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Teen Suicides – A Particular Concern among Sexual Minority Youth

Last fall, several teens were tragically lost to suicide and their untimely deaths spurred an unprecedented debate. The debate took place in schools, in the media, among researchers and parents, because the teens who ended their lives had self-identified as sexual minorities and also because they were all victims of bullying. The local and national media produced intense coverage of these suicide deaths with attention grabbing headlines that underscored how intensely these teens had been tormented prior to their deaths. As a result of the media coverage and the debate surrounding these specific suicide deaths, it became clear that there are several key issues that need to drive future suicide prevention and intervention efforts, in order to produce better resolutions for vulnerable youth.

Among the most salient questions are what resources are available to better understand and address suicides among gay teens?; what is done about bullying, an important risk factor for suicide among gay teens; and finally, how will social change, possibly already underway, change norms and social support for gay teens?

While suicide is the third leading cause of death among youth in the U.S., the rate of suicide is likely much higher among sexually minorities. However, death certificates do not specify sexual orientation so the actual numbers of any type of death specifically for sexual minorities are not known. Regardless of the specific numbers of deaths, it is clear that suicide prevention efforts to date are underfunded, with relatively limited reach for vulnerable youth. However, as an example, the Trevor Project (1-800-4-U-Trevor) is a national 24 hour per day operated suicide hotline that is available and targeted specifically for gay and questioning youth that can address the potentially unique issues that they may face and to help avert crises. This project provides a unique and targeted service, however given the scope of this public health problem, additional efforts are needed to better handle the underlying circumstances that contribute to stigma, social alienation, victimization, and self-medication among vulnerable youth that may have been caused or exacerbated by bullying.

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

Hello from Georgia,

This is our first issue of Social Problems Forum produced at Georgia State University and we are very excited about the wealth of information included. I am particularly grateful to Jane Daquin, my editorial assistant and to Claire Renzetti, Héctor Delgado and Michele Smith Koontz for all the help they provided me in the process of getting this issue produced. I’d like to draw your attention to a couple of particularly interesting articles published in this issue. First, please take the time to read the very timely piece by Dr. Monica Swahn on gay teen suicides (p.1). Dr. Swahn does an excellent job highlighting this important social problem. Also, please read Dr. Barbara Katz Rothman’s analysis of the attacks by Glenn Beck and his followers on former SSSP President Frances Fox Piven (p. 4). Finally, don’t miss Dr. Bonnie Berry’s open letter to SSSP members requesting stories about your experiences with “Same Work, Different Author” situations. Please note the changes to the SSSP annual meeting location (p.49). I hope you are able to make plans to be with us this summer in Las Vegas.

See you in Las Vegas,

Brent Teasdale, Ph.D. (Editor—Social Problems Forum)

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Viva Las Vegas!

We are all looking forward to the SSSP’s 61st annual meeting, August 19-21, 2011, in Las Vegas under the theme of “Service Sociology.” Originally slated to take place in Chicago, we moved the meeting because it is our practice to have our meeting overlap with the ASA’s meeting and in the same city. The ASA moved because of a labor dispute, which left us in a precarious position, especially because we had to wait for the ASA to find a new location and dates. They chose Las Vegas and immediately we began our search with the assistance of our meeting consultant, Marisa Crame, Senior Director, Global Accounts, for Helms-Briscoe. Marisa set up the visits and Michele and I traveled to Vegas (joined by Marisa) in mid-January, inspected the sites, and finally recommended our preferred site – Harrah’s – which the Board approved.

Briefly, let me tell you why we selected Harrah’s. First, the meeting space is ideal for a meeting of our size. Registration, the book exhibit, and all of the meeting rooms are on the same level and very close to one another. Almost all of the guest rooms are located in the same tower as the meeting space, which means that most members will be able to take the elevator directly to the meeting space without having to walk through the casino. Attractive as well are the room rates: Weekday $65, Weekend $89 (plus tax), with no resort fee. We also negotiated a very low $7.50 in-room internet rate (24 hours) for members who wish to take advantage of it. The hotel is located on the strip, easy walking distance and across the street from Caesar’s Palace, where the ASA is staying. Every year we urge members to stay in our hotel, which helps the society enormously financially (in addition to the convenience it affords). In any event, members will be hard pressed to find a cheaper room elsewhere, and if by chance they do, they will have to walk a considerable distance to attend either meeting. Let me add that Harrah’s has plenty of places to eat and is right next to a food court for diners on a tight budget. If you drive to the meeting, parking, including valet parking, is complimentary. For more information on the city, make sure to read the “Welcome to the City” piece on Las Vegas when the preliminary program comes out.

Frances Fox Piven Threatened

I wanted to take this opportunity as well to let you know that Frances Fox Piven, SSSP President 1979-80, continues to be attacked by Glenn Beck on radio and television. But now Fran is also receiving death threats from Beck fans. We have been in touch with Fran on a regular basis over the past few months to lend support, as have other organizations, scholars, and activists across the country. She is touched by the support, but has to be concerned, especially in light of recent events in Arizona. In at least one radio broadcast Beck and others mocked the threats made against her. If you go to our homepage you will find a photo of Fran and a letter approved by the Board which was sent to News Corporation and Fox News, and several news outlets. The SSSP also signed on to another statement signed by a long list of organizations condemning these attacks. Soon we will post more information on what Fran is being subjected to, including examples of the threats made against her. Meanwhile, please take a few minutes to read Barbara Katz Rothman’s excellent and engaging piece on Fran in this newsletter. Fran is responding publicly to these attacks and the climate of hate they engender for everyone. Fran will also join us for a session Saturday, August 20 in Vegas to discuss these events and will be joined by two other panelists to discuss the larger issues these attacks raise.

Again, we look forward to seeing you in Vegas. In the interim, please make sure that you are aware of and meet all of the deadlines (noted in this newsletter and on our website), including the end of pre-registration (July 15). Also, as soon as our new website is up and running, we will let you know. Take care.
You’ve probably heard something of the situation by now – Glenn Beck, a Fox news ‘commentator’ is trashing Frances Fox Piven, using the kind of hateful language and accusations that have come to mark American political discourse, taking all the ‘civil’ out of it. Throw in the joys of the internet, and the level of the conversation has degraded to “Die you Cunt!” messages arriving in Piven’s email. Commentate that! I’m not absolutist about a lot of things, but when it comes to free speech and the first amendment, you’re not going to find a lot of stronger advocates. I spent my teenage and young adult years listening to late night ‘listener supported’ radio, listened in tears as stations were attacked by right-wing, pro-war forces, felt my eyes fill as the Pacifica station reopened with the rousing chords of “Let the Sun Shine In” after a bombing. Oh those 1960’s! And in the years that followed, I watched early feminist attempts to control deeply misogynist pornography backfire, the laws quickly being used against feminist free speech.

These days, I spend a fair amount of time in Berlin, a city so overfilled with its own monuments that it requires stumble stones, engraved brass cobblestones to show you where people were rounded up and sent to concentration camps. I became used to it, stumbled, sighed, nodded and walked on. But the memorial that brought tears to my eyes, the one that truly made me stumble, was the book burning memorial. In front of Humboldt University, at the law school no less, there is a memorial marking the spot where the Nazis burned piles of the books they found offensive. You stand on a square of thick glass in the plaza and look down into a small white room lined with empty white bookshelves. I stood there and cried – the books! So what with one thing and another, I’m not going to ask for laws to cut down on freedom of speech. Not even Glenn Beck’s. I am going to defend his right to be stupid and evil. But it does require that I – and we, SSSP members – be good and smart. We have to address these vicious, personal attacks designed to silence not just Piven, but any of us who critically assess the system and dare to publicly advocate for the poor, the unemployed or the foreclosed.

An unfortunately large part of the media response supportive of Piven that I’ve seen makes a point of mentioning that Frances Fox Piven is 78. Well, as an old white woman myself, I kinda resent the assumption that one look at us and anyone can see that obviously we’re not dangerous. Partly it’s the ‘ageism’ in that, but more it’s the kind of privilege that allows some people to say things like “Do I look like a ______?” shoplifter, terrorist, radical rabble-rouser? Thus reinforcing the idea that some people – young black or Middle Eastern men for example-- do look the type. And just what is the type in question for Beck here? Piven, a past president of our organization and of ASA, a colleague and a truly remarkable and wonderful scholar and person, may well be a model member of an intelligent minority. Beck has named her among nine people as the ‘intelligent minority’ who are also the nine most dangerous people in the world. I think I would take some comfort from a world in which the
most intelligent were also the most dangerous – it would imply more power associated with intelligence than I’ve observed. But be that as it may, I’m having a hard time seeing Piven as one of the nine most dangerous – and thus in some way powerful -- people in the world. If she were, this would be a much nicer world.

It’s been noted that 8 of those 9 people Beck pointed to are Jews. Intelligent minority? We’ve been called worse I suppose. Did Beck really and truly, deliberately do a display of anti-Semitism? Is this a Goebel-like attempt to tell the big-lie, name the scapegoat, sow division, and let the people connect the dots? Or, like Sarah Palin’s recent misuse of the phrase ‘blood libel’ did he just demonstrate an appalling lack of, uh, intelligence? Or at least knowledge of history, sense of the political landscape, basic common sense or what my mother would call ‘seichel’?

So here’s what Beck says makes Piven so dangerous – she’s a public sociologist (or public political scientist - pity but the media do consistently give them rather than us credit for her) who has recently wondered why the unemployed in America these days are not protesting, rallying and marching, why they are going so quietly into that jobless night. She compared that silence with other protests and disruptions, including the recent Greek strikes and riots. Well, people died in Greece, so it follows logically a la Beck that Piven is calling for violence.

But that’s rather minor in her list of sins. Really what she’s responsible for is the financial meltdown and – now you’ve made even me angry Frances -- the housing crash! It seems that what really caused the economy to crash was an article Piven and Cloward wrote 45 years ago that suggested that ‘poor people claim their lawful benefits from the welfare system.” Piven and Cloward thought perhaps that would bring us to a system of guaranteed income. It didn’t actually do that, you might have noticed. But 42 or so years later, that article caused the markets to crash and that explains why I couldn’t sell my house! I am so relieved to finally understand what happened with all that.

OK, I will take a deep breath and try again to deal with this seriously. Frances Fox Piven is getting death threats, and no, that’s not funny and it is terrifying. Defending her right to enter the public discourse and try hard to steer it intelligently does not really open up ways of shutting Glenn Beck up. If she has a right to be smart, he’s got one to be stupid. But there are a lot of us, and maybe we better get out there in that public discourse too. Surely there are more members of the intelligent minority (goys welcome!) who can raise our voices alongside of Piven’s, make our calls for justice, for decent social policy, for an end to racism, an end to poverty, our calls for a better world, and make it harder for just one or two of us to be picked off, ‘selected,’ shall I say, for smearing.

BKR offers a particular thank you to Eileen Moran for her ongoing writing help.

Barbara Katz Rothman, Ph.D. is a Professor of Sociology at Baruch College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York.
Bullying has emerged as a key risk factor for suicides among gay teens. Unfortunately, bullying is reported by nearly a third of U.S. middle and high school students making it a very common occurrence across campuses. The good news is that school districts across the country are implementing or amending policies and laws to better handle bullying. As an example, in 2010, the Georgia General Assembly modified the existing bullying law by expanding the definition of bullying and also requiring local school districts to notify parents when their child bullies or is a victim of bullying. Moreover, the law was also modified to require school districts to adopt policies that prohibit bullying and to have age appropriate consequences and interventions available at all schools. While these new laws are too recent to have been evaluated with regards to their impact, they serve as possible additional protection for youth, especially gay teens that may have been marginalized in school. The more pressing question however, is what protection these laws may or may not provide related to cyber bullying that crosses the boundaries between school and home, as well as other settings. The profound impact of the nearly instantaneous transmissions of hurtful messages through texting, emails, and posting on social networking sites make prevention and enforcement efforts infinitely more complex. It is with this context in mind that positive social changes are also needed to better support those youth in need of support and protection.

While efforts are made to better understand suicides among gay teens and policies have been put in place to better address risk factors such as bullying, most impact may be seen due to other social movements that give gays and other sexual minorities a stronger voice and equality. In particular, the “NOH8” campaign, which serves to visually symbolize the impact of silencing the voices of those in favor of same-sex marriages in California and elsewhere as a response of the repeal of the Proposition 8 that was voted on in 2008, maintains momentum more than two years after the significant vote. Moreover, the “It gets better project” encourages all of us to sign a pledge to spread a message of hope and to commit to speak up against hate and intolerance so that those who are impacted by bullying know that it will get better. These prosocial and positive initiatives are key to driving social change especially by urging all of us to intervene and to act. However, these initiatives are profoundly strengthened by recent changes in national policy such as the recent repeal by President Obama in December 2010 of the “Don’t ask, don’t tell” policy which has restricted the U.S. military from identifying or revealing sexual minorities who have not disclosed their sexual orientation while in the service while actively barring those who are openly gay, lesbian or bisexual from serving. The policy, with a previous and complex history, was put in place in 1993 and has been vigorously debated ever since. While it is difficult to assess the impact this policy has had and the future impact the repeal will have, it clearly sends a strong message at the national level about integration and positive social change as key priorities. These initiatives taken as a whole will likely bring positive change to our next generation of youth who will hopefully grow up in a new social environment. We have to recognize that the teens of today have grown up immersed in a social environment where silence around sexual orientation was expected. Therefore, we can no longer be taken by surprise that our vulnerable youth decide to take their own lives in response to the marginalization and victimization they have experienced. Instead it falls on all of us to contribute in large or small ways to make life better for our youth, because our future depends on them and their well-being.

Monica Swahn, PhD. is an Associate Professor of Public Health and the Associate Dean for Research in the College of Health and Human Sciences at Georgia State University. Dr. Swahn has written extensively about suicide, adolescent violence and teen alcohol consumption.
In the summer of 2010, I was delighted to see a review of a book on Beauty Bias in the New York Times Sunday Book Review. I thought, “The New York Times has reviewed my book! Three years late, but still…!” Then I noticed that the titles are slightly different (my book is entitled Beauty Bias: Discrimination and Social Power whereas the 2010 book is entitled The Beauty Bias: The Injustice of Appearance in Life and Law) and that the author’s name is not mine. I read the review and was stunned to discover that the topics discussed, the legal cases examined, and the conclusions reached were exactly the same as the ones of which I had written in my 2007 book.

My first thought was that it must be a coincidence. After all, two writers, working on the same topic, are likely to be acquainted with the same literature, apply the same legal cases, and arrive at the same conclusions.

Soon after I read the New York Times book review, Sociologica, the European review journal, asked me to review the 2010 book. They asked me, they said, because they noticed that the titles are so similar. They sent a copy, which I read and reviewed. Suffice it to say that the 2010 book covered 64 of the same topics that I had covered in my 2007 book, the same legal cases were used, and about 50 of the same citations as I had used were cited. (Many of the citations are sociological, some new, some vintage, some exotic, some not available except in a longstanding sociologist’s library. The other author is not a sociologist.) The conclusions reached and recommendations for the future are the same. There was nothing new in this 2010 edition that would differentiate it from mine.

I have not referred to the 2010 book, which so closely resembles mine, as a plagiarized work. There is no instance in which the wording is identical even though the coverage, the citations, the legal cases, and conclusions are the same. And the author of the 2010 book does cite my work in the chapter notes even though my work does not appear in the index or the body of the text. However, I remain puzzled as to how it happens that, authors working independently, with the later-publishing author knowing of the first-publishing author’s work, can publish an almost-identical work as though the later-published work is original.

It would be helpful to all scientific disciplines to have this phenomenon better understood and information about it disseminated to academic audiences. To that end, I am requesting that the SSSP membership send me similar stories of their same-work/different-author experience. I would hope to collect these stories, analyze them, and publish the findings in an academic outlet. (Full disclosure: I have also made this request of the American Sociological Association and the American Society of Criminology memberships. A similar version of this essay and request appears in their newsletters.)

Please contact me with your experiences in this regard. Tell me, as briefly or as fully as you like, what happened, what you did about it, what the outcomes were, and, if you did nothing about it, why you chose not to pursue the matter. Your stories, of course, will be kept confidential. Thank you in advance for your help on this.

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Dear Annual Meeting Presenters and Organizers:

The Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) has arranged with The Scholar’s Choice to manage the book exhibit for our 61st Annual Meeting taking place August 19-21, 2011, at Harrah’s Las Vegas in Las Vegas, NV. It will be possible for your recently-published books to be included in their display. Please refer to the guidelines below:

Any members interested in having their book displayed at the upcoming SSSP meeting should contact their publisher as soon as possible after February 15th. Please keep in mind that the publishers pay a fee to display with The Scholar’s Choice and may not have the marketing budget necessary to honor all requests, particularly for older titles. The Scholar’s Choice asks that books be appropriate to the meeting and published recently. Reservations from the publishers will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. **ALL requests must come from the publishers, not the author.** Debby Pitts is the contact at The Scholar’s Choice. Your publisher may reach her at djpitts@scholarschoice.com or (585) 262-2048 x.108.

The Scholar’s Choice has a long and successful history of managing academic book exhibits and we welcome them to our meeting.

Most sincerely,

A. Javier Treviño, SSSP President

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Call for SSSP Nominations

Nominations are open for candidates to run in the 2012 General Election. We will be electing a President-Elect, a Vice-President Elect, regular and student members of the Board of Directors, members of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, Committee on Committees, Editorial and Publications Committee, and the Membership and Outreach Committee. Please consider nominating a colleague or yourself for one of these offices by completing the [online nomination form](#).

Nominations should include a brief description of the nominee’s SSSP involvement and other relevant experiences. The Nominations Committee will meet at the Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV. All nominations should be submitted prior to June 15, 2011. The Board of Directors will approve the slate of candidates for the 2012 General Election on August 21, 2011. If you have any questions, please contact **Stephani Williams**, Chairperson, Council of the Special Problems Divisions.
Research in Social Movements, Conflicts and Change

Research in Social Movements, Conflicts and Change, a peer-reviewed volume published by Emerald Group Publishing/JAI Press, encourages submissions for Volume 33 of the series. This volume will have both thematic and open-submission sections and will be guest edited by Jennifer Earl (University of California, Santa Barbara) and Deana Rohlinger (Florida State University). For the open-submission/non-thematic section, submissions appropriate to any of the three broad foci reflected in the series title will be considered.

The special section of Volume 33 will focus on “new” and “old” media in social movements, conflicts, and change. We encourage submissions on the relationship between older media (e.g., newspapers, books, music, radio and network and cable television) and social movements, conflicts, or change, or between “new” media (e.g., the Web) and social movements, conflicts, or change.

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To be considered for inclusion in Volume 33, papers should arrive by May 16, 2011.

Send submissions as a WORD document attached to an email to BOTH Jennifer Earl and Deana Rohlinger, guest RSMCC editors for Volume 33, at jearl@soc.ucsb.edu and drohling@fsu.edu.

Remove all self-references (in text and in bibliography) save for on the title page, which should include full contact information for all authors. Include the paper’s title and the abstract on the first page of the text itself. For initial submissions, any standard social science in-text citation and bibliographic system is acceptable.

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New York, NY

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By: Richard A. Settersten and Barbara E. Richard
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The Lee Scholar Support Fund Committee announces funds available for Foreign Scholars to participate in the 2011 Annual Meeting, August 19-21, Las Vegas, NV.

The Society for the Study Social Problems established the Lee Scholar Support Fund to help bring foreign scholars to the Annual Meeting. The specific purpose is to facilitate scholarly participation by persons engaged in research related to labor, gender, race-ethnicity, less advantaged countries, and other struggles. More generally, the purpose of this fund is to foster cooperative relations among persons and organizations engaged in applying sociological findings to confront social problems and create social change. Consistent with past practice, preference will be given to applicants from economically disadvantaged countries who without these funds could not attend the Annual Meeting.

An online application must be submitted no later than March 15, 2011 and will be automatically sent to:

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The Lee Student Support Fund Committee announces funds available for Undergraduate and Graduate Students to participate in the 2011 Annual Meeting, August 19-21, Las Vegas, NV.

In recognition of Al Lee’s commitment to social justice and his history of critical contributions to the Society for the Study of Social Problems, SSSP established the Lee Student Support Fund. The fund provides up to $500 in travel support (transportation costs only) for undergraduate and graduate student conference participants. Awards are allocated by the committee. In addition to need, the committee may recognize among other factors, the Society’s commitment to diversity, as well as consider the applicant’s commitment to scholar- activism, and interdisciplinary work. Only complete online applications will be reviewed, and there is only one award per applicant. Please contact Patrick Donnelly, University of Dayton, with any questions (donnelly@udayton.edu).

Application must be submitted electronically no later than March 15, 2011.

Application URL: http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/pageId/171

Committee Members:
Patrick Donnelly, Chair, University of Dayton
Jennifer K. Wesely, Chair-Elect, University of North Florida
Tahreer A. Araj, University of Illinois
The Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee announces funds available for Unemployed and Underemployed Sociologists to participate in the 2011 Annual Meeting, August 19-21, Las Vegas, NV.

The Erwin O. Smigel Award was established in 1975 to provide assistance to unemployed and underemployed sociologists. Applicants should be sociologists with an advanced degree who are not full-time students and who are not fully employed. Erwin O. Smigel was a professor and Chair of Sociology at New York University, and the author of *The Wall Street Lawyer* as well as other works. He was the second editor of *Social Problems*; serving from 1958-61. He was also a friendly and good humored man who supported colleagues exceptionally well. The fund was established in Erwin’s honor the year he passed away.

Erwin O. Smigel Award Guidelines: 1) the Smigel Fund monies are to be used to help pay for three or four unemployed or severely underemployed sociologists’ transportation to and registration fees for the SSSP meeting; 2) applicants must be SSSP members who are presenting a paper at the main SSSP meeting (rather than at an adjacent workshop or meeting) or participating as a SSSP elected or appointed officer or committee member; 3) a maximum of $500 dollars is to be granted to any one recipient. An online application must be submitted no later than March 15, 2011 and will be automatically sent to:

Tamara L. Mix  
Oklahoma State University  
431 Murray  
Stillwater, OK 74078-4062  
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Other Committee Members:  
Michelle Budig, Chair-Elect, University of Massachusetts  
Rachel L. Rayburn, University of Central Florida

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Submission Information:

We welcome essays, commentaries, letters to the editor, book review proposals, photo essays, and announcements of interest to SSSP members. Submissions by email are preferred. For a list of books available for review, see [http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/274](http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/274)

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ARTICLE III, SECTION 3. Communication with members

Current wording is:
The Society for the Study of Social Problems assumes that all members will have access to electronic mail and will provide a current email address to the Executive Office for official communications from the Society. A postal address will be provided to the Executive Office as well. This information will be considered privileged information and will not be sold or shared with any group without permission of the individual member. The preferred method of distribution of ballots, notification of meetings, and any other official announcements will be by electronic mail. It is considered the member’s responsibility to notify the Executive Office of any changes in email or postal address in a timely fashion. Any member of the Society may request annually at the time of the annual renewal of membership that they receive mail notices and mail ballots during that year. Such a request must be renewed each year or the preferred method of electronic notification and balloting will be used for all communications.

Proposed wording:
The Society for the Study of Social Problems assumes that all members will have access to electronic mail and will provide a current e-mail address to the Administrative Office for official communications from the Society. A postal address will be provided to the Administrative Office as well. This information will be considered privileged information and will not be sold or shared with any group without permission of the individual member. The preferred method of communication with members is by electronic mail. Electronic mail will be used for the notification of elections, notification of meetings, and any other official announcements. It is considered the member’s responsibility to notify the Administrative Office of any changes in e-mail or postal address in a timely fashion.

Rationale for the change:
The Executive Officer recommended electronic-only announcements, reminders, and ballots for elections as a major cost-savings for the Society. The recommendation was approved by the Board.

________ Approve  ________ Disapprove  _________ Abstain

ARTICLE VI, SECTION 1 (d). Special Problems Divisions

Current wording is:
(d) Election procedures shall insure to all members of the Division an opportunity to vote in the election. It is considered the member’s responsibility to notify the Executive Office of any changes in email or postal address in a timely fashion. Any member of the Society may request annually at the time of annual renewal of membership that they receive mail notices and mail ballots during that year. Such a request must be renewed each year or the preferred method of electronic notification and balloting will be used for all communications.

Proposed wording:
(d) Election procedures shall insure to all members of the Division an opportunity to vote in the election. It is considered the member’s responsibility to notify the Administrative Office of any changes in email address in a timely fashion. Electronic mail will be used for all election-related communication, and voting is conducted via electronic ballot.

Rationale for the change:
The Executive Officer recommended electronic-only announcements, reminders, and ballots for elections as a cost-savings for the Society. The recommendation was approved by the Board.

________ Approve  ________ Disapprove  _________ Abstain

ARTICLE X, SECTION 5. Newsletter

Current wording is:
The Society shall publish a Newsletter to contain official reports of the Society and other articles and communications pertaining to the business of the Society and the professional organization, status, and related concerns of the social sciences disciplines. After an appropriate search, the Editorial and Publications Committee shall nominate and the Board of Directors shall appoint a Newsletter Editor to serve a three-year term. The Editor may be reappointed to subsequent terms. The Editor shall be a non-voting, ex-officio members of the Board of Directors.

Add a new last line to the paragraph:
The newsletter, Social Problems Forum, shall be produced and distributed electronically.

Rationale for the change:
The Executive Officer recommended that the Social Problems Forum newsletter be distributed electronically as a major cost-savings for the Society. The Board approved the recommendation.

________ Approve  ________ Disapprove  _________ Abstain

ARTICLE VI, SECTION 11 (a). Nominations Committee

Current wording is:
The Nomination Committee shall consist of members of the Council of the Special Problems Divisions as it was constituted during the year preceding its convocation as the Nominations Committee, which convocation shall be on the last day of the Annual Meeting of the Society, and shall include one member of the Board of Directors to be designated by the Board and the Chairperson of the council of the Special Problems Divisions and the chairs of the elected Committees. It shall be chaired by the Chairperson of the Council of Special Problems Divisions.
Proposed wording:
The Nomination Committee for each year following the annual meeting is established at the current annual meeting. The committee shall consist of the Chair of the Council of the Special Problems Divisions, three to five Division chairs elected to the committee by the Council of Division Chairs, and a member of the Board of Directors appointed by the President of SSSP. The Chairperson of the Council of the Special Problems Divisions will serve as the Chair of the Nominations Committee and will be the primary point of contact with the Board of Directors.

Rationale for the change:
This change provides the committee a year to work reviewing possible candidates. By reducing the size of the committee deliberation during the year remains much more manageable. Having the committee established by no later than the last day of the Annual Meeting allows for some time for committee members to contact persons attending the annual meeting face to face and for the committee to begin to solicit information on possible nominees for elected offices.

_______Approve  ________ Disapprove  _________Abstain

ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2. Council of Special Problems Divisions
Current wording of last sentence, first paragraph, is:
As provided in Article VI, Section 11, its members shall serve on the Nominations Committee.

Proposed wording:
As provided in Article VI, Section 11, the Chairperson of the Special Problems Divisions, and three to five Division Chairs shall serve on the Nominations Committee.

Rationale for the change:
To make the section consistent with changes in ARTICLE VI, SECTION 11 (a) proposed above.

_______Approve  ________ Disapprove  _________Abstain

ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6. Setting Mail Ballots for Membership
Current wording is:
With respect to the annual business meeting of the membership, sufficient time and a sufficiently large meeting hall will be provided so that the membership may review any and all appropriate aspects of the business of the Society. Upon a vote of twenty-five percent of the members at a meeting, any issue may be submitted to a web-ballot of the membership of the Society for final approval. The Board of Directors may also vote to submit any matter to a web-ballot.

Proposed wording:
In addition, at times other than the Annual Meeting, twenty-five or more members of the Society may submit a petition, bearing their signatures and sent by mail to the Executive Officer of the Society, that a motion or resolution be submitted to a web-ballot of the membership of the Society for final approval. The Board of Directors shall first consider this issue at its next regular meeting or, in the judgment of the President of the Society, it is of sufficient urgency, in a meeting to be conducted by electronic exchange. Approval of the motion or resolution by the Board will be considered final. If, however, the Board does not approve the motion or resolution, it shall submit it to web-ballot of the membership for final approval, together with its own recommendations and additional or alternative proposals it may wish to offer. The ballot shall be accompanied by statements in behalf of the contending positions. In all matters on which, according to these By-Laws, either the Board or the membership by web-ballot may act, and on which the vote of the membership and the Board disagree, the vote of the membership shall be final.

Proposed wording:
With respect to the annual business meeting of the membership, sufficient time and a sufficiently large meeting hall will be provided so that the membership may review any and all appropriate aspects of the business of the Society. Upon a vote of twenty-five percent of the members at a meeting, any issue may be submitted to a web-ballot of the membership of the Society for final approval. The Board of Directors may also vote to submit any matter to a web-ballot.

In addition, at times other than the Annual Meeting, twenty-five or more members of the Society may submit a petition, bearing their signatures and sent by mail to the Executive Officer of the Society, that a motion or resolution be submitted to a web-ballot of the membership of the Society for final approval. The Board of Directors shall first consider this issue at its next regular meeting or, in the judgment of the President of the Society, it is of sufficient urgency, in a meeting to be conducted by electronic exchange. Approval of the motion or resolution by the Board will be considered final. If, however, the Board does not approve the motion or resolution, it shall submit it to web-ballot of the membership for final approval, together with its own recommendations and additional or alternative proposals it may wish to offer, and establish an expedited timetable of no less than two weeks for the vote if time is of the essence for the Society to address an issue in a timely and effective manner. The ballot shall be accompanied by statements in behalf of the contending positions. In all matters on which, according to these By-Laws, either the Board or the membership by web-ballot may act, and on which the vote of the membership and the Board disagree, the vote of the membership shall be final.

Rationale for the change:
The SSSP is more than an organization of scholars and students who conduct research and publish articles and books on social justice issues. It is also an organization of practitioners and scholars and students who are also community activists. It is an organization that strives to make a difference in the lives of people who do not have the resources to fend for themselves alone. Therefore, on occasion the organization may need to act expeditiously on social justice matters in order to maximize its impact on an issue. Legislation with social justice implications coming up for a vote in a short period of time, for example, may require the organization to act more quickly than normal voting procedures allow, in order for the organization to make its informed position known to decision-makers in a timely fashion. The Bylaws Committee approved the recommendation.

_______Approve  ________ Disapprove  _________Abstain
Richard "Ricardo" A. Dello Buono
Position - President Elect, 2011-2012; President, 2012-2013

Current Position
Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Sociology, Manhattan College

Former Positions Held
Visiting Associate Professor of Sociology, New College of Florida, 2008-2009
Associate Professor of Sociology (tenured 1993), Dominican University, 1987-2005
Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology, Colgate University, 1986-1987

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., Social Economy and Social Justice, Boston College, 1986
M.A., Sociology, University of Maryland, 1980
B.A., Sociology and Anthropology, West Chester University, 1978

Major Publications
"Latin America and the Collapsing Ideological Supports of Neoliberalism," Critical Sociology, 37(1) 2011 pp. 1-17
Crisis, Politics and Critical Sociology (co-editor with Graham Cassano) Brill Academic Publishers 2010
Latin America after the Neoliberal Debacle (co-author with Ximena de la Barra), Rowman and Littlefield, 2008
Neoliberalismo y Luchas Sociales en América Latina [Neoliberalism and Social Struggles in Latin America], co-editor with José Bell Lara, Editorial Antropos, 2007
"Political Prisoners as an Emergent Contradiction of State Repression," (with Kathryn Stout) Humanity and Society, Vol 16, No. 4 (November) 1992 pp.338-49
"From Critique to Constructive Action: Concrete Steps Towards a More Progressive SSSP," The American Sociologist 1990 pp.337-41

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Fulbright Professor, University of Panama, 2001-2002
Excellence in Teaching Award, Dominican University, 1992-1993

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund Committee, 2007-2010
Chair, Global Division, 2005-2007
Vice-President, 2002-2003
Editor, SSSP Newsletter (SSSP Forum), 1993-1999
Program Committee, 1992-1993

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Critical Sociology, Latin American and Caribbean Editor/Editorial Board Member, 1992-current
American Sociological Association, Sections on Marxist Sociology; Political Economy of the World System, 1987-current
Caribbean Studies Association, Program Chair and Board Member, 1997-1998

Candidate Statement
Ever since I was a graduate student in the mid-1980s, I was drawn to the SSSP's commitment to scholarship in the pursuit of social justice. Over the years, I have been privileged to serve the association in various capacities, including on program committees, Editor of the SSSP Forum, and later as Vice-President of the Society. During the eight years I sat in on the Board of Directors, I became intimately familiar with the inner workings of SSSP decision-making and I have also worked closely with the Executive Office in organizing post-conference meetings and special sessions. In recent years, I have been privileged to serve in other capacities, such as the Global Division Chairperson and Chair of the Lee Scholar-Activist Support Fund Committee. The common thread to my over 25 years of involvement with the SSSP has been a commitment to broaden and deepen the critical, activist and global character of the Society. As President, I look forward to managing the ongoing initiatives of the Society and working to bolster the SSSP's unique position as the leading professional association of scholar-activists engaged in confronting social problems.

The opportunity to preside over an Annual Meeting here in New York City is also very exciting. In many ways, NYC is a microcosm of virtually all of the social problems contemplated by our association, ranging from hyper exploitation of immigrant groups to anti-gay hate crimes, just to name a few. Just as we provided an attractive target for the attacks of 9/11 almost a decade ago, some New Yorkers today seek to limit the number of mosques that dot the city. But NYC is also a living testimony to resilient community and social movement organizing from housing tenant cooperatives to Puerto Rican independence activists. As SSSP members, we share a commitment to learn from progressive activists and continue the traditions of critical scholarship developed by our founders. As an association, we must work harder to
inform successful strategies for overcoming problems as our distinctive contribution to building a better and more just society. If called to serve as SSSP president, these are precisely the principles that will guide my efforts.

Alison Griffith
Position - President Elect, 2011-2012; President, 2012-2013

Current Position
Professor, York University

Former Positions Held
Professor, York University, 2001-2011
Associate Professor, York University, 1996-2001
Assistant / Associate Professor, University of New Orleans, 1989-1996

Educational Degrees
PhD, University of Toronto, 1984
MA, University of British Columbia, 1978
BA, Simon Fraser University, 1974

Major Publications
"Mothering for schooling: Data dialogues." Ethnography in Education Conference, Facultad de Filosofia y Letras of the Universidad de Buenos Aires, Mar 19 - 21 2006
(with Daniel, Y.) "Institutional change and the principalship in an era of educational reform." *Canadian and International Education,* Vol. 33, No 1, June 2004 7-30
(with Reynolds, C.) *Education, equity and globalisation* Calgary: Teneron Press 2002

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Faculty of Graduate Studies Teaching Award (nomination for 2011), York University, 2011
Favourite Professor, Alumni Association, University of New Orleans, 1995

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
International Fellowship Committee/ Transnational Committee,
2008-2011
Board of Directors, 2007-2010
Mentor, 2006-2010
Chair, Institutional Ethnography Division, 2005-2007

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Canadian Society for Studies in Education, member, 1982-2011
Canadian Sociology Association, member, 1982-2011

Candidate Statement
My life and academic career have spanned both sides of the Canada / USA border. So, too, my research crosses the disciplinary boundaries of education and sociology. These cross-'border' experiences have given me a broad and non-traditional perspective on national action, on research, and on international associations such as the SSSP. My interest in the position of President-Elect is grounded in my experience of being a scholar-activist in two nations as well as in my years of working on committees of the SSSP. I am committed to working with the membership of the SSSP to expand our capacity to act for social justice and equity from a trans-national perspective.

Tracy L. Dietz
Position - Vice-President Elect, 2011-2012; Vice-President, 2012-2013

Current Position
Administrative Associate Dean for Assessment and Academic Reporting, College of Business, University of North Texas

Former Positions Held
Coordinator, Assessment and Accreditation, Office of the Provost, University of Central Florida, 2006-2009
Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Central Florida, 2003-2006
Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, University of Central Florida, 1997-2003

Educational Degrees
Ph.D. Sociology, University of North Texas, 1995
M.A., Sociology, University of North Texas, 1992
B.A. Sociology and Communications, Stephen F. Austin State University, 1990

Major Publications
Substance Misuse, Suicidal Ideation, and Suicide Attempts Among a National Sample of Homeless Journal of Social Service Research 2010 forthcoming
 Elders criminal victimization: Its relative rate compared to non-elders, 1992-2005 Social Science Journal 2009 435-468
 Drug and Alcohol Use among the Older Homeless: Predictors of Reported Current and Lifetime Substance Abuse Problems in a National Sample Journal of Applied Gerontology 2009 235-255
 Predictors of Reported Current and Lifetime Substance Use Related Problems among a National Sample of Homeless Journal of Substance Use and Misuse 2007 1745-1766
 Domestic Violence Beliefs and Perceptions among College Students Violence and Victims 2006 783-799
 The Effect of Item Order on Reports of Intimate Partner Vio-
lence: An Examination of the Revised Conflict Tactics Scales
Social Science Research 2006 353-373
Age and Gender Differences and Predictors of Victimization of
the Homeless Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect 2005 37-60
The Unrelenting Significance of Minority Statuses: Gender, Eth-
tnicity, and Economic Attainment Since Affirmative Action So-
ciological Spectrum 2001 61-80
Disciplining Children: Characteristics Associated with the Use of
Corporal Punishment and Non-Violent Discipline Child Abuse
and Neglect 2000 1529-1542
An Examination of Violence and Gender Role Portrayals in
Video Games: Implications for Gender Socialization and Aggres-
sive Behavior Sex Roles 1998 425-442

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Award, University of Cen-
tral Florida, 2006
University Professional Service Award, University of Central
Florida, 2005
Sociological Spectrum Award for Most Outstanding Paper, Mid-
South Sociological Association, 2001

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
User's Guide Committee, 2009-current
Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee,
member/chair-elect, 2009-2012
Lee Student Support Fund Committee Chair Elect/Chair, 2008-
2010
Board of Directors, 2005-2008
C. Wright Mills Award Committee, member, 2006-2007

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Southwestern Social Science Association, General Program
Chair, 2007-current
Southwestern Social Science Association, Executive Council,
2007-current
Southwestern Sociological Association, Second Vice-President
Elect--Past-President, 2001-2006

Candidate Statement
I am interested in this position primarily because I am committed
to SSSP and its mission. I joined SSSP as a master’s student
about 20 years ago and have attended almost every meeting
since. I found SSSP to represent my interests as a sociologist, a
scholar, and as a person. In those early, formative years, I felt
welcomed at the meetings. I did not feel as if I were a name
badge walking through a sea of other name badges discounted
because I had not yet published a notable book. Further, I felt that
SSSP welcomed people of all backgrounds and interests. When
SSSP announced that it would offer sustaining memberships, I
did not hesitate. I became a sustaining member of the organiza-
tion and have been active on many committees because the or-
ganization is committed to welcoming new members regardless
of their station in life and regardless of where they may be in
their career. This was important to me. It continues to be impor-
tant to me, especially now that I find myself in the unlikely posi-
tion of being employed in a College of Business. While many
might find my position a curious one for a sociologist, I have
discovered my skills to be very useful and welcomed in the set-
ing. Further, the UNT College of Business not only encourages
my continued scholarship but also supports community activism.
Thus, the current position aligns very well with SSSP. My goal
for this position would be to grow SSSP by promoting those
qualities that have made SSSP the very special organization that
it is. Thank you for considering me for this position.

Stephani Williams
Position - Vice-President Elect, 2011-2012; Vice-President,
2012-2013

Current Position
Lecturer, Northern Arizona University

Former Positions Held
Academic Professional, Arizona State University, 1999-2006

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., Arizona State University, 2000
MA, Arizona State University, 1991
BA, Northern Arizona University, 1988

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Most Inspirational Faculty, ICA - Arizona State University, 2005
-2006
Centennial Award Nominee, Arizona State University, 2004-
2005
Last Lecture Series Award Nominee, Co-Curricular Activities
Board - Arizona State University, 2003-2004

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Chair, Council of the Special Problems Divisions, 2009-2012
Board of Directors, voting, ex-officio, 2009-2012
Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, 2008-2011
Chair, Division of Sport, Leisure, & the Body, 2008-2009
Committee on Committees, 2005-2008

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Pacific Sociological Association, Membership Committee, Racial
and Ethnic Minorities Committee, 2005-2008

Candidate Statement
Since joining the SSSP in 2001, I have been a committed and
enthusiastic member. I have served in whatever capacity has been
needed, beginning as a newsletter editor for the Racial & Ethnic
Minorities Division. Since that time I have served in a number of
capacities, including as Chair of two divisions, helping to create
the Division of Sport, Leisure, and the Body. I believe this or-
ganization is the most dynamic professional organization. It is my
pleasure to serve this organization to continue the tradition of
professionalism, integrity, fiscal responsibility, and inclusiveness.
If elected to the position of Vice President, I will fulfill my obli-
gations with dedication and enthusiasm.

Glenn W. Muschert
Position - Secretary, 2011-2012

Current Position
Associate Professor of Sociology, Miami University

Former Positions Held
Assistant Professor of Sociology, Miami University, 2003-2009
Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology, Purdue University,
2002-2003
Graduate Instructor, University of Colorado, 1996-2000
Educational Degrees
PhD - Sociology, University of Colorado, 2002
BS - International Area Studies, Drexel University, 1992

Major Publications
The Columbine Effect and School Anti-Violence Policy. (with AA. Peguero) Research in Social Problems & Public Policy 2010
Frame-Changing in the Media Coverage of a School Shooting: The Rise of Columbine as a National Concern Social Science Journal 2009 164-170
Research in School Shootings Sociology Compass 2007 60-80
Self-Affirmation through Death: A Contribution to the Sociology of Suicide through Literature Sociological Inquiry 2006 297-315

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
SSSP Secretary, 2010-current
Justice 21 Committee Member (chair since 2008), 2004-current
SSSP Program Committee Chair, 2009-2010
Chair, Division on Crime and Juvenile Delinquency, 2007-2009
Chair, Division on Teaching Social Problems, 2004-2006

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Society of Criminology, 2002-current
American Sociological Society, 1994-current

Candidate Statement
Dear Colleagues,

I have served as Secretary of the SSSP since 2010, and I would be honored to continue service in that role. I gladly accept the nomination to run for Secretary of the SSSP. If re-elected, I would gladly serve the Society, in order to accurately record the events taking place at SSSP meetings.

Regarding my involvement in the Society, I first joined the SSSP in 1996 and am now a Sustaining Member. I consider the SSSP my core professional association, and this commitment to the Society has translated into my frequent service roles. These roles include Justice 21 Committee chair, 2010 Program Committee Chair, and chair of two divisions: Teaching Social Problems (2004-2006) and Crime & Juvenile Delinquency (2007-2009).

Thank you for considering me for this position.

Sincerely, Glenn W. Muschert

Susan M. Carlson
Position - Treasurer, 2011-2012

Current Position
Associate Professor, Western Michigan University

Former Positions Held
Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, 1990-1993
Lecturer, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, 1988-1990

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., Florida State University, 1987

Major Publications
"Unemployment, Imprisonment and Social Structures of Accumulation: Historical Contingency in the Rusche-Kirchheimer Hypothesis." (Raymond J. Michalowski and Susan M. Carlson) Criminology 1999 217-50
"Crime, Unemployment, and Social Structures of Accumulation: An Inquiry into Historical Contingency." (Susan M. Carlson and Raymond J. Michalowski) Justice Quarterly 1997 101-33

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Award for Outstanding Graduate Teaching, Graduate Student Union, Department of Sociology, Western Michigan University, 2006
Alfred R. Lindesmith Award, Law and Society Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems, 1995
Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Mentoring, Graduate Student Union, Department of Sociology, Western Michigan University, 2007, 2009
SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Treasurer, 2009-current
Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee
(Member, Chair 2008-09), 2006-2009
Treasurer, 2003-2006
Investment Advisor, Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, 1996-2006
Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee (Member, Chair 1995-96), 1993-1996

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Union for Radical Political Economics (URPE), Member, 2000-current
American Society of Criminology (ASC), Member, 1992-current

Candidate Statement
Since 1993, I have served on the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee in four capacities: elected member, elected chair, Board-appointed Investment Advisor, and Treasurer (current). During my tenure with the Committee, I provided leadership in moving the Society’s reserve funds from investments made through Merrill Lynch into socially responsible investments: socially-responsible mutual funds (presently the Pax World Balanced and Parnassus Income Equity Funds) and certificates of deposit with community development financial institutions that serve impoverished communities, currently the Self-Help Credit Union in North Carolina, Winthrop Federal Credit Union in Massachusetts, and the HOPE Community Credit Union in Mississippi. The income derived from these investments is used to fund the minority scholarship, annual awards, and other Society expenses. In my continuing position as treasurer, I will provide leadership on financial matters during these challenging economic times. Specifically, I will work closely with the Executive and Administrative Officers to locate potential sources of external funding for new and existing initiatives. In addition, I will seek to safeguard the financial health of the SSSP, and to ensure that the Society’s reserve funds are invested in a manner consistent with the financial and social objectives of the SSSP investment policy, and the values of the Society’s members.

John G. Dale
Position - Board of Directors, 2011-2014

Current Position
Assistant Professor of Sociology; Affiliate Faculty, Institute for Conflict Analysis & Resolution; and Associate Faculty, Center for Global Studies, George Mason University

Former Positions Held
National Endowment for the Humanities Visiting Scholar, Columbia University, 2005
Lecturer of Sociology, California State University, East Bay, 1998-2005
Lecturer of Sociology, San Francisco State University, 2000-2001

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, Davis, 2003
M.A., Sociology, The New School for Social Research, Graduate Faculty of Political and Social Sciences, 1991
B.A., Sociology (with Alpha Kappa Delta honors), Wheaton College (Wheaton, IL), 1987

Major Publications
"Legal Pluralism within a Transnational Network of Governance: The Extraordinary Case of Rendition" (with Tony Roshan Samar) Law, Social Justice, and Global Development, Vol. 12, No.2 (Winter), Special Issue on Legal Pluralism. 2008 Available at http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/law/elj/lgd/
"Democratizing the Production of Human Rights in Burma" Global Studies Review, Vol. 6, No. 3 (Fall, 2010) Global Studies Review, Vol. 6, No. 3 (Fall) 2010 Available at http://www.globality-gmu.net/archives/2303

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Faculty Research Grant, for project titled, “‘Just Practicing’ The Transnational Production of Human Rights in Burma.”, Center for Global Studies, George Mason University, 2010-2011
University Teaching Excellence Award, Finalist, George Mason University, 2009-2010
Fenwick Fellowship, for project titled, "Transnational Justice and Legal Discourse in the Making of Extraordinary Rendition." George Mason University, 2007-2008

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Transnational Initiative Committee, 2010-2011
Chair of the Global Division, 2009-2011
Executive Committee Member, SSSP, Global Division, 2005-2011
Candidate Statement
I have been a member of the SSSP for 13 years. During that time, I have presented numerous papers, and have organized many panels and thematic sessions for our annual meetings. Since 2005, I have served continuously on the Global Division's Executive Committee, and have served on both its undergraduate and graduate student paper award committees. I also instituted the Best Book on Global Issues Award, which already has established a significant reputation for recognizing cutting-edge research on globalization. I am currently completing an elected two-year term as the Chair of the Global Division.

As a member of the Board of Directors, I would contribute my experience and leadership within the SSSP toward fostering our organization's new "transnational initiative." I would like to expand our public influence and membership, as well as our scope and perspective on social problems. I want to work with all of our Division Chairs to facilitate collaboration on sessions that encourage innovative transnational research and promote expanding beyond our discipline an audience for our research on social problems. In short, I will work to promote a more transnational public sociology in which the SSSP becomes recognized as a respected and influential organization.

Marlese Durr
Position - Board of Directors, 2011-2014
Current Position
Professor of Sociology, Wright State University

Educational Degrees
Ph.D, University at Albany, 1993
M.A.in Sociology and M.A. in African American Studies, University at Albany, 1985, 1979
B.S., University of Detroit/University at Albany, 1978

Major Publications
Small Town Life: A Study in Race Relations Ethnography, Sage 2010 127-143
Sex, Drugs, and HIV: Sisters of the Laundromat. Gender & Society, Vol.20 N0.10 2005 2-8


SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Division Chair of Racial and Ethnic Minorities, 2010-2012
Chair of Erwin O. Smigel Award, 2006-2008
Advisory Editor, Social Problems, 2005-2008
Member of C. Wright Mills Award Committee, 2006-2007

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
International Sociological Association, Member, 2007-current
Law & Society Association, Member, 2005-current
American Sociological Association, Member, 1999-current

Candidate Statement
My goal as a member of the Board of Directors is continue working to make racial/ethnic diversity an on-going and ever-constant issue within our association, but also to grow SSSP.

Alfred Louis Joseph
Position - Board of Directors, 2011-2014
Current Position
Associate Professor, Miami University

Former Positions Held
Assistant Professor, Miami University, 1994-2000

Educational Degrees
PhD, Ohio State University, 1995
MSW, Ohio State University, 1989
BA, Ohio State University, 1979

Major Publications
School Social Workers and a Renewed Call to Advocacy Journal article / Lyceum Books. Inc. 2010 1-20
Poverty and Education book chapter/ Routledge 2009 138-149
School Social Workers' Perception of Graduate Education journal article/NASW Press 2006 97-105

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Elections Committee Chair, 2009-2010

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), member, 1998-current
Baccalaureate Program Director, member, 1996-current
Candidate Statement

My association with SSSP began shortly after I attained my PhD. Of all the organizations with which I have been associated, SSSP has contributed most to my development as an activist/scholar. Serving in this capacity would be an honor and a privilege as I seek to strengthen the organization. It is my way of paying back for all I have received.

Elisabeth A. Sheff
Position - Board of Directors, 2011-2014

Current Position
Assistant Professor, Georgia State University, Atlanta

Former Positions Held
Lecturer, University of Montana, Missoula, 2003-2004
Instructor, University of Colorado, Boulder, 1998-2003

Educational Degrees
PhD, University of Colorado, Boulder, 2005
BA, California State University, Sonoma, 1994

Major Publications
The Reluctant Polyamorist: Auto-ethnography in Sexualized Settings Sex Matters, Pearson, Allyn, and Bacon 2007
Poly-Hegemonic Masculinities Sexualities, 9(5) 2006 621-642
Polyamorous Women, Sexual Subjectivity, and Power Journal of Contemporary Ethnography, 34(3) 2005 251-283
Same-Sex Marriage, Polyamorous Families, and the Slippery Slope Journal of Contemporary Ethnography 2011 Forthcoming
The Privilege of Perversities: Race, Class, and Education Among Polyamorists and Kinksters Psychology & Sexuality 2011 Forthcoming

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Research Initiation Grant, $10,000, Overlapping Sexual Identities, Georgia State University, 2005-2006
First Place, Graduate Student Paper Competition, Family Division, SSSP, 2004
Graduate Student Paper Competition, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division, SSSP, 2002

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Chair, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division, 2008-2010
Chair, Graduate Student Paper Competition Committee, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division, 2008
Member, Graduate Student Paper Competition Committee, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division, 2006

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Sociologists for Women in Society, Multiple committee chairships and memberships, 2001-2008
Southern Sociological Society, Membership Committee and Status of Women Committee member, 2007

Candidate Statement

While in graduate school, I often encountered either censor or condescending titillation from colleagues in more traditional areas of Sociology. In 2001 I presented at my first SSSP conference and was pleasantly surprised by the open-minded audience and fascinating presentations of other scholars. Finding colleagues who took me seriously as a scholar and had the requisite background to effectively assess my work was tremendously refreshing. Since then, my involvement in SSSP has grown to include years of presentations at annual meetings (2001 to 2010), winning first place in two graduate student paper competitions (Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division, 2002 and Family Division, 2004), serving on graduate student paper competition committees, and chairing the Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division paper competition committee in 2008, and chairing the SBPC Division from 2008 to 2010. During my years of involvement, SSSP members have provided me support, expertise, and collegiality, and I would like to reciprocate by offering my service to the organization.

My initial positive experience with SSSP as a graduate student was vital to my continued involvement in the society, which has become my disciplinary home. For SSSP to flourish as an organization, we must continue to cultivate strong relationships with emerging scholars. By fostering early scholars’ careers and supporting cutting edge research that might be marginalized by other elements of the discipline, we can establish a strong base upon which to build lasting organizational ties. Cultivating connections with scholars early in their careers also enlivens established scholars’ intellectual journeys by introducing new ideas and creating a situation in which they can mentor the novice scholars. Were I elected to the Board of Directors, I would seek to strengthen the Society’s connections with emerging scholars by: planning and advertising conference sessions that appeal to graduate students as presenters and audience members; advertising the student paper competitions more widely; cultivating graduate student leaders’ connections with SSSP in my own department; utilizing my network of personal contacts to encourage their graduate students to connect with SSSP; facilitating mentoring by pairing emerging scholars who seek advice with established scholars who volunteer to provide it; and advertising SSSP through other, interdisciplinary organizations in which I am involved such as PolyResearchers and the Community Academic Consortium for Research on Alternative Sexualities (CARAS). SSSP is already a force in the discipline of Sociology, one that routinely draws attention to issues of diversity and social justice. We can continue to increase our efficacy in these areas, and influence in general, by widening our membership base among graduate students and fostering interdisciplinary connections. I would like to be part of that effort.

Jeremy Bennett
Position - Board of Directors: Student Representative, 2011-2013

Current Position
Research Assistant, Georgia State University

Former Positions Held
Sociology Instructor, Kaplan University, 2009-current
Sociology Instructor, DeVry University, 2009-current
Sociology Instructor, Strayer University, 2008-current
Educational Degrees
BA, University of Georgia
MBA/MS, Georgia State University
PhD in Progress, Georgia State University

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Invited Panel Member, Graduate Success Seminar, Georgia State University
Delta Epsilon Iota Academic Honor Society Award, Delta Epsilon Iota Academic Honor Society
Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges Award, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges,

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Georgia Sociological Association
American Sociological Association, Member in Organizations, Occupations and Work Section
Southern Sociological Society, Member in Labor Concentration

Candidate Statement
My reason for becoming a sociologist was to better the world through social research. This matches up perfectly with SSSP's goal to promote "research on and serious examination of problems of social life." By doing this research we can help the world become a better place. My interest in this position is so that I can become even more integrated in this excellent organization and assist with these goals.
To learn more about me and possibly send me further questions please visit my website at www.JeremyBennett.net.

Patrick K. O'Brien
Position - Board of Directors: Student Representative, 2011-2013

Current Position
PhD Student, University of Colorado at Boulder

Former Positions Held
Student Forum Advisory Board, American Sociological Association, 2010-Current
Student Emergency Medical Services (SEMS), Board of Directors, The SEMS Organization, 2007-Current
Alpha Kappa Delta, Beta Chapter President, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2008-2010

Educational Degrees
PhD Sociology (In Progress), University of Colorado at Boulder, 2013
MA Sociology, Ohio University, 2006
BA Criminal Psychology, Ohio University, 2004

Major Publications

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Graduate Student Paper Award Winner, SSSP: Drinking & Drugs Division, 2010
United Government of Graduate Students, Instructor of the Year, University of Colorado, 2010
Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, University of Colorado, Department of Sociology, 2010

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Alpha Kappa Delta, International Honors Society, Vice-President, 2010-Current
American Sociological Association, Student Member, 2008-Current
Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, Student Member, 2007-Current

Candidate Statement
I am currently a doctoral student in Sociology at the University of Colorado at Boulder. My areas of interest include crime and deviance, drug use, social control, social psychology, and qualitative methods. I am currently a member of the ASA Student Forum Advisory Board. The board works together with ASA to foster graduate and undergraduate participation. We provide communication, outreach, and travel funding for students. The board also creates and conducts student oriented workshops, panels, and roundtables.

For three years I was UCB Chapter President for The International Sociology Honors Society, Alpha Kappa Delta. As president, I promoted membership and participation with AKD, reviewed and accepted new members, encouraged submission to AKD travel grants and paper competitions, and planned activities and events that included both graduate and undergraduate students. Since 2007 I have been on the Board of Directors of SEMS (Student Emergency Medical Services Foundation http://www.semsfoundation.org), a non-profit organization founded on using peer-to-peer strategies to diminish student drug-related health problems.

As a student member of the SSSP BOD, I would work hard to manage student affairs and concerns within SSSP. I have many years of experience in leadership positions within sociology and beyond. I have always sought to increase the level of undergraduate and graduate student involvement in SSSP divisions, encouraging membership, submission, and presentations. My research and teaching requires empathy towards diversity, a quality I bring to my leadership positions and interactions with colleagues, students, and friends. For any further information, please feel free to visit my academic website: www.patrickobrien.info.
Stephen J. Morewitz

Position - Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, 2011-2014

Current Position
Lecturer, California State University, East Bay

Former Positions Held
Lecturer, California State University, East Bay, 2004-current
President, Stephen J. Morewitz, Ph.D., & Associates, IL & CA, 1988-current

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., University of Chicago, 1983
A.M., College of William & Mary, 1978
A.B., College of William & Mary, 1975

Major Publications
Stalking and Violence: New Patterns of Obsession and Trauma Kluwer/Plenum 2003
Domestic Violence and Maternal and Child Health Springer Science+Business Media, Inc. 2004
Chronic Diseases and Health Care Springer Science+Business Media, LLC 2006
Aging and Chronic Disorders Springer Science+Business Media, LLC 2007
Obsession Encyclopedia of Criminology 2004
Conflict Management Encyclopedia of Police Science 2006
Stress: Coping Mechanisms Encyclopedia of Police Science 2006

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Outstanding Scholar Book Award, SSSP, Crime & Delinquency Division, 2004
Outstanding Scholar Book Award, SSSP, Crime & Delinquency Division, 2003
Top 10 Injury Research Poster, American Public Health Association, Injury Control & Emergency Health Services Division, 2000

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Chair, Law & Society Division, 2010-2012
Lee Founders Award Committee, 2006-2007
Social Action Award Committee, 2003-2004
Conference Arrangements Co-Chair, 2003-2004
Chair, Crime & Juvenile Delinquency Division, 2001-2003

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Society of Criminology, Member, 2010-current
Sigma Xi, Elected Member, 2000-current
Pi Gamma Mu, International Honor Society in Social Science, Elected Member, 2000-current

Candidate Statement
My goal is to serve the SSSP in any way possible. I consider the SSSP my intellectual home, and I am honored to serve in any capacity. My goal as a member of the Budget, Finance, & Audit Committee would be to ensure that the Society is following sound financial procedures.

Paul D. Steele

Position - Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, 2011-2014

Current Position
Professor of Sociology, Director, Center of Justice Studies, Morehead State University

Former Positions Held
Associate Professor of Sociology, University of New Mexico, 1986-2005
Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of New Mexico, 1979-1986
Associate Director, Center for Advanced Studies in Human Services, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 1977-1979

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., Sociology, University of Texas-Austin, 1975
M.A., Sociology, University of Texas-Austin, 1971
B.A., Sociology, Washington State University, 1969

Major Publications
"Poor Places: How Impoverished Neighborhoods Influence the Life Outcomes of Children in the United States" FORUM ON PUBLIC POLICY 2010 In Press
"The Labeling of Substance Abusers: Its Impact on Deviance Amplification and Normalization" SUBSTANCE ABUSE: FROM SPECTRUM DISORDER TO SOCIAL DIMENSIONS 2010 In Press
"Child Abuse Among marginalized Groups: Cultural and Governmental Influences on the Perpetuation of Sexual Maltreatment in American Indian Country" FORUM ON PUBLIC POLICY 2009 1-33
"Spatial Analysis of the Relationship between Sex Offender Residence and Treatment Service Availability" APPLIED GEOGRAPHY 2009 401-410
"Responding to Child Sexual Abuse in the United States: Facing Challenges in the Civil and Criminal Justice Systems." FORUM ON PUBLIC POLICY 2008 41-57
"The Differential Effects of Alcohol Consumption and Dependence on Adverse Alcohol-Related Consequences: Implications for the Workforce." ALCOHOL AND DRUG DEPENDENCE 1998 211-200
"Prevalence, Cost, and Characteristics of Employee Assistance Programs (EAPs) in the United States." AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PUBLIC HEALTH 1996 804-808
"Worker Assistance Programs and the Labor Process: Emergence and Development of the Employee Assistance Model." JOURNAL OF DRUG ISSUES 1995 423-450

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Oxford Roundtable Fellow, Oxford University, 2008-Current
Gunther Starkey Award for Teaching Excellence, University of New Mexico, 2002
Distinguished Visiting Scholar, Program on Alcohol and Occupational Health, New York State School on Industrial and Labor
Candidate Statement

If chosen to serve on the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee, I will work actively with the other members to fulfill the Committee's fiscal responsibilities to the Society. While the Society is currently in a solid financial position, I am particularly interested in investigating and implementing new and responsible strategies for increasing the Society's revenue stream. Building on our discussion at the Society's recent business meeting in Atlanta, it seems that our policies concerning membership fees and journal subscriptions, our traditional sources of revenue, could be finely tuned to produce some increased income for the Society without placing undue burdens on our members. However, addressing the Society's needs for substantial increases in revenue during the current difficult economic conditions could require new investment and marketing strategies. My hope, if elected, is to make a meaningful contribution to planning for our future financial well-being, in concert with other Committee members, our officers, and with the membership of the Society.

Kathleen Asbury

Current Position
Adjunct Professor, Community College of Philadelphia

Former Positions Held
Adjunct Professor, Peirce College, 2005-current
Adjunct Professor, Rutgers University Camden NJ, 1998-current
Adjunct Professor, Thomas Edison State College, 1998-current

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., Temple University, 1997
M.A. Applied Sociology, Temple University, 1990
B.A., Temple University, 1987

Candidate Statement

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the SSSP in the few capacities I have had the honor to serve. I think the committee on committees would be a place where my extensive organizational skills could best be utilized.

Peter Conrad

Position - Committee on Committees, 2011-2014

Current Position
Harry Coplan Professor of Social Sciences, Brandeis University

Former Positions Held
Assistant Professor, Drake University, 1975-1978

Educational Degrees
Ph.D. Sociology, Boston University, 1976
A.M. Sociology, Northeastern University, 1970
A.B. Sociology, SUNY at Buffalo,

Major Publications
Handbook of Medical Sociology, 6 ed. (co-edited) Vanderbilt University Press 2010
The Medicalization of Society Johns Hopkins University Press 2007
Deviance and Medicalization (co-author) Temple University Press 1992
Having Epilepsy (co-author) Temple University Press 1983
"Estimating the Costs of Medicalization" (co-author) Social Science and Medicine 2010 1943-47
"From Lydia Pinkham to Queen Levitra" (co-author) Sociology of Health and Illness 2008 825-38
"The Shifting Engines of Medicalization" Journal of Health and Social Behavior 2005 3-12
"From Hyperactive Children to Adult ADHD" (co-author) Social Problems 2000 559-82
"A Mirage of Genes" Sociology of Health and Illness 1999 228-41
"Public Eyes and Private Genes" Social Problems 1997 101-16

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Lee Founders Award, SSSP, 2007
Leo Reeder Award, ASA, 2004
Charles Horton Cooley Award, SSSI

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
President, 1995-1996
Editorial and Publications Committee, 1989-1992
Board of Directors, 1984-1985
Co-chair Program Committee, 1981-1982
Membership Co-chair, 1977-1978

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Sociological Association, Chair, Medical Sociology Section, 1988-1989

Candidate Statement

I have been a member of the SSSP since 1969 and would be pleased to serve on the Committee on Committees to encourage others to become more involved in the organization.
Don Drennon Gala

Position - Committee on Committees, 2011-2014
Current Position
Asst. Professor, Martin Methodist College (TN)

Former Positions Held
Assoc. Professor, UNC-Fayetteville State Univ., 1996-1997
Asst. Professor, UNC-Fayetteville State Univ., 1995-1996
Instructor (Adjunct), Univ. of TN at Chattanooga, 1991-1992

Educational Degrees
M.A., University of Central Oklahoma, 1982
M.S.Ed., Warner Grad Sch., Univ. of Rochester, 1988
Ph.D., University of Rochester, 1994

Major Publications
Delinquency and high school dropouts: reconsidering social correlates Univ. Press of America (Rowan & Littlefield Press) 1995
Dispelling the myth of the relationship between multicultural attributes and disengagement in education Multicultural Learning and Teaching 2011 Forthcoming
Weapon of Choice The Correctional Trainer 2009 15-17
Certification of Correctional Trainers: A collaboration between IACTP and AJA The Correctional Trainer 2009 14-18
Attacks on free speech in academe The Chronicle of Higher Education 2001 B20-B21

Honors and other Professional Commendations
PI GAMMA MU, International Honor Society in Social Science, 1995-current
KAPPA DELTA PI, International Honor Society in Education, 1989-current
ALPHA PHI SIGMA, National Criminal Justice Honor Society, 1982-current

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Lee Founders Award Committee, 2008-2010

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Society of Criminology, Member, 1984-current
American Sociological Association, Member, 1984-current
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Member; Affirmative Action Committee (2008-09), 1982-current

Candidate Statement
It is an honor to have each member of the Society for the Study of Social Problems to consider me for this position. The genesis of my involvement with the Society began after my retirement from federal service after 28-years, which is when I became involved with the Lee Founders Award Committee. My involvement with this Committee spurred my interest to have an opportunity to assist and serve the Society in a greater way in the future. With your vote I will be able to have an opportunity to enlarge my service to the membership of this Society and assist in attaining the goals and objectives set-forth by the leadership of the Society for the Study of Social Problems.

Other than my skills and knowledge, one of my greatest strengths that I bring to the membership and this position is my ability to work as a team member within groups. As indicated by my military service, or while working as a federal law enforcement officer and treatment specialist, or as a member of a certification commission, or member of a Board of Directors of a professional organization, or my present position within a college, the history of successes while working within a team is indisputable. It is without saying that I consider working within a team with other professionals an essential key to these and any successes experienced in the past. People who know me are aware of my strong commitment as a strong team player toward accomplishing the goals and objectives that are placed before us. As such, I ask for your vote to allow me an opportunity to serve you as a member of the Committee on Committees.

Lloyd Klein

Position - Committee on Committees, 2011-2014
Current Position
Adjunct Professor, Sociology, St Francis College

Former Positions Held
Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice, Gramling State University, 2006-2007
Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice, Bemidji State University, 2004-2006
Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice, Louisiana State University, Shreveport, 2000-2004

Educational Degrees
Ph. D., Sociology, CUNY Graduate School, 1993
M.A., Sociology, Brooklyn College, CUNY, 1977
B.A., Sociology, Queens College, CUNY, 1974

Major Publications
Assessing Humanist Criminology as a Catalyst for Change in the Criminal Justice Apparatus The American Sociologist 2002
It's in the Cards: Consumer Credit and the American Experience Praeger 1999
Big Brother is Still Watching You: The Revival of Surveillance Programs Against American Citizens Free Inquiry in Creative Sociology 1992
Not in My Backyard: The Impact of Community Sentiment Against Parolee Placement Perspectives 1990
Sex Solicitation by Short Wave Radio Free Inquiry in Creative Sociology 1981
SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Member and Chair, Committee on Committees, 2008-2010
Chair, Law and Society Division, 2006-2008
Chair, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division, 2004-2006
Chair, Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division, 1999-2001
Chair, Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities Division, 1996-1998

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Sociological Association, Council, Marxist Sociology Section, 2007-2010
American Sociological Association, Council, Marxist Sociology Section, 2002-2005
American Society of Criminology, Member, Constitution and By-Laws Committee, 2003-2004

Candidate Statement
I recently completed a three-year term serving on this committee with two years as the committee chair. I am honored that the Board of Directors has chosen to nominate me for another term. I will continue the same dedication and diligent work as evidenced during the past three years. Prior service with the SSSP has included serving on several committees along with chairing three social problems divisions. The SSSP has been an important part of my professional life and I hope to offer continued service in various capacities.

Stephen Couch
Current Position
Director of Academic Affairs, Penn State Schuylkill Campus

Former Positions Held
Professor of Sociology, Penn State, 1994-current
Asst., Assoc. Prof. of Sociology, Penn State, 1979-1994
Social Science Analyst, Smithsonian Institution, 1975-1979

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., SUNY Binghamton, 1979
M.A., Oberlin College, 1973
B.Mus., Oberlin College, 1970

Major Publications
Couch and Kroll-Smith, The Chronic Technical Disaster: Toward a Social Scientific Perspective Social Science Quarterly 1985 564-575
Couch and Kroll-Smith: Environmental Controversies, Interac-
tional Resources, and Rural Communities: Siting Versus Ex-
sure Disputes Rural Sociology 1994 25-44
Couch and Mercuri, Toxic Water and the Anthill Effect: The De-
velopment of a Subculture of Distress in a Once-Contaminated Community Research in Social Problems and Public Policy 2007 117-137
Couch and Coles, Community Stress, Psychosocial Hazards and EPA Decision-Making in Communities Impacted by Chronic Technological Disasters American Journal of Public Health 2011

Couch and Kroll-Smith (eds.), Communities At Risk: Collective Responses to Technological Hazards Peter Lang 1991

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Commonwealth Speaker, Pennsylvania Humanities Council, 2006-2008
Commencement Speaker, Penn State Harrisburg Campus, 1999
Commonwealth Speaker, Pennsylvania Humanities Council, 1996-1998

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Ex-Officio Member, Editorial and Publications Committee, 1999-2005
Editor, Social Problems Forum, 1999-2005
Ex-Officio Member, Board of Directors, 1999-2005
Chair, Environment and Technology Division, two times, 1994-1996

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Sociological Association, Council, Section on Environment and Technology, 1999-2002
Sociological Practice Association, Board of Directors, 1999-2002

Candidate Statement
I am honored to have been nominated to run for election to the Editorial and Publications Committee. Having sat on the Committee for six years in an ex-officio capacity while editing Social Problems Forum, I know how the Committee operates in overseeing the operations of SSSP publications. I would welcome the opportunity to serve on the Editorial and Publications Committee during a very fluid period in the publishing industry, where rapid change offers both challenges and opportunities. My priorities would be to keep the excellent quality of SSSP publications, to take advantage of technological changes while not being driven by those changes, and to achieve these goals in a fiscally responsible.

Nancy C. Jurik
Current Position
Professor, Arizona State University

Former Positions Held
Director Graduate Programs, Arizona State University, 2005-2008

Educational Degrees
PhD in Sociology, Univ of Calif., Santa Barbara, 1980
MA Sociology, Southern Methodist University, 1975
BA Sociology, Southern Methodist University, 1973
Major Publications
Bootstrap Dreams: US Microenterprise Development in an Era of Welfare Reform Cornell University Press 2005 "Doing Gender" as Canon or Agenda. (w/Cynthia Siemsen) 2009 Gender & Society. 23:72-75
Diversity n Blue: Lesbian and Gay Police Officers in a Masculine Occupation (with Susan Miller and Kay Forest) 2004 Jml of Men and Masculinities 5:355-385.

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Distinguished Faculty, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences - Arizona State University, 2009-current
Myers Center Book Award for Doing Justice Doing Gender 1st edition, Myers Center Book Award for the Study of Human Rights in North America , Boston University, 1997
Award for Outstanding Mentoring to Graduate Students, ASU Graduate Student Association, 1995-1996

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Member Permanent Organization & Strategic Planning Committee, 2003-2006 and 2007-2010
Chair Permanent Organization & Strategic Planning Committee, 2004-2005
President SSSP, 2002-2003
Vice President SSSP, 2000-2001
Member SSSP Board of Directors, 1995-1998

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Sociologists For Women and Society, Editorial Board Member, 2007-current
Deputy Editor Feminist Criminology, Deputy Editor, 2008-2010
American Society of Criminology, Member Editorial Publications Committee, 1999-2000

Candidate Statement
I have been a member of SSSP and read Social Problems since graduate school days. My past record of service to SSSP has been a joy and a great learning opportunity. I have experience publishing in and working on sociology and interdisciplinary social science journals. If elected, I would work hard through my service to support Social Problems, The Social Problems Forum and other SSSP editorial and publication-related activities. I support continued efforts to maintain the fine reputation of our publica-

tions and to increase the representation of the varied methodologies, data, and theories that are included. This mission should continue efforts to include more comparative and international work in the journal.

JoAnn L. Miller
Current Position
Associate Dean, The College of Liberal Arts, and Professor of Sociology, Purdue University

Former Positions Held
Fellow, Sociology and Law, Harvard Law School, 1999-2000
Visiting Scholar, University of Indonesia, 1991
Assistant Professor of Sociology, Purdue University, 1984-1990

Educational Degrees
PhD, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, 1984
MA, The College of William and Mary, 1980
BA, Keene State College (NH), 1978

Major Publications
Problem Solving Courts. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield. 2009 277 pp
Intimate Violence Perceptions: Young Adults' Judgments of Abuse Escalating from Verbal Arguments." The Journal of Interpersonal Violence 2001 16: 133-150
"Women Are Teachers, Men Are Professors: A Study of Student Perceptions." Teaching Sociology 2000 28: 283-298
"Factors Related to Family Therapists Breaking Confidence When Clients Disclose High Risks to HIV/AIDS." Journal of Marital and Family Therapy 1998 24: 457-472
"Variation in Judgments of Criminal Sanctions: An Application of 'Schema Theory.' Sociological Focus 1994 27: 257-279

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Departmental Award, College of Liberal Arts Teaching Excellence, Purdue University, 2005-2006
Appointed Editor, Contemporary Sociology, American Sociological Association, 2001-2005
Agenda For Social Justice, 2004 Nominated for Sidney Hillman Foundation Award, Sidney Hillman Foundation, 2004

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
President Elect/President, 2008-2010
Secretary, 2004-2008
Program Committee Chair (twice, for 2000 and 2007 Meetings), 2000-2007
Board of Directors, 2002-2004
Chair, Law and Society Division, 1996-1998

**Professional Affiliations other than SSSP**
American Sociological Association, Member, 1984-Current

**Candidate Statement**
*Social Problems* is a journal that makes the best social science work accessible to academics, graduate students, and practitioners in sociology and in other fields. It is highly regarded because editors and their editorial boards, over the years, have been carefully selected to represent a broad range of interests and specialty fields. I had the privilege of working as the Associate Editor when Robert Perrucci was the editor of *Social Problems*. We shared editorial decisions and faced all the challenges that the very best journals encounter. Also with Robert Perrucci, I was the editor of *Contemporary Sociology* for five years. That experience included careful budget work as well as editorial work. If elected to the committee, I would attend all meetings. I would work to advance the mission of the journal and to support the editorial office.

**Vicki Smith**

**Position - Editorial and Publications Committee, 2011-2014**

**Current Position**
Professor and Chair, Sociology, University of California, Davis

**Former Positions Held**
Associate Professor, Sociology, University of California, Davis, 1994-2000
Assistant Professor, Sociology, University of Pennsylvania, 1988-1994
Lecturer, Sociology, UC Davis & UC Berkeley, 1987-1988

**Educational Degrees**
Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 1987
MA, Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 1981
BA, Sociology, University of California, Santa Cruz, 1978

**Major Publications**
THE GOOD TEMP (with Esther Neuwirth) Cornell University/ILR Press 2008
CROSSING THE GREAT DIVIDE: WORKER RISK AND OPPORTUNITY IN THE NEW ECONOMY Cornell University/ILR Press 2001
"Shift Work and Multiple Time Zones: Some Implications of Contingent and Nonstandard Employment for Family Life" In AT THE HEART OF WORK AND FAMILY/in honor of Arlie Hochschild (Hansen and Garey, eds.) 2010
"Teamwork vs. Tempwork: Managers and the Dualisms of Workplace Restructuring" WORKING IN RESTRUCTURED WORKPLACES (Campbell, Cornfield, and McCammon, eds.) 2001 7-28

"The Fractured World of the Temporary Worker" SOCIAL PROBLEMS 1998 Vol. 45, No. 4: 411-30
"Employee Involvement, Involved Employees" SOCIAL PROBLEMS 1996 Vol. 43, No. 2: 166-79
MANAGING IN THE CORPORATE INTEREST University of California Press 1990

**Honors and other Professional Commendations**
Distinguished Publication Award for CROSSING THE GREAT DIVIDE, Labor Studies Division, SSSP, 2002
Distinguished Publication Award for "The Fractured World of the Temporary Worker", Labor Studies Division, SSSP, 1999
Braverman Award for "Restructuring Management and Managing Restructuring", Labor Studies Division, SSSP, 1987

**SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions**
Editorial Board, SOCIAL PROBLEMS, 2006-2008
Chair-Elect & Chair, C. Wright Mills Award Committee, 2001-2003
Editorial Board, SOCIAL PROBLEMS, 1999-2002
Member, C. Wright Mills Award Committee, 1997-1998
Chair, Labor Studies Division (elected), 1995-1997

**Professional Affiliations other than SSSP**
American Sociological Association, Committee on Nominations (elected), 2010-2012
Sociologists for Women in Society, Feminist Lectureship Award Committee, 2005-2007

**Candidate Statement**
I would be honored to serve the SSSP as a member of the Editorial and Publications Committee. I have a strong commitment to ensuring that the publications reflect the mission of the Society and the discipline and that they are open to the widest swath possible of the membership and to non-member sociologists. I have considerable experience working on editorial boards of sociology journals so have a good sense of the hard work, the organizational demands, and market logistics related to academic journals. I've also produced newsletters for a SSSP Division and an ASA Section.

**Kendal L. Broad**

**Position - Membership and Outreach Committee, 2011-2014**

**Current Position**
Associate Professor, University of Florida

**Former Positions Held**
Assistant Professor, University of Florida, 1998-2004

**Educational Degrees**
PhD, Washington State University, 1998
MA, Washington State University, 1993
BA, University of California, Santa Cruz, 1990

**Major Publications**
"Coming Out for Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and
"Doing Real Family Values: The Interpretive Practice of ‘Families’ in the GLBT Movement" The Sociological Quarterly 2004 509-527

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
SSSP Social Problems Theory Division, Outstanding Article Award Committee, 2008-2009
Program Committee, Section on Sexualities, ASA, 2005-2006

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, member, 2008-current
National Women’s Studies Association, member, 1998-current
American Sociological Association, member, 1998-current

Melinda J. Messineo
Position - Membership and Outreach Committee, 2011-2014
Current Position
Associate Professor, Sociology, Ball State University

Educational Degrees
PhD, University of California, Riverside, 2000

Major Publications
Letting Go: Overcoming Fear, Ego, and Other Barriers to Effective Teaching and Learning Sociological Focus 2010 185-192
Does Advertising on Black Entertainment Television Portray More Positive Gender Representations Compared to Broadcast Networks? Sex Roles 2008 752-764
Making Environmental Connections in Courses in the Humanities and Social Sciences Greening of The Campus Proceedings 2009 Digital File

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Outstanding Teaching Award, Ball State University, 2009
John H Schnabel Award- Distinguished Contribution to Teaching Award, North Central Sociological Association, 2009

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division Chair, 2006-2008

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Sociological Association, Teaching Section Elected Member, 2009-2012
North Central Sociological Association, Teaching Section Chair, 2009-2011

Candidate Statement
As part of the membership and outreach committee I will help maintain our strong base of members while reaching out to invite new members, particularly those outside of academia. We can build on our strong interdisciplinary background and demonstrate how we are inclusive, supportive and active.

Debora A. Paterniti
Position - Membership and Outreach Committee, 2011-2014
Current Position
Associate Adjunct Professor of Medicine & Sociology, UC Davis Center for Healthcare Policy & Research

Former Positions Held
Assistant Adjunct Professor of Medicine & Sociology, UC Davis, 2000-2006
Assistant Professor of Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine, 1997-2000
Lecturer/Health Policy Fellow, Yale University/Yale School of Medicine, 1995-1997

Educational Degrees
PHD (Sociology), UC Davis, 1995
MA (Sociology), UC Davis, 1989
BA (Sociology & Linguistics), UC Davis, 1985

Major Publications


Getting to "No": Strategies Physicians Use to Deny Patient Requests. Archives of Internal Medicine, 170(4) 2010 381-8.

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Distinguished Service to VA Health Services Research & Development., U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs., 2000-2005
Excellence in Service to Graduate Students., Graduate Student Association, UC Davis, -2003
University Teaching Award, UC Davis Graduate Division, -1991

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Committee on Committees, 2008-2011
Division Co-Chair Health, Health Policy & Health Services, 2004 -2006

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Sociological Association, Secretary/Treasurer-- Medical Sociology Section, 2005-2007
American Sociological Association, Nominations Committee-- Medical Sociology Section, 2002-2003
American Sociological Association, Council Member at Large-- Medical Sociology Section, 1998-2000

Candidate Statement
I have been an active member of the SSSP for more than twelve years. My involvement in SSSP has included a wide range of
activities from presenting papers and organizing sessions to my service as a division co-chair. As someone who works in both academic and applied contexts and who has over a decade of inter-disciplinary collaboration, I truly appreciate the richness in our organization's membership and value its history of active attention to social problems. I appreciate the organization's openness to graduate students, community organizers, academic faculty and practitioners of sociology, and I am committed to helping to maintain a membership that is diverse. I look forward to the possibility of working as part of the Membership and Outreach Committee to ensure the continued richness of the SSSP.

Deana Rohlinger

Position - Membership and Outreach Committee, 2011-2014
Current Position
Associate Professor, Florida State University

Former Positions Held
Assistant Professor, Florida State University, 2004-2010

Educational Degrees
Ph.D., University of California-Irvine, 2004
M.A., University of California-Irvine, 1999
M.A., California State University-San Bernardino, 1998

Major Publications
Framing Faith: Explaining Cooperation and Conflict in the U.S. Conservative Christian Political Movement (with Jill Quadagno) Article. Social Movement Studies 2009 341-358
"Democracy, Action and the Internet after 9/11" (with Jordan Brown) Article. American Behavioral Scientist 2009 133-150
Friend and Foe: Media, Politics, and Tactics in the Abortion War Article. Social Problems 2006 537-561
Framing the Abortion Debate: Organizational Resources, Media Strategies, and Movement-Countermovement Dynamics Article. Sociological Quarterly 2002 479-507
Eroticizing Men: Cultural Influences on Advertising and Male Objectification Article. Sex Roles 2002 61-74
Framing Social Security Rights (with Jill Quadagno) Book Chapter in Public Sociologies edited by J. Blau and K. Smith 2006 123-136
Social Psychological Perspectives on Crowds and Social Movements (with David Snow) Book Chapter in Handbook of Social Psychology: Sociological Perspectives edited by J. DeLamater 2003 503-527

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Graduate Student Mentorship Award, Sociology Graduate Student Union at Florida State University, 2009-2010
University Teaching Award, Florida State University, 2006-2007
J. Michael ‘Best’ Teacher Award, Department of Sociology at Florida State University, 2005-2006

SSSP Offices, Committee Membership, and Positions
Mentor in the Mentorship program, 2010-current
Advisory Editor for Social Problems, 2008-current

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
Sociology Compass: Social Movements, member of the editorial board, 2007-current
Mobilization: An International Journal of Research, member of the editorial board, 2006-current
Sociologists for Women in Society, member, 2005-current

Candidate Statement
I hope to bring my energy and enthusiasm for SSSP to the Membership & Outreach Committee. I am particularly interested in finding ways to introduce and involve undergraduate honors students and early graduate students in SSSP. Harnessing social media, listservs, and connecting professors teaching introductory courses with SSSP are three examples of ways that we can continue to grow the reputation and membership of the Society. SSSP is an amazing association with a vibrant membership and I would like to be a part of the effort to attract new members to our organization.

Jay Borchert

Position - Membership and Outreach Committee, 2011-2014
(Graduate Student Candidate)
Current Position
Doctoral Student - Sociology, University of Michigan

Former Positions Held
Research Assistant, Social Science Research Center at DePaul University, 2009-2010

Educational Degrees
BA Sociology - Summa Cum Laude, DePaul University, 2010

Honors and other Professional Commendations
Gamma Theta Upsilon, National Geography Honor Society, 2010 -Current
Alpha Kappa Delta, National Sociology Honor Society, 2010 -Current
Ronald E. McNair Scholar, DePaul University, 2008-2010

Professional Affiliations other than SSSP
American Sociological Association, Membership Outreach Committee, 2009 -Current

Candidate Statement
Not enough young social scientists know about SSSP. SSSP is a rigorous, yet welcoming environment for young social scientists to build networks and present their research findings as they proceed through their graduate programs. My presentation at the annual meeting last August was my first "real" national conference presentation. I learned a great deal and it was an excellent experience. Therefore, I would like to work to ensure a strong and vital membership by making new scholars aware of the good work that SSSP supports and by ensuring that SSSP stays on top
of the current technology in order to remain relevant.

**Lanre Ikuteyijo**  
**Position - Membership and Outreach Committee, 2011-2014**  
(Graduate Student Candidate)

**Current Position**  
Assistant Lecturer, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria

**Educational Degrees**  
M.Sc (Sociology and Anthropology), Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife Nigeria, 2008  
B.Sc (Sociology and Anthropology), Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife Nigeria, 2001

**Major Publications**  
Elderly prisoners and the Nigerian Criminal Justice System Indian Journal of Gerontology. Volume 23, No. 4 2009 517-528  

**Honors and other Professional Commendations**  
Post Graduate Scholarship and Graduate/Research Assistance-ship, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria, 2004-Current

**Professional Affiliations other than SSSP**  
International Sociological Association, member, 2009-Current  
Network of Migration Research in Africa, member, 2008-Current

**Candidate Statement**  
As a graduate student-member of the membership and outreach committee, I wish to help realize the laudable goals of the Society for the Study of Social Problems by sensitizing other graduate students on the benefits of joining the society. I also wish to represent the interest of all graduate students and work towards the propagation and realization of the ideals of the society especially pertaining to the mentorship of young scholars.
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

2011 JOSEPH B. GITTLER AWARD

Members of the Society are urged to submit the names of nominees for the 2011 Joseph B. Gittler Award.

Established in 2007 at the bequest of Joseph B. Gittler, this award is made in recognition of the significant scholarly achievements that a SSSP member has made in contributing to the ethical resolution of social problems.

PREVIOUS WINNERS

2010  Ellen Pence, Praxis International
2009  Gregory D. Squires, George Washington University
2008  Valerie Jenness, University of California, Irvine

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

The 2011 award will be presented at the 61st Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV, August 19-21, 2011. Nominations and supporting documents should be sent no later than April 15, 2011 to:

Dr. Leslie Hinkson, Chair
Department of Sociology
Georgetown University
P.O. Box 571037
Washington, DC 20057-1037
E-mail: lrh27@georgetown.edu

NOMINATION GUIDELINES

1. Any member of the Society may nominate one or more persons for the award. Members of the Joseph B. Gittler Award Committee are encouraged to nominate.

2. All nominations must be accompanied by supporting evidence sufficiently detailed for the committee to render a decision (e.g., a resume; media accounts of activist activities inspired by the nominee’s scholarly efforts, testimonials from grass roots organizations or advocacy agencies; or additional supporting description of the nominee’s work, demonstrating that the contributions meet the criteria for nomination). Please include supporting information not covered in a resume. List names of colleagues who would be willing and able to write supporting letters upon the request.

CRITERIA FOR THE JOSEPH B. GITTLER AWARD for the most scholarly contributions in the area of “Ethical Components in the Resolution of Social Problems”

1. The nominee must have been an active member of the Society for the Study of Social Problems for at least three years prior to receiving the award.

2. The nominee must have produced and disseminated scholarship promoting ethical solutions to social problems over the preceding three or more calendar years. Ethical solutions entail scholarship that promotes awareness and/or activism to increase public recognition that social problems and social injustices are ethical issues; and/or scholarship that identifies and promotes societal level responses to social problems and injustices. Scholarship may be undertaken from a wide variety of perspectives, including both applied research (qualitative or quantitative research) and normative work (e.g., argumentative, historical, philosophical, textual or theoretical analyses).
Nominations are now open for the 2011 Lee Founders Award. Members of the Society are urged to submit the names of nominees.

Established in 1981, this award is made in recognition of significant achievements that, over a distinguished career, have demonstrated continuing devotion to the ideals of the founders of the Society and especially to the humanist tradition of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee.

PREVIOUS WINNERS INCLUDE

2010  Thomas C. Hood, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
2009  John F. Galliher, University of Missouri
2008  David A. Snow, University of California, Irvine
2007  Peter Conrad, Brandeis University
2006  Barbara Katz Rothman, Baruch College, CUNY Graduate Center
2005  Robert Perrucci, Purdue University
2004  Mary A. Romero, Arizona State University
2003  Walda Katz-Fishman, Howard University and Project South: Institute for the Elimination of Poverty & Genocide
2002  Jerome Scott, Project South: Institute for the Elimination of Poverty & Genocide
2001  Thomas J. Scheff, University of California, Santa Barbara
2000  Valerie Jenness, University of California, Irvine
1999  Beth B. Hess, County College of Morris
1998  Norma Williams, University of Texas at Arlington
1997  Gary L. Albrecht, University of Illinois, Chicago
1996  John J. Kitsuse, University of California, Santa Cruz
1995  Irwin Deutscher, University of Akron
1994  No Winner Chosen
1993  Valerie Jenness, University of California, Irvine
1992  Irving Kenneth Zola, Brandeis University
1991  John B. Sussman, University of Delaware
1990  Richard Cloward, Columbia University
1989  Louis Kriesberg, Syracuse University
1988  Arlene Kaplan Daniels, Northwestern University
1987  James E. Blackwell, University of Massachusetts, Boston
1986  John Useem, SSSP Life Member
1985  Ruth Hill Useem, SSSP Life Member
1984  Eliot Liebow, National Institute of Mental Health
1983  Charles V. Willie, Harvard University
1982  S. M. Miller, Boston University
1981  Joan Moore, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

The 2011 award will be presented at the 61st Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV, August 19-21, 2011. Nominations and supporting documents should be sent no later than April 15, 2011 to:

Dr. Stephen J. Pfohl
Department of Sociology
Boston College
Chestnut Hill, MA 02167
Work: (617) 552-4135; E-mail: pfohl@bc.edu

CRITERIA FOR THE LEE FOUNDERS AWARD

1. The nominee must have been an active member of the Society for some years prior to receiving the award.
2. The nominee must have made significant achievements embodying the ideals of the founders of the Society. These achievements may be in the areas of scholarly research, teaching, or service leading to the betterment of human life. Nominees for the award must have demonstrated a commitment to social action programs that promote social justice.
3. The nominee’s achievements should reflect the humanistic tradition of sociology, as exemplified in the contributions of Alfred McClung Lee and Elizabeth Briant Lee, for whom the award is named.
4. The nominee’s achievements may be expressed in a body of work that provides understanding and insight for practical application and the development of social conflict, including one or more of the following.
   a. Studies of peace and war, ethnic and/or racial conflict and social movements.
   b. The role of mass media as related to social problems.
   c. The role of propaganda in the creation of and the persistence of social problems.
   d. The systematic study of social inequality (for example, problems of poverty, discrimination, racism, sexism and unequal distribution of wealth).
5. The achievements should include substantial community service at the local, state and/or national level.
6. It is assumed that the above achievements will have been accomplished by the nominees over a distinguished career and that they will reflect a long-term commitment to the ideals of the Lees.

GUIDELINES

1. Any member of the Society may nominate one or more persons for the award. Members of the Lee Founders Award Committee are encouraged to nominate.
2. All nominations must be accompanied by supporting evidence sufficiently detailed for the committee to render a decision (e.g., a resume; additional supporting description of the nominee’s work, demonstrating that the contributions meet the criteria for nomination). Please include supporting information not covered in a resume. List names of colleagues who would be willing and able to write supporting letters upon the request of the committee or include letters of support with your nomination.
Special Problem Division Mission Statements Updated

The SSSP Division Chairs have been updating the division introductory statements, which are posted on each division’s homepage. The statements provide current and potential members with a clear idea of what is unique about their division, i.e., what defines it, and the ways in which the division advances the cause of social justice central to its mission as a division and the SSSP’s as a whole. Check them out by visiting the Special Problems Division section of the SSSP website.
The Special Problems Divisions are pleased to announce the 2011 Student Paper Competitions and Outstanding Scholarship Awards. Please note each division has a unique deadline and submission process.

COMMUNITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
Deadline: 5/31/11
The Community Research and Development Division announces its 2011 Graduate Student Paper Competition. The goal is to encourage scholarly endeavors which enhance our understanding of issues affecting the community. Paper topics can focus on various aspects of the community including its capacity (i.e., social capital), development, renewal, and its relationship with other social issues or problems. Qualitative and quantitative empirical analyses and theoretical papers are welcome. To be eligible for submission, a paper must not be published or accepted for publication. Papers must be student-authored; they may be authored by a single student or co-authored by more than one student, but may not be co-authored by a faculty member or other non-student. Papers must not exceed 25 pages including all notes, references, and tables. To be considered for the award, the author must make a commitment to present the paper at a Community Research and Development Division session during the 2011 SSSP meeting. Send two copies of the paper and a cover letter specifying that the paper is to be considered in the Community Research and Development Division Graduate Student Paper Competition to: Dr. Andrea Leverentz, University of Massachusetts Boston, Department of Sociology, 100 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, MA 02125, Andrea.Leverentz@umb.edu. A brief letter from each author’s advisor should be included. This letter should certify the person’s status as a student and include some comments about the research. Papers may be sent beginning on January 1, 2011 and be postmarked no later than May 31, 2011. The winner will be announced by June 30, 2011 and will receive a $150 cash award at the SSSP 2011 Annual Meeting August 19-21, registration for the meetings, a ticket to the SSSP awards banquet, and the opportunity to present her/his paper at the SSSP meetings in Las Vegas, NV.

CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY
Deadline: 3/15/11
The Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division announces its 2011 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers may be empirical or theoretical, and they may be on any aspect of crime, deviance, and/or social control. To be eligible, a paper must have been written during 2010, and at the time of submission, it may not be published, accepted for publication, or under review for publication. Papers which have been presented at a professional meeting or accepted for presentation at a professional meeting are eligible. Papers must be student-authored; they can be single-authored or co-authored by students, but may not be co-authored by a faculty member or other non-student. Please submit in MS Word 2007. There is a 25-page limit, including all notes, references, and tables. Submissions should use 12-size font, one inch margins, and double spacing throughout. Send papers and a cover letter specifying that the paper is to be considered in the SSSP Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division Graduate Student Paper Competition to: Dr. Lloyd Klein. Submissions should be submitted electronically to: lklein@stfranciscollege.edu. The winner(s) will be announced in Spring 2011, will receive a $200 stipend, and is eligible to present the paper at the 2011 annual meeting in Las Vegas.

CONFLICT, SOCIAL ACTION, AND CHANGE
Deadline: 5/15/11
The Conflict, Social Action, and Change Division announces its 2011 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Students are encouraged to submit theoretical or empirical papers that address some aspect of the interrelation of conflict, social action, and change. The winner of the competition will receive a $150 cash award, a one-year membership to SSSP, conference registration fees to the 2011 SSSP meeting in Las Vegas, NV, and a ticket to the SSSP Awards Banquet. To be eligible for submission, a paper must not be published or accepted for publication. Also, papers must be authored by a current graduate student (either solely or co-authored by more than one student) and may not be co-authored by a faculty member or other non-student. The winning author is required to present the paper at a Conflict, Social Action, and Change Division session during the 2011 SSSP meeting in Las Vegas, NV, August 19-21, 2011. Papers must not exceed 30 pages including all notes, references, and tables. Please send an electronic copy of the paper and a cover letter to Debbie Perkins at deperrins@coastal.edu with the subject line: SSSP-CSAC Student Paper Competition.

DISABILITIES
Deadline: 5/1/11
The Disabilities Division is pleased to announce its 2011 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers may be empirical or theoretical, may concern any social aspect of disability, and should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages. They should be prepared for anonymous review. Current graduate students and recent graduates (who received their degrees after December 2010) may submit a paper if it was written while still a student. Co-authored papers are acceptable as long as all the listed authors are current graduate students. Double submission to other SSSP award competitions will be disqualified. The award recipient will be required to present the winning paper at the 2011 SSSP Annual
Meeting in Las Vegas. Thus it is strongly recommended that an abstract of the paper be submitted to a Disabilities Division session by the January 31st deadline. The recipient will receive a monetary prize of $100, student membership in SSSP, SSSP conference registration, and a ticket to the SSSP awards banquet. Send an electronic copy of the paper (in Word format) and a cover letter identifying your graduate program to: Val Leiter at valerie.leiter@simmons.edu.

**DRINKING AND DRUGS**

**Deadline: 3/31/11**

The Drinking and Drugs Division invites graduate students to apply for the 2011 Bruce D. Johnson Student Paper Award. The First Place Winner will receive a $100 stipend and be recognized at the 2011 meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. Papers under consideration must present original research (empirical and/or theoretical) related to drinking and/or drugs. To be eligible, entrants must be currently enrolled in a graduate degree program and have not yet received a Ph.D., J.D., or M.D. degree at the time of submission. Participants must have had sole responsibility for preparation of the paper. Self-nominations are permitted. The paper should be no longer than 30 pages. The division reserves the right to identify additional prizes or to not award a first place winner at its discretion. Applicants should send an electronic copy of the paper and a cover letter identifying the matriculated graduate program by 3/31/11 to: Dina Perrone, Criminal Justice Department, Cal State Long Beach, dperrone@csulb.edu.

**EDUCATIONAL PROBLEMS**

**Deadline: 5/1/11**

The Educational Problems Division announces its 2011 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers must address a contemporary educational problem and may be empirical or theoretical in nature. Authors must be current graduate students or recent graduates with conferral dates no earlier than January 2011. Only unpublished, single-author papers will be considered. Papers must not exceed 30 double-spaced pages (excluding notes, references, tables and figures). All papers must include a 150-200 word abstract and be prepared for anonymous review with the author’s name and institutional affiliation appearing only on the title page. Winners will receive a small stipend, student membership in the SSSP, conference registration to the 2011 SSSP annual meeting, and a complimentary ticket to the awards banquet at which all winners will be recognized. The recipient will also have the opportunity to present the paper at the 2011 SSSP conference held in Las Vegas, NV. All papers must be submitted electronically (as an attachment) to the Division Chair, Dr. Pamela Anne Quiroz at paquiroz@uic.edu, with subject line: SSSP-Edu. Probs. Div. Student Paper Competition. Please include your name, institutional affiliation and contact information in the body of your email.

**ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Deadline: 3/15/11**

The Environment and Technology Division is pleased to announce its 2011 Brent K. Marshall Graduate Student Paper Award. This award honors the late Brent Marshall’s (1965-2008) personal and professional commitment to the Division and encouragement of student engagement in academic scholarship and research. Papers will be considered in the areas of environmental sociology including, but not limited to political economy of the environment, social movements and the environment, technology and society, natural disasters and society, risk and risk perception. The winner will receive a $150 cash award, membership dues, annual meeting registration, and a ticket to the annual SSSP awards banquet where the winner will be acknowledged. The winner will also be offered the opportunity to present this paper at one of the Environment and Technology sessions held at the 2011 SSSP meeting in Las Vegas, NV. To be eligible, the paper must meet the following criteria: 1) the paper must have been written between January 2010 and March 2011; 2) the paper may not have been submitted for publication (papers presented at other professional meetings or that have been submitted for presentation at other meetings are eligible); 3) the paper must be authored by one or more students and not co-authored by faculty or a colleague who is not a student; 4) the paper must be 25 pages or less, including notes, references, and tables; and, 5) the paper must be accompanied by a letter from a faculty member at the student’s university nominating the work for The Brent K. Marshall Graduate Student Paper Award (formerly the Environment and Technology Division Graduate Student Paper Competition). Students should send one copy of the paper accompanied by a letter of support to: Erin E. Robinson, Ph.D., Canisius College, 2001 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14208. Electronic submissions to robinson5@canisius.edu are preferred. Submissions must be received no later than midnight on March 15, 2011.

**GLOBAL**

**Deadline: 5/6/11**

The Global Division in cooperation with the Sage journal *Critical Sociology* announces its 2011 Graduate Student Paper Competition. The goal is to encourage critical scholarship in the areas of global or transnational studies and social problems. Suggested paper topics include but are not limited to the following themes:

- Transnational Public Sociology;
- Knowledge Production about Globalization;
- Democratizing Globalization
- The Politics of Human Rights;
- Re-imagining Community;
- Critical and/or Institutional Ethnography and Global Governance;
- Transnational Corporate Accountability
- Immigration, Citizenship, and Global Justice;
- Globalization and Environmental Justice;
- Transnational Movements;
- Transnational Organizing within the Global South;
- Gender Issues in Globalization; and
- Transnational Families.

Jointly-authored papers are accepted, but all contributing authors must be current graduate students or have graduated not prior to January 1, 2011. The award recipient will receive student membership in the SSSP, conference registration at the 2011 Annual SSSP Meeting in Las Vegas, NV, a ticket to the SSSP awards banquet and a $450 prize (this award has been made possible in part by support from the Sage Journal *Critical Sociology*). Award recipients are expected to present their paper at the 2011 Annual Meeting. Winning papers will be invited to submit their paper for publication in *Critical Sociology*. Papers must be submitted electronically in a format compatible with MS WORD and authors should ensure that they receive a confirmation of receipt for their submission. Although faculty sponsorship is not formally required to enter the competition, participants are invited to request a note from a faculty member or independent scholar that speaks to the academic quality of the submission and they should be emailed directly to the addresses below. Note: Previous winners...
of this award are ineligible to compete. Papers of up to a maximum length of 30 double-spaced pages may be sent beginning on January 31, 2011 but no later than May 6, 2011 to both Co-Chairs: Dr. Tony Samara at tsamara@gmu.edu and Dr. John Dale at jdale@gmu.edu.

GLOBAL: OUTSTANDING BOOK AWARD
Deadline: 4/8/11
The Global Division is pleased to announce its 2011 Outstanding Book Award. Given the massive growth of interest and research in the areas of global studies and social problems over the last decade, the Award is intended to recognize published work of exceptional quality in these areas and to encourage further critical scholarship about them. Accordingly, books on a variety of topics and themes will be considered for the Award, including but not limited to the following: alternative models of globalization; global dynamics and forms of resistance to neoliberalism (including the post-Washington Consensus era in Latin America, Asia, Africa, or the Middle East); transnational social movements; human rights struggles and global activism (around gender, indigeneity, migration, peace, social justice, etc.); transnational communities and cultural politics; global cities. We are particularly interested in books that link critical politics and activism with analytical and theoretical rigor.

To be eligible for consideration, books must have been published within 3 years of the meeting (2008-2011 for this year’s award). Single or multiple-authored books will be accepted. At least one of the authors must be a member of the SSSP in order to qualify for the Award, although they will not be required to present a paper at the 2011 Annual Meeting. The award recipient(s) will receive one or two tickets to the SSSP awards banquet, at which the Award will be announced. Nominations can be made by members of the Global Division as well as from publishers; self-nominations are also welcomed.

Nominees should send full publication information and a paragraph explaining why this book is recommended. If available, contact information for the author should be included. Authors will be requested to facilitate with their publishers that copies of the nominated book be sent to each of the Award Committee Co-Chairs. Nominations must be received no later than April 8, 2011. To nominate a book for this award, please send your message to both Co-Chairs of the 2011 Global Division Outstanding Book Award Committee: Bhavani Arabandi e-mail: bara-band@gmu.edu and Ethel Brooks ebrooks@rci.rutgers.edu.

INSTITUTIONAL ETHNOGRAPHY
Deadline: 5/1/11
The Institutional Ethnography Division solicits papers for its 2011 George W. Smith Graduate Student Paper Competition. This award recognizes the activities of an individual or group who has made substantial contributions to institutional ethnographic scholar-activism in either a single project or some longer trajectory of work. The contributions may involve IE research conducted and used for activist ends, or it may involve activist efforts which have drawn upon or contributed to IE scholarship. The award committee invites members of the division to send a one-page statement describing the contributions of the nominee to Lois Andre-Bec herly: loisab@exchange.calstatela.edu. The honoree will be recognized with a certificate at the Institutional Ethnography business meeting during the Annual Meeting in Las Vegas.

HEALTH, HEALTH POLICY, AND HEALTH SERVICES
Deadline: 5/1/11
The Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division invites all graduate students to apply for this annual paper award competition. The paper should be related to the broad Division interest, including health and illness, health policy, and health services. The paper submission should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages and should be prepared for anonymous review (with the author specified on a title page but not referred to in other parts of the text). Current graduate students and recent graduates (who received their degrees after January 2010) may submit a paper if it was written while still a student. Papers based on theses or dissertations are acceptable. (Please do not submit the thesis or dissertation itself.) Co-authored papers are acceptable as long as all the listed authors are current graduate students. Double submission to other SSSP award competitions will be disqualified. The award recipient will be required to present the winning paper at the 2011 SSSP Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV. Thus it is strongly recommended that an abstract of the paper be submitted to any Health Division session organizer or the roundtable organizer by the January 31st deadline. The recipient will receive a monetary prize of $100, student membership to SSSP, SSSP conference registration, and a ticket to the SSSP awards banquet. Send an electronic copy of the paper (in Word format) and a cover letter identifying your graduate program to: Professor Elizabeth Gage, eage@buffalo.edu.

LABOR STUDIES
Deadline 5/1/11
One of the most important activities of the Labor Studies Division is to recognize the work of graduate students. As in the past, the division is soliciting graduate student papers that build on the legacy of the late Harry Braverman. The Award consists of a $200 cash prize and a ticket to the annual SSSP awards banquet. The Braverman tradition includes work in a variety of areas, including (but not limited to): labor process studies, critical organization studies, research on the intersections of gender, race, and class at work, technical and organizational change and its impact on work culture, labor movements and resistance in the workplace, critical perspectives on labor markets and occupational transformation. Papers co-authored with faculty members
will not be accepted. Single authored papers by graduate students and papers co-authored by graduate students are welcome. All papers will be evaluated by a committee composed of at least three Labor Studies Division faculty scholars. E-mail your paper and a short letter of submission identifying your graduate program to: Kendra Jason, kjjason@ncsu.edu.

**LAW AND SOCIETY**

**Deadline: 4/1/11**

The Law and Society Division annually gives the Alfred R. Lindesmith Award to the best paper that is law-related and written by one or more untenured faculty and/or graduate student(s) and has not been accepted for publication prior to the April 1 deadline. We welcome nominations, including self-nominations for papers that meet these criteria. Please e-mail papers to: Dr. Lloyd Klein, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, St. Francis College, lklein@stfranciscocollge.edu. The winner will receive a plaque and a ticket to the SSSP awards banquet.

**MENTAL HEALTH**

**Deadline: 5/15/11**

The Mental Health Division announces the 2011 Student Paper Competition. Papers should involve an empirical analysis, either qualitative or quantitative, dealing with any aspect of the sociology of mental health. To be eligible, a paper must have been written during 2010 or 2011, and it may not be published or accepted for publication. Papers that have been presented at a professional meeting, submitted for presentation at a professional conference, or are under review for publication are eligible. Papers must be student-authored. They may be single-authored by the student or co-authored by more than one student, but may not be co-authored by a faculty member or other non-student. Paper must not exceed 28 pages including all notes, references, and tables. To submit your paper for consideration, send two paper copies to: Teresa L. Scheid, Ph.D., Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, 9201 University City Boulevard, Charlotte, NC 28223. Please include 1) a cover letter indicating that you are submitting your paper for the competition; and 2) a letter from your advisor that certifies your graduate student status and offers some brief comments about your work. The winner will be notified in June and the award will be presented at the Mental Health Division’s Business Meeting in Las Vegas, NV.

**POVERTY, CLASS, AND INEQUALITY**

**Deadline: 4/1/11**

The Poverty, Class, and Inequality Division announces its 2011 Student Paper Competition. The PCI division would like to reward student work that addresses issues related to poverty, class, and inequality. Papers should be original empirical works of professional quality completed during students’ graduate or undergraduate studies. Papers must be student authored; they can be authored by one or more students, but may not be co-authored with faculty or non-students. The winner of the competition will receive: a small cash award, complimentary annual dues for SSSP, and registration and a banquet ticket for the annual meeting. Papers should be no more than 30 pages in length, including notes, references, and tables. Send papers, electronically to: Yvonne Luna, Department of Sociology and Social Work, Northern Arizona University, yvonne.luna@nau.edu. Please specify that you are submitting a paper for the Poverty, Class, and Inequality Division Student Paper Competition.

**POVERTY, CLASS, AND INEQUALITY: MICHAEL HARRINGTON AWARD**

**Deadline: 4/1/11**

The Poverty, Class, and Inequality Division invites nominations for the 2011 Michael Harrington Award. This award will be granted to an individual who, or an organization that, by his/her/ its actions advance our understanding of poverty, social class, and/or inequality, and proposes effective and practical ways to attend to the needs of the poor and reduce class inequalities. Self-nominations are acceptable. The award will be presented at the 2011 SSSP meetings in Las Vegas, NV. The winner will receive a plaque at a special session honoring the work of Michael Harrington. One-page nomination letters should be sent electronically to Yvonne Luna, Department of Sociology and Social Work, Northern Arizona University, yvonne.luna@nau.edu. Supplementary materials may be requested.

**RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITIES**

**Deadline: 3/31/11**

The Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division invites graduate student papers that cover any aspect within the field of race and ethnic relations to be submitted for consideration for our Graduate Student paper award. Papers may be empirical or theoretical. To be eligible, a paper must have been written in 2010, may not
Social Problems Theory Division: Outstanding Article Award
Deadline 3/1/11
The Social Problems Theory Division announces its 2011 Outstanding Article Award. The goal of this award is to encourage and recognize scholarship in the area of social problems theory. Eligible articles must have been published within three years of the meeting (2008-2011 for this year’s award). Single or multiple-authored articles will be accepted. Authors are encouraged to nominate their own work. Nominees must be members of SSSP. Please send full publication information along with a copy of the article (electronic submissions are preferred) to the Chair of the Outstanding Article Award Committee, Donileen Loseke (University of South Florida), dloseke@usf.edu. Department of Sociology, University of South Florida, 4202 E. Fowler Avenue, Tampa, FL 33620.

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be typed using 12 point font in either Times New Roman or Courier; and 6) The paper must be accompanied by a nominating letter from a faculty member at the student’s college or university. Please submit your paper electronically as a Word-compatible file to pjmcgann@umich.edu. The faculty letter of nomination may be sent electronically or as a hard copy to: Dr. PJ McGann, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan, 3212 LSA Building, 500 So. State Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1382. Paper submission must be dated (via electronic time/date stamp and post-mark) on or before March 31, 2011.

TEACHING SOCIAL PROBLEMS
Deadline: 3/15/11
The Teaching Social Problems Division announces its 2011 Graduate Student Paper Competition. Papers may be on any aspect of teaching about social problems. Topics for papers can include “best practices” in the classroom, service-learning courses, using technology, using media, assessment of learning, and other areas. The winner will receive a stipend of $100 plus a ticket to the 2011 SSSP awards banquet, and a one year membership to SSSP. The winner will be offered an opportunity to present this paper at one of the Teaching Social Problems Division sessions being held as part of the 2011 SSSP meeting. To be eligible, a paper must meet the following criteria: 1) The paper must have been written between January 2010 and February 2011; 2) The paper may not have been submitted or accepted for publication (papers that have been presented at a professional meeting or that have been submitted for presentation at a professional meeting are eligible); 3) The paper must be authored by one or more students, and not co-authored with a faculty member or colleague who is not a student; 4) The paper must be 25 pages or less, including notes, references, and tables; and, 5) The paper must be accompanied by a letter from a faculty member at the student’s college/university nominating the paper for the Teaching Social Problems Division Student Paper Competition. Students should send three copies of their paper, accompanied by a letter of nomination from a faculty member to the Student Paper Competition Chair: Dr. Lauren Ross, Department of Sociology, CAS-1 Room 332, Quinnipiac University, 275 Mt. Carmel Ave. CL-AC 1, Hamden, CT 06518-1908, 203-582-8215, Lauren.Ross@quinnipiac.edu. The winner will be announced prior to the 2011 SSSP Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV.

YOUTH, AGING, AND THE LIFE COURSE
Deadline: 5/15/11
All graduate students are encouraged to apply for the annual Youth, Aging, and the Life Course Division Graduate Student Paper Award Competition. Papers should be able to contribute broadly to the sociology of youth, the sociology of aging, or the sociology of the life course. One award will be made, and the winner will receive a monetary prize, student membership in SSSP for one year, 2011 conference registration, and a complimentary ticket to the 2011 SSSP awards banquet in Las Vegas, NV, where the award will be made. To be eligible, the paper must meet the following criteria: 1) the paper must have been completed between January 2010 and May 2011; 2) the paper must not have been accepted for publication (papers submitted for publication are eligible, as long as they are not already accepted; papers based on theses and dissertations are eligible as well); 3) all authors of the paper must be graduate students and the student who submits the paper must be first author; 4) the paper must be no longer than 30 double-spaced pages, including all notes, references, and tables; and 5) the author of the winning paper must be ready to present this paper at the SSSP meetings in Las Vegas in August of 2011. To be considered for this award, graduate students should submit their papers electronically to the Chair of the Division. E-mail two copies of the paper (i.e., one blind copy and one copy that includes a title page with all contact information), along with a brief letter of submission confirming your graduate student status, to Chris Wellin, cwellin@ilstu.edu. Mailings can be directed to Wellin at the Department of Sociology & Anthropology, Illinois State University, Campus Box 4660, Normal, IL 61791-4660.
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
2011 THOMAS C. HOOD SOCIAL ACTION AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2011 Social Action Award. **Members of the Society are urged to submit names of organizations as nominees for this award.**

The Thomas C. Hood Social Action Award, established in 1991, is awarded to a not-for-profit organization in the city/area hosting the annual meeting. The award carries a stipend of $1,000.

The award is a fitting expression of the overall purpose of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, which is concerned with applying scientific methods and theories to the study of social problems. SSSP aims to bring together scholars, practitioners, and advocates to examine and understand social problems in order to further solutions and develop social policy based on knowledge.

When this award was established, SSSP described its purpose as follows:

The organization selected for this recognition should have a history of challenging social inequalities, promoting social change, and/or working toward the empowerment of marginalized peoples. Its work must demonstrate sensitivity to and respect for cultural diversity.

Preference is given to small, local agencies in the **Las Vegas area** rather than large organizations or chapters of nationally-based organizations. The main criterion is the extent to which the organization reaches out to the disadvantaged in the community and uses innovative means for dealing with local social conditions.

The award will be presented on August 20, 2011 at the SSSP Awards Banquet in Las Vegas, NV. **Deadline for nominations is April 1, 2011.**

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2011 THOMAS C. HOOD SOCIAL ACTION AWARD NOMINATION FORM
(Please include the following information when making a nomination.)

Your name, address, phone number, and e-mail address.

The name and address of the organization you wish to nominate.

The name, address, phone number, and e-mail address of the organizational contact person.

Give an overview of the organization’s work.

Indicate why you believe that the nominee merits the award.

Please submit any supportive materials in electronic form (as attachments) you believe would be helpful to the committee.

Nominations should be sent no later than April 1, 2011 to:

Heather M. Dalmage
Department of Sociology
Roosevelt University
430 S Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60605-1313
Work: (312) 341-3692
E-mail: hdalmage@roosevelt.edu

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THE SSSP MENTORSHIP PROGRAMS

CALL FOR MENTORS/MENTEES

SSSP is now offering mentorship programs designed to match SSSP members with mentors, in order to facilitate interaction and mobilize support in professional development.

The Meeting Mentor Program is designed to facilitate interaction between new members or graduate students and meeting veterans at the Annual Meeting. While meeting times and locations are set by each individual pair, meeting as soon as possible in Las Vegas, NV will help the new member get the most out of the meeting.

The Professional Mentor Program is designed to help junior members with career development. This program requires a long-term commitment of 3 months, 6 months, or one year.

If you are interested in serving as a mentor or being matched with a mentor, please complete the online application form at http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/pageld/1092 no later than June 30, 2011. If you have any questions, please contact Patrick Donnelly at: donnelly@udayton.edu.
2011 Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship

The Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an advanced sociology Ph.D. student who began her or his study in a community college or technical school. A student advanced to candidacy (ABD status) in an accredited Ph.D. program in sociology in the U.S. is eligible to apply if she or he studied at a U.S. two-year college either part-time or full-time for the equivalent of at least one full academic year that was not part of a high-school dual-enrollment program.

The Scholarship carries a stipend of $3500 from Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS) and an additional $300 from the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) to be used to support the pursuit of a Ph.D. as well as a one-year membership in SWS (including a subscription to Gender & Society) and SSSP. The Scholarship will be awarded at the summer meetings of SWS and SSSP. Recognizing Beth Hess’s significant contributions to the American Sociological Association (ASA), ASA joins SWS and SSSP in supporting and celebrating the awardee at their Annual Meetings, August 20-23, 2011 in Las Vegas, NV. The awardee’s economy class airfare, train fare or driving mileage/tolls will be paid jointly by SWS and SSSP. ASA also supports applicants for this award via their student travel award program (more than one such award may be given, but students must apply to ASA separately). Each association will also waive its meeting registration and provide complementary banquet and/or reception tickets for the awardee.

To honor Beth Hess’s career, the committee will be looking for:

- Commitment to teaching, especially at a community college or other institution serving less-privileged students.
- Research and activism in social inequality, social justice, or social problems, with a focus on gender and/or gerontology being especially positive.
- Service to the academic and/or local community, including mentoring and activism.
- High quality research and writing in the proposal and letter of application.

Applications for the award should be sent electronically as a single Word or RTF file via e-mail attachment to: dcopelto@brockport.edu. Applications must contain in the following order:

1. A cover sheet with:
   - Name and full contact information, including phone and email
   - Current academic affiliation, with years
   - Community college or technical school attended, with years and number of credits completed
   - Name and contact information for graduate faculty reference
   - If included, name of honored faculty member
2. A letter of application (no more than 2 pages) describing the student's decision to study sociology, commitment to teaching, career goals, research agenda, service and activism that would help the committee to see how the Scholarship would be a fitting honor
3. Full curriculum vitae, including all schools, degrees awarded, years of study, and full or part-time status in each
4. (Optional) A one-page letter describing a community/technical college faculty member who contributed in a significant way to the decision to study sociology or pursue higher education

Applicants should also arrange for the following to be sent directly either electronically via e-mail attachment or in hard copy:

1. A letter confirming advancement to candidacy (ABD status) in a sociology Ph.D. program and aid award, if any
2. A letter of recommendation from a sociologist
3. Transcript (official or unofficial) from the community or technical college attended

Only the enrollment confirmation, letter of recommendation, and transcript will be accepted in hard copy. Electronic copies of these materials are preferred and should be sent directly by the individual or institution supplying them. Hard copies can be mailed directly to:

Dr. Denise Copelton
Department of Sociology
The College at Brockport, State University of NY
350 New Campus Dr.
Brockport, NY 14420

To be considered, all application materials (electronic and hard copy) must be received by midnight on April 1, 2011.

For further information contact Denise Copelton at: dcopelto@brockport.edu
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There will be a raffle for a two-night hotel stay at the SSSP Conference Hotel.
The winner will be announced at the awards banquet. You do not have to be present to win.

MEMBERSHIP DUES+: You must be a current member to attend the Annual Meeting unless you pay non-member registration. If you are already a 2011 member, skip this section.

☐ Life Members, Emeriti    $0    $45,000-$54,999    $120
☐ Students    $30    $55,000-$64,999    $150
☐ Unemployed    $30    $65,000-$74,999    $170
☐ Retired Member    $45    $75,000-$84,999    $190
☐ First Time Professional Member    $45    $85,000 and up    $210
☐ $24,999 and under    $70    Sustaining Membership    $1,700
☐ $25,000-$34,999    $90    Departmental Membership    $85
☐ $35,000-$44,999    $100
ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES: Registrants with disabilities may request accessibility services such as sign language interpreters, sighted guides, etc., to facilitate their full participation in the Annual Meeting. If you need accessible accommodations or other services, please alert us to your needs no later than June 30. The Administrative Officer will contact you about service arrangements.

☐ Accessible Services Request: ____________________________

DONATE TO THE ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES FUND: Arrangements for accessibility services can become quite costly, and funds are limited. The SSSP has established an Accessibility Services Fund in order for members to be able to contribute directly to making the Annual Meeting accessibility services more affordable for attendees with disabilities.

☐ Accessible Services Donation:

THE FREMONT STREET EXPERIENCE ACLU TOUR (limit 30) ☒

Friday, August 19, 6:00 pm – 8:00, tickets $20 each

The Fremont Street Experience is located in the heart of downtown Las Vegas on the historic street where Las Vegas gaming and entertainment first began. Fremont Street is home to some of the oldest and most recognizable casinos in Las Vegas, including the Golden Nugget, Binions, and the Four Queens. Since Las Vegas was incorporated in 1911, Fremont Street has been an integral part of the community and is considered by many to be the “real Vegas”. Fremont Street was the first street to be paved (1925) and is the site of the first traffic light, elevator, high rise building, and Nevada gaming license. This historic downtown area has also been the site of ACLU battles over free speech on public sidewalks and workers’ rights to protest. We will tour The Fremont Street Experience with an ACLU of Nevada representative who will discuss the efforts they have undertaken to protect individuals’ and unions’ rights to protest, the rights of outcall services to distribute flyers of nude dancers, and the fight to keep public sidewalks and parks open for protests. The tour accommodates 15-30 people and will last one hour, with a half hour budgeted for transport each way. The cost associated with the tour will cover transportation via wheelchair accessible shuttle and a donation to the ACLU of Nevada. The Fremont Street Experience and main level of all casinos are wheelchair accessible. The tour will leave promptly at 6:00 pm from the front lobby (by Starbucks) of Harrahs’.

GRAND TOTAL
Make check or money order payable, in US DOLLARS to SSSP or provide credit card authorization below. __________

Credit Card Type: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover ☐ American Express

_________________________________________ ☐
Credit Card Number Expiration Date Signature (mandatory)

DEADLINE: Forms and payments must be postmarked by/faxed no later than July 15 to be eligible for the preregistration discount. Pre-registration ends on July 15. Any forms postmarked/faxed after July 15 will be processed at the on-site rate. All program participants must pre-register by May 31 in order to have their names listed in the preliminary online and final programs.

REFUND POLICY: Registration fees will be refunded to persons who notify us prior to July 15. Once the final program is printed and participant packets have been prepared, the cost of processing the participant has occurred. Unfortunately, under no circumstances will SSSP issue refunds for no-shows.

PERMISSION TO USE PHOTO POLICY: By registering for the SSSP conference, attendees hereby agree to allow SSSP and affiliates to use any photos taken of them during the conference in news media, web site, publications, promotions, articles, marketing pieces, etc.

DONATE A BANQUET TICKET PROGRAM: Some members purchase extra banquet tickets for graduate students, foreign scholars, and scholar-activists. Check the box below if you are interested in applying for a complimentary ticket. Donated tickets will be distributed on a first come/first served basis. SSSP will notify all recipients no later than July 15.

☐ Consider me for a complimentary banquet ticket. Indicate your classification: ☐ Graduate Student ☐ Foreign Scholar ☐ Scholar-Activist

MEETING MENTOR PROGRAM: The Meeting Mentor Program is designed to facilitate interaction between new members or graduate students and meeting veterans at the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in serving as a mentor or being matched with a mentor, please complete the online application (http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/pageId/1092). The application deadline is June 30.

ROOMMATE MATCHING SERVICE: Would you like to participate in the roommate matching service? If yes, the Administrative Office will send you a list with contact information for those who are interested in sharing a room no later than June 30. Indicate your smoking preference.

☐ Yes ☐ Smoking ☐ Non-smoking ☐ No preference

RETURN FORM WITH PAYMENT IN US DOLLARS TO:
SSSP, University of Tennessee, 901 McClung Tower
Knoxville, TN 37996-0490
mkoontz3@utk.edu
or fax to 865-689-1534 or register online at http://www.sssp1.org

+ Requests for exemption from meeting registration and membership dues must be approved by Program Committee Chair Karen McCormack, mccormack_karen@wheatonma.edu. When sending an e-mail, place SSSP in the subject line. Eligibility requirements for exemptions are posted on our website.

GENERAL INQUIRIES SHOULD BE SENT TO:
Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer & Meeting Manager
W: 865-689-1531; F: 865-689-1534; E-mail: mkoontz3@utk.edu
HOTEL RESERVATION

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.harrahslasvegas.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.

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- 800-521-4041
- 800-433-1790
- 800-654-2240

**Hertz Rentals**

**Enterprise**

**Hertz Direct:** [http://link.hertz.com/link.html?id=22502&LinkType=HZLK&TargetType=Homepage&ret_url=www.associationtravelconcepts.com](http://link.hertz.com/link.html?id=22502&LinkType=HZLK&TargetType=Homepage&ret_url=www.associationtravelconcepts.com)

SSSP resolutions constitute an important opportunity for our scholar-activist membership to publicly declare their sentiments, thereby creating a channel for greater visibility and more direct influence upon a variety of “publics,” i.e., fellow activists, scholars, students, decision-makers, social action groups, voters, and others. Thus, as Vice-President this year, I am calling on the membership to submit resolutions for discussion, debate, and in some cases, passage. Keep in mind, that proposed resolutions serve as useful discussion points for SSSP members, helping to increase and enhance communication and activities during the long period between annual meetings. To submit a resolution, simply forward your resolution or your idea for a resolution to the Vice-President and the appropriate SSSP Division Chair(s) by July 1, 2011 in order to give members ample time to read and give serious consideration to your resolution. (If you submit your resolution to more than one chair, please inform all involved of this fact.) The only exception to the deadline is if the issue in question occurs after July 1st. Proposed resolutions will be available for review prior to the Annual Meeting via posting on the SSSP website in the “members-only” area and under “Annual Meeting,” and as an e-mail blast sent to members who want to receive announcements from the Administrative Office.

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Resolutions submitted to Division Chairs should contain a concise position statement concerning a social problem of urgent concern to the Division. In most cases, the resolution should include some sort of call for viable action on the part of the SSSP. This typically involves a letter from the Board directed to some public entity expressing concern, support, or protest. Feel free, however, to propose other forms of appropriate action. If the resolution is in support of or in opposition to a piece of legislation, a copy of the legislation or a place where members can access it must be provided.

It is the SSSP Vice-President’s responsibility to serve as the facilitator for resolutions being sponsored by the Divisions as well as from individual Society members, making the resolutions available to the membership prior to and at the annual business meeting. This year in Las Vegas, the resolutions process will be organized in a manner that promotes wider discussion prior to formal consideration at the 2011 Annual Business Meeting. The process is as follows:

• On the first day of the meetings an open forum of discussion will be held, which is designed to encourage a political discussion of concerned members. At this meeting, each proposed resolution should be presented for membership discussion by the sponsoring Division’s Chairperson (or designated representative) and adequate time for discussion will be properly allotted to each. To facilitate this process, all proposed resolutions, as noted above, must be made available to the SSSP Vice-President and Division Chair(s) by July 1, such that the membership has ample time to consider resolutions and can be provided a print copy with their registration packet.

• Modifications and revisions will be considered during the open discussion forum that will meet in place of the annual meeting of the Resolutions Committee. Sponsors of resolutions or a surrogate must be present at this forum to present and respond to questions concerning their resolution. It is imperative that someone be present who can speak to the substance of the proposed resolution.

• During the 2011 Annual Business Meeting, the resolutions will be presented (including any modifications or revisions) by the Vice-President as a package for approval for action by the attending membership. The membership will vote on proposed resolutions that were discussed and revised on the first day of the meeting. Experience shows that the Annual Business Meeting fails to provide sufficient time for a detailed discussion of resolutions. If objections from the floor are raised to any specific resolution at this year’s Business Meeting, that resolution can, by majority vote of those present, be singled out from the package, and voted on separately. Those present can either support the resolution for approval as proposed or decide to table the resolution for further discussion at the subsequent year’s annual meeting.

• If the resolution requires letters or e-mails to be sent, the sponsor of the resolution must provide the addresses to the Administrative Office and, if necessary, be prepared to assist the Administrative Office in getting the resolution to the appropriate individuals or agencies. Furthermore, sponsors are apprised of developments pertaining to the issue(s) addressed in a resolution.

• We will attempt to make approved resolutions immediately available to the press. In addition, all approved resolutions will be submitted for publication in the fall issue of the Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter and posted on the SSSP website

Members who wish to propose resolutions for consideration of the SSSP, should submit them to the appropriate Division Chairperson(s) (see http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/21 for current contact information) and directly to the SSSP Vice-President at perruc-cic@purdue.edu by July 1, 2011.

Carolyn C. Perrucci, SSSP Vice-President, 2010-2011
SUGGESTIONS FOR THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS:

Here are some suggestions that may help enhance resolutions submitted for consideration by the Society:

- **Local awareness**: A resolution which addresses an issue of urgent concern for the city or region where the annual meeting is taking place is highly desirable. Thus, a more general or globally-oriented resolution can be strengthened if it makes the extra effort to cite any local aspect or manifestation of the problem which can help dovetail with the larger concern. Clearly, matters of local concern are more likely to be of interest to the local media.

- **Urgency**: Resolutions that embody some urgent or timely matter involving some current manifestation of a larger social problem are highly desirable. This can relate, for example, to pending legislation, policies and programs, a recently released report, and so on. Resolutions that address urgent matters are much more likely to be picked up by the press.

- **Action-oriented**: All resolutions should attempt to incorporate a call for action, be it on the part of the SSSP Board, or for concerned individuals. If action is requested on the part of the SSSP, it should be as specific as possible, e.g., to whom should a letter be directed, etc. In the past, other proposed actions have included calls for boycotts, participation in public demonstrations, collecting donations, and so on.

- **Resource pointer**: A resolution which is accompanied by a specific resource or resource list is extremely useful for those who wish to learn more about the issue at hand. The resource supplement can be a specific document or scholarly paper, website(s), or some other useful repository of information. This can be very helpful in increasing the impact of the resolution by assisting teachers, students, the press and others who wish to have further background information in engaging the issue for their own specific purposes.
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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR THE 2011 CALENDAR

Please print your contact information clearly.

Name ___________________________ Degree ___________________________

Last First Middle

Address Line 1 __________________________ Address Line 2 ___________________________

City ___________________________ State/Province ______ Zip/Postal Code ______ Country* ______

Work Phone _____________ Home Phone _____________ Mobile Phone _____________

Fax _____________ E-mail _____________ Personal Website _____________

Affiliation ________ Affiliation Type ______ Academic ______ Nonprofit.org ______ For-profit.org ______ Government ______

Privacy & Communication Preferences

____ Yes, send me an e-mail link (preferred) for Social Problems.
____ Yes, I will vote in SSSP elections by receiving an e-mail link (preferred) to the electronic ballot.
____ I do not want to receive a copy of Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter.
____ I do not want my name, affiliation, website, and e-mail to be listed in SSSP's online, members-only directory.
____ I do not want my address and other information shared with related professional organizations.
____ I do not want to receive any group e-mails from SSSP, including division newsletters and other announcements.

Racial/Ethnic Identification (Optional)

____ American Indian or Alaska Native
____ Asian
____ Black or African American
____ Hispanic or Latino
____ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
____ White
____ Self Identification: ____________________________ Specify if desired

Gender (Optional)

____ Male
____ Female
____ Alternate Gender Identification

1. Choose your membership dues category.

____ Life Members, Emeriti ($60)
____ Students ($30), current photo ID required
____ Unemployed ($30)
____ Retired Member ($45)
____ First Time Professional Member ($45)
____ $24,999 and under ($70)
____ $25,000-$34,999 ($90)
____ $35,000-$44,999 ($100)
____ $45,000-$54,999 ($120)
____ $55,000-$64,999 ($150)
____ $65,000-$74,999 ($170)
____ $75,000-$84,999 ($190)
____ $85,000 and up ($210)
____ Sustaining Membership ($1,700)
____ Departmental Membership ($85)

2. Choose which Special Problems Divisions you would like to join. Membership in three is free; membership in additional divisions costs $2 each.

____ A. Community Research and Development
____ B. Crime and Juvenile Delinquency
____ C. Drinking and Drugs
____ D. Racial and Ethnic Minorities
____ E. Conflict, Social Action, and Change
____ F. Family
____ G. Poverty, Class, and Inequality
____ H. Mental Health
____ I. Social Problems Theory
____ J. Sociology and Social Welfare
____ K. Youth, Aging, and the Life Course
____ L. Educational Problems
____ M. Environment and Technology
____ N. Labor Studies
____ O. Sexual Behavior, Politics, and Communities
____ P. Health, Health Policy, and Health Services
____ Q. Law and Society
____ R. Teaching Social Problems
____ S. Institutional Ethnography
____ T. Global
____ U. Disabilities
____ V. Sport, Leisure, and the Body

3. Check if you would like to serve on any of the following elected positions. The Administrative Office will give your name to the Nominating Committee.

____ President Elect/President
____ Vice-President Elect/Vice-President
____ Secretary
____ Treasurer
____ Board of Directors/Student Board Representative
____ Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee
____ Committee on Committees
____ Editorial and Publications Committee
____ Membership and Outreach Committee

4. Check if you would like to serve on any of the following appointed committees. The Administrative Office will give your name to the Committee on Committees.

____ Accessibility
____ C. Wright Mills Award
____ Elections
____ Erwin O. Smigel Award
____ Joseph B. Gittler Award
____ Lee Founders Award
____ Lee Scholar Support Fund
____ Lee Student Support Fund
____ Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship
____ SSSP General Fund
____ Thomas C. Hood Social Action Award

5. Decide if you wish to make a tax-deductible contribution to the Society's awards and funds.

____ Accessibility Services $_____
____ C. Wright Mills Award $_____
____ Erwin O. Smigel Award $_____
____ Joseph B. Gittler Award $_____
____ Lee Founders Award $_____
____ Lee Scholar Support Fund $_____
____ Lee Student Support Fund $_____
____ Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship $_____
____ SSSP General Fund $_____
____ Thomas C. Hood Social Action Award $_____

6. Payment Amount

1. Membership Dues $___________
2. Additional (more than three) Special $___________
3. Mailing Fee* $___________
4. Tax-Deductible Contributions $___________

TOTAL ENCLOSED: $___________

7. Choose your payment method.

a. Enclose check or money order, in U.S. currency, payable to: SSSP, 901 McClung Tower, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 37996-0490
b. Provide credit card authorization below
c. Fax this form to: (865) 689-1534
d. Join online: www.sssp1.org

Credit Card Payment:

____ Visa __ MasterCard __ Discover __ American Express

Account Number ____________________________ Expiration Date ____________________________

Signature __________________________________________

Mailing Fee Note: For SSSP members with a mailing address in Canada and Mexico, a mail fee of $20 will be applied. For all other mailing addresses outside the United States, the mail fee is $30. This fee is waived for members who opt out of the paper option in all categories.