at our annual meeting. The annual meeting is scheduled for August 19 - 21 in Las Vegas, NV. I am very pleased to announce that the Law and Society Division is sponsoring the following four sessions and co-sponsoring the following five sessions for the 2011 meeting :

**SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF
SOCIAL PROBLEMS**

61ST ANNUAL MEETING

SERVICE SOCIOLOGY

AUGUST 19-21, 2011

HARRAH'S LAS VEGAS HOTEL

**3475 LAS VEGAS BLVD, SOUTH
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA**

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SPONSORED AND CO-SPONSORED SESSIONS

Regular: Immigration, Exclusion, and Human Rights: Changes in State and Local Policy

Sponsors: Community Research and Development; Conflict, Social Action, and Change; Global; Law and Society; Racial and Ethnic Minorities

Organizers: Lloyd Klein, Saint Francis College; Theo J. Majka, University of Dayton

President: Lloyd Klein, Saint Francis College

Papers:

“God has been Bordered: Vietnamese Caodaists in Cambodia Struggle for Religious and Ethnic Integration Across Borders,” Thien-Huong Ninh, University of Southern California

“Different structure, different outcome: comparing ethnic relations in Indonesia and Malaysia,” Kim-Yung Keng, University of Hawaii

“Criminal Justice Protection for Muslim Minorities in Europe,” Pamela Irving Jackson, Rhode Island College and Peter Doerschler, Bloomsburg University

“Negative Attitudes against the Roma in the European Union: Between Homeland Security and Racial Discrimination,” Eliza Markley and Darina Lepadatu, Kennesaw State University

“Patterns of ethnic segregation in contemporary cities: a comparison between Milan, Copenhagen and Toronto,” Roberta Cucca, Politecnico di Milano

Regular: Law and Domestic Abuse

Sponsors: Crime and Juvenile Delinquency; Family; Law and Society; Sociology and Social Welfare

Organizer & President: Lloyd Klein, Saint Francis College

Papers:

“Influence of Age at first Marriage, Marriage Pattern on Gender-Based Violence in Nigeria,”

Adenike Titilayo-Ayotunde, Primary Health Care Dept, Community Health Unit, Lagos State Local Government Service Commission, Lagos, Nigeria and Ayotunde Titilayo, Demography and Social Statistics Dept., Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Osun State, Nigeria.

“When First We Practice to Deceive,”
Colette M. Street, Fielding Graduate University

“Listening to Victims of Domestic Violence: Practitioner’s Photo-Narratives of Vicarious Trauma and Self-Care,” Lisa Frohmann, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Impact of Perpetrator Gender on Police Responses to Violence in Intimate Relationships,”
Roger M. Kernsmith, Eastern Michigan University and Poco D. Kernsmith, Wayne State University

“Domestic Violence Court Judges’ Use of Discretion in Granting Petitioners’ Request for Restraining Orders Related to Parent-Child Abductions,”
Stephen J. Morewitz, San Jose State University and Lloyd Klein, Saint Francis College

Regular: Sociology of Law and Public Policy

Sponsor: Law and Society

Organizer & President: Paul D. Steele, Morehead State University

Papers:

“Foucault, governmentality, and the law,” Agnieszka Marta Zajackowska, UVic, SFU

“Nevada and Las Vegas Crime Rates 2005-2009: Making Sense of the Numbers,” Steven A. Pace and Andrew L. Spivak, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

“The striking down of Canadian Prostitution Laws - Where do we go from Here?” Jacqueline Lewis, University of Windsor

“Stop ‘Waiting for Superman’ and just let him fly by: An evaluation of cloaked welfare and education reform policies and the gender issue,” Gwendolyn Purifoye, Loyola University Chicago (PhD student)

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

SPONSORED AND CO-SPONSORED SESSIONS

“Distracted Driving: the New DWI?” Peter F. Parilla, University of St. Thomas

Regular: Juvenile and Other Specialty Courts

Sponsors: Law and Society; Sociology and Social Welfare

Organizer & President: Matthew Laurin, Morehead State University

Papers:

“Legal, Penal, and Therapeutic Consciousness: Experiencing Drug Court,” Michael A. Smyth and Alex Skitolsky, Susquehanna University

“Kafkaesque social justice: A Tribute to Paul K. Longmore,” Thomas P. Horejcs, Gallaudet University

“Examining Disparities in Mental Health Court Completion,” Bradley Ray and Cindy B. Dollar, North Carolina State University

“A Study of Mental Health Courts in Illinois: Variability in Program Structures, Roles, and Outcomes,” Arthur J. Lurigio and Monte Staton, Loyola University Chicago

Regular: Sanctions and Punishment

Sponsors: Law and Society; Social Problems Theory

Organizer: Richard A. Leo, University of San Francisco

Papers:

“‘Homicide: Life on the Street’ and Sentenced to Life Behind Bars: Juveniles without the Possibility of Parole,” Christopher A. Mallett, Cleveland State University

“Penal Object(ive)s: Three Dimensions of Penal Consciousness Among Ohio State Prisoners,” Lori Sexton, University of California, Irvine

“The Institutionalization of Strategic Incapacitation and the Policing of Mass Gatherings: From Public Protest to Everyday Crowd Control,” Patrick Gillham, University of Idaho

“Truthiness, [In]Justice, and the American Way: Negotiating Capital Punishment in Cyberspace,” R.J. Maratea, New Mexico State University and Brian Monahan, Iowa State University

“Uncovering the Mean Length of Stay in Prison During America’s Race to Incarcerate, 1979-2004,” Evelyn J. Patterson, Vanderbilt University

Regular: New Trends in Violence and Deviance

Sponsor: Law and Society

Organizer & President: Stephen J. Morewitz, San Jose State University

Papers:

“Retrospective study of suicidal cases in Nepalese children and young adults,” Navin Mishra, KIST Medical College

“Age Differences in Women’s Anger Experience and Expression,” A. Antonio González-Prendes and Nancy Prail, Wayne State University-School of Social Work and Poco D. Kernsmith, Wayne State University

“The Role of Research in Determining Strategies for Policing Street and Indoor Prostitution: An Application of Donald Black’s Behavior of Law,” Whitney A. Flesher and Sandra Lee Browning, University of Cincinnati

“Work, Sell and Heat: Violence, Professional Wrestlers and Their Fans,” Daniel Glenday, Brock University

“Importation, Deprivation and Racial Threat: A Theoretical Analysis of Interracial Prison Violence,” Nick Richardson, North Carolina State University and Christopher Barnum, St. Ambrose University

Regular: Immigration, Exclusion, and Human Rights: American Perspectives

Sponsors: Community Research and Development; Conflict, Social Action, and Change; Global; Law and Society; Racial and Ethnic Minorities

Organizers: Lloyd Klein, Saint Francis College; Theo J. Majka, University of Dayton

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Papers:

“Pathways to participation in the politics of immigration: Comparing professional advocates and amateur activists in a new immigration destination,” Julie Stewart and Marti Morris, University of Utah

“The US-Mexico Border as Liminal Space: transnational problems, local institutions, and vulnerable migrants,” Heidi Sarabia, UC Berkeley

SPONSORED AND CO-SPONSORED SESSIONS

“Online forums as a space for Moral Panic: Examining the online debate on AZSB1070,”

Kihonna L. Grey, Arizona State University and Arifa E. Raza, University of California, Riverside

“The DREAM Act at the State Level: Explaining the Passage and Rejection of In State Tuition for Undocumented Students in Utah and Colorado,” Erica Jade Mullen and Orly Clerge, Brown University

“Do Cubans Care About Social Problems? The Exile Identity and Civil Society Ideology Among Cuban-Americans in Florida,” Guillermo J. Grenier, Florida International University

Regular: Sexual Victims and Sexual Victimization

Sponsor: Law and Society

Organizer & Presider: Paul D. Steele, Morehead State University

Papers:

“Real Rape in Las Vegas,” Brooke M. Wagner and Andrew L. Spivak, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

“The Social Construction of the Ideal Rape Victim: Functions and Consequences,” Meghan Novisky, Kent State University-Stark

“An Intersectional Approach to Understanding Stigma Associated with Male Sexual Assault Victimization,” Kevin M. Ralston, University of Delaware

“All the Rage: Female Juvenile Offenders’ Explanations for Assault at School,” Lisa Pasko, University of Denver

“Child Sexual Abuse among Socially Marginalized Groups: Cultural and Governmental Influences Perpetuating Maltreatment in American Indian Country,” Paul D. Steele, Morehead State University

Regular: Judicial and Legislative Responses to Social Problems

Sponsor: Law and Society

Organizer & Presider: Paul D. Steele, Morehead State University

Papers:

“The Ceremonial of Adoption of Evidence-Based Practices: Loose Coupling in Problem Solving Courts,” Shannon Portillo and Danielle S. Rudes, George Mason University

“Failure to Launch: A Case Study of a Problem Solving Reentry Court for Sex Offenders,” Kristen Budd, Purdue University

“The Social Basis of Volunteer Legal Service: Predictors of Pro Bono Legal Work,” Robert Granfield, University at Buffalo

“Socio-Spatial Exclusion and Inclusion: Massachusetts’ Fair Share Housing Policy,” Jennifer Girouard, Brandeis University

“Law as a transformative space?: Examining the regulation of plural intimate unions in Canada through the s.293 Reference,” Jessica Penwell Barnett, University of Windsor

I hope to see you all this year at our annual meeting in Las Vegas. Come to the Vegas to see old friends and make new ones.

In solidarity,

Stephen J. Morewitz

Department of Nursing and Health Sciences
California State University, East Bay
Chair, Law & Society Division

PS: I would like to thank to thank Michael Smyth for his excellent work in editing this newsletter!



2011 THEME: SERVICE SOCIOLOGY

"If each of us chooses some ... form of public service and puts himself thoroughly into it, things will go very well." — Charles Horton Cooley, *Social Organization* (1909).

"To investigate humanity for the purpose of service." — Emory S. Bogardus, motto of Alpha Kappa Delta (1920).

"The real question is, does our special expertise and information [as sociologists] give us a special obligation to act?" — John F. Galliher, *What They Said and What They Did: Some Early SSSP Presidents* (2002).

During the past 61 years our Society, journal, and members have endeavored admirably, each in their own way, to promote social justice and solve social problems. But when it comes to the larger discipline of sociology, these goals have been largely neglected, and it hasn't provided much of a framework for pursuing them. Thus, I propose an alternative sociology; one that I'm calling service sociology. Service sociology is a sociology of social problems intended to ameliorate conditions of life for those in need of assistance, and to ensure and promote the welfare of the community. Motivated by care and compassion a service-oriented sociology is aimed at helping people meet their pressing social needs. As such, service sociology involves the application of sociological knowledge combined with the expression of humanitarian sentiment in neighborly service.

I mean the word "service" in two senses. The first meaning, which is pragmatic, refers to a variety of practices—aid-actions—that are informed by sociological knowledge. These aid-actions may be performed regularly, sporadically, or once-only, but they are intended, first and foremost, to address the social, physical, and/or psychological exigencies of individuals and communities. The second meaning of the term "service" is valuative and gets to the essence of our profession—a word that comes from the Latin meaning to declare one's values openly.

And the values of service sociology that motivate the aid-actions intended to alleviate and ameliorate social problems are those of justice, equality, and neighborliness.

Service, as an ethos and a practice, was once at the core of our discipline; particularly given the fact that early American sociology was primarily a reformist endeavor. The earliest forms of service sociology took root in the social gospel, settlement sociology, and charity sociology as practiced by, among others, Albion W. Small, Jane Addams, and Charles A. Ellwood.

The theme of service sociology will give us the opportunity to discuss various forms of, and opportunities for, implementing aid-actions: from providing charity to rendering humanitarian relief; from community organizing to social planning; from civic engagement and volunteerism to philanthropy.

In considering anew the recurrent question, *Sociology for whom?*, the co-founder of SSSP, Alfred McClung Lee, wisely stated that we should respond in this manner: *Sociology for the service of humanity*. "This answer," said Lee, "refers to the need to develop knowledge of direct service to people as citizens, as consumers, and as neighbors." Let us once again, at the 2011 meetings of SSSP, consider a sociology for the service of humanity.

A. Javier Treviño, SSSP President
Wheaton College

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Third Annual International Crime, Media & Popular Culture Studies Conference: A Cross Disciplinary Exploration

September 26th, 27th & 28th, 2011

Indiana State University
Terre Haute, Indiana

Sponsored by: Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Indiana State University
Sponsored in part by: Department of Criminal Justice, College of Justice and Safety, Eastern Kentucky University
www.indstate.edu/cci/popcultureconference/

Conference Chair: Franklin T. Wilson, Ph.D.
Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Indiana State University, fwilson2@indstate.edu

Abstract Submission Deadline: Friday July 8, 2011
*Early abstract submission is recommended

Registration Payment Deadline - Presenter: Friday August 19

Registration Payment Deadline - Non-Presenter: Friday, Sept 09

Featured Speakers:

Gregg Barak, Ph.D.

Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminology, Eastern Michigan University
"Newsmaking Criminology, Policy Making, and Popular Culture: Reflections from the Margins"

Meda Chesney-Lind, Ph.D.

Women's Studies Program, University of Hawaii at Manoa
"Girls Gone Wild: Media Misogyny and the Bad Girl Hype"

Shaun Gabbidon, Ph.D.

School of Public Affairs, Penn State Harrisburg
"The Construction of Race and Crime Statistics"

Peter K. Manning, Ph.D.

School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Northeastern University

"The Drama of Policing: Modern Modes of Media Amplification"

Gary Potter, Ph.D.

Department of Criminal Justice
Eastern Kentucky University
"Constructing Crime in an Era of Globalization"

Raymond Surette, Ph.D.

Department of Criminal Justice
University of Central Florida
"New Media and Copycat Crime Among Offenders"

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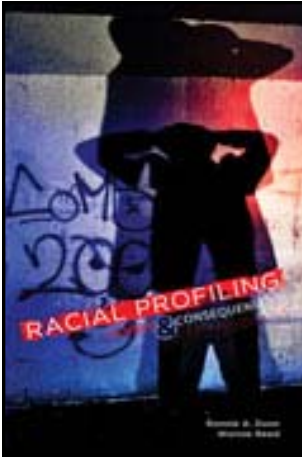
EDITOR SOUGHT FOR DIVISION NEWSLETTER

AFTER THREE YEARS OF SERVICE, NEW CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE THAT I STEP DOWN FROM MY POSITION AS EDITOR OF *PRO BONO*, THE LAW AND SOCIETY DIVISION NEWSLETTER.

IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE OF SERVICE TO THE DIVISION, MY TERM AS EDITOR GAVE ME A CHANCE TO MEET AND INTERACT WITH MEMBERS FROM ALL OVER THE U.S., CANADA, AND THE U.K. IT'S BEEN A VALUABLE EXPERIENCE THAT I HIGHLY RECOMMEND TO ANY INTERESTED MEMBERS, ESPECIALLY ADVANCED GRADUATE STUDENTS AND NEW FACULTY MEMBERS.

TO APPLY FOR THIS POSITION, PLEASE CONTACT THE CURRENT EDITOR, MICHAEL SMYTH AT SMYTH@SUSQU.EDU.

NEW PUBLICATIONS



Racial Profiling: Causes and Consequences

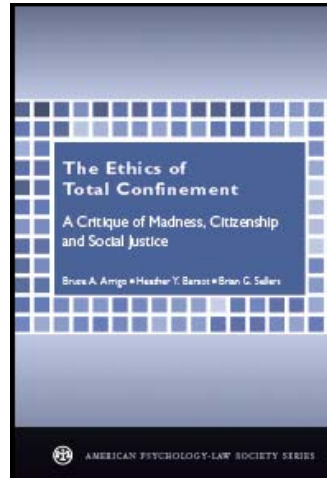
Ronnie A. Dunn and
Wornie Reed

ISBN: 9780757586866

As of 2007, there had been over 200 court cases involving allegations of racial and ethnic profiling against law enforcement agencies in the United States. Consequently, it is an issue of significant concern.

While racial profiling can affect many aspects of the lives of minorities, including Arab and Muslim Americans, *Racial Profiling: Causes and Consequences* focuses on the "driving while black" (DWB) phenomenon. Among the most frequently occurring incidences of racial profiling is traffic stops—for minor traffic violations, which often result in vehicle searches for contraband. That is the focus of this book, which includes several studies of traffic stops and assesses traffic stops from several perspectives.

- Includes a study that analyzes reports from several states on data collected in traffic stops. These data indicate the race of the driver and the disposition of the traffic stop, i.e., race, search, and yield for contraband. This data was examined for evidence of racial discrimination.
- Features several personal stories of DWB in order to illuminate the pervasiveness of its occurrence.
- Presents a comprehensive study of traffic ticketing in Cleveland, Ohio. This study integrates research methods used in other studies to provide an enhanced estimate of the driving population within the particular geographic area being studied.
- Provides an analysis of the DWB issue from an institutional racism perspective rather than the traditional individual racist police officer paradigm in which the issue is generally discussed.
- Highlights the less obvious concomitant socioeconomic and legal ramifications of DWB such as the revocation of one's driver's license due to the accumulation of points for moving traffic violations and the various economic costs and hardships that stem from this loss of driving privileges, the possibility of multiple traffic infractions being added to a police record as was the case with Timothy Thomas, the young black man shot to death by Cincinnati police in 2001.



The Ethics of Total Confinement

Bruce Arrigo,
Heather Y. Bershot,
and Brian G. Sellers
ISBN: 9780195372212

In three parts, this volume in the AP-LS series explores the phenomena of captivity and risk management, guided and informed by the theory, method, and policy of psychological jurisprudence. The

authors present a controversial thesis that demonstrates how the forces of captivity and risk management are sustained by several interdependent "conditions of control." These conditions impose barriers to justice and set limits on citizenship for one and all. Situated at the nexus of political/social theory, mental health law and jurisprudential ethics, the book examines and critiques constructs such as offenders and victims; self and society; therapeutic and restorative; health; harm; and community. So, too, are three "total confinement" case law data sets on which this analysis is based.

The volume stands alone in its efforts to systematically "diagnose" the moral reasoning lodged within prevailing judicial opinions that sustain captivity and risk management practices impacting: (1) the rights of juveniles found competent to stand criminal trial, the mentally ill placed in long-term disciplinary isolation, and sex offenders subjected to civil detention and community re-entry monitoring; (2) the often unmet needs of victims; and (3) the demands of an ordered society. Carefully balancing sophisticated insights with concrete and cutting-edge applications, the book concludes with a series of provocative, yet practical, recommendations for future research and meaningful reform within institutional practice, programming, and policy. *The Ethics of Total Confinement* is a thought-provoking and timely must-read for anyone interested in the ethical and legal issues regarding madness, citizenship, and social justice.

2012 Annual Meeting
Denver, CO

MEETING RESERVATIONS



2011

GROUP: THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS

GROUP CODE: SHSSP1

DATE: AUGUST 16-23, 2011

DELUXE ROOM RATE:

\$65 Weekday (Sunday – Thursday); \$89 Weekend (Friday & Saturday)

*Additional persons will be charged at a rate of \$30 per person, per night for third and fourth persons, with a maximum of four persons per guestroom.

Rate is exclusive of 12% tax and subject to change without notice

HOTEL:

Harrah's offers 2,500 beautifully appointed guest rooms and suites with all of the amenities that conference attendees need. All rooms feature an iron/ironing board, hair dryer, mini-bar, work area, Internet access, and movies and video games. You also will have access to high speed internet for only \$7.50 per 24 hours. The cost of the spa and fitness center is \$10 per day.

RESERVATIONS:

To book, modify or cancel a reservation go to: [http://www.harahs.com/CheckGroupAvailability.do?](http://www.harahs.com/CheckGroupAvailability.do?propCode=LAS&groupCode=SHSSP1)

[propCode=LAS&groupCode=SHSSP1](http://www.harahs.com/CheckGroupAvailability.do?propCode=LAS&groupCode=SHSSP1). You can call the Central Reservations department at 888-458-8471 (24hrs). When you call to make your reservation please give the group code SHSSP1 to ensure you are given the correct room rate. Each reservation must be guaranteed with a credit card and will be charged one night room and tax when you book your reservation. Check in is at 4:00pm and check-out is at 11:00am. There must be a 72 hour notice for cancellation prior to arrival. Any cancellation made after this will forfeit one night room and tax.

CUT-OFF DATE:

Reservation must be confirmed by Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at 12:00am (PST) to guarantee a room rate of \$65 weekday and \$89 weekend. Reservations made after July 26th or after the room block is filled are subject to non-availability and rate increase.