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## From the Section Chair

Dear CLD Members,

As the new Chair of the CLD section, I'd like to express a few well-deserved thank-yous. First, thank you to Steve Messner, the outgoing Chair of the CLD section, for ensuring that the CLD section had a very successful year last year. Under Steve's leadership, the CLD section-sponsored panels went well at the meetings in Chicago and multiple awards were given out. Further, new section officers were elected, the financial health of the section remained strong, and, in the process, Steve helped me prepare to chair the CLD section this year. In sum, Steve "did good" (as my mother would say). Thanks, Steve.

Also, I'd like to thank Gary Jensen for his continued service to the CLD section. As most of you know, Gary has served as the section newsletter editor for a number of years, improving the newsletter with each issue. As you might not know, however, Gary is unable to continue in this capacity as he has taken on more administrative responsibilities at Vanderbilt University. So, it is with regret that I have had to

find a new newsletter editor.

It is with pleasure, however, that I introduce our new newsletter

editor, Rachel Bridges Whaley. Rachel did her graduate work at SUNY-Albany, earning her Ph.D. in 1999 under the direction of Steve Messner, Allen Liska, Alan Lizotte, and Christine Bose. While earning her Ph.D. and thereafter, she was employed at the Oregon Social Learning Center as a Senior Analyst where she conducted empirical analyses and helped coordinate longitudinal studies of juvenile delinquents in different treatment programs before returning to academic life. She is now an Assistant Professor of Sociology at Western Michigan University where she is pursuing her teaching and research interests in criminology and gender. Please join me in welcoming Rachel onboard as the CLD newsletter editor.

I am also pleased to announce that, with the help of the CLD Council (Katherine Beckett, Candace Kruttschnitt, Rob Nash Parker, Neal Shover, Darrell Steffensmeier, and Pamela Wilcox), I have already submitted four CLD section-sponsored sessions for next year's program. Our program includes the following panels:

“White Collar Crime, Corporate Scandal,” organized by Henry Pontell; “Violence, Prevention, and Evaluation,” organized by Rob Nash Parker; “Criminologies Across National Boundaries,” organized by Joachim Savelsberg; and “Social Networks and Criminal Violence,” organized by Rick Rosenfeld. In addition, of course, we will have numerous roundtables, which will be organized by Rachel Whaley. Complete contact information on each session organizer can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. I, along with the organizers, encourage you to submit your work to the relevant session organizer.

Finally, I’d like to make use of my space here to solicit a spirit of volunteerism. As I work with the CLD Council to constitute section committees, let me encourage you to contact me if you’d like to serve the section by becoming a member of a committee. There’s lots of work to be done and the more folks doing it the better! Indeed, one of my goals as section Chair is to integrate more new folks into the CLD section, including as committee members. Trust me, I’m a natural at putting others to work!

Best wishes for a wonderful fall.

Valerie Jenness  
Chair, CLD Section

### From the Editor

Hello CLD members,  
Since Valerie was kind enough to

introduce me, I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to submit material for the newsletter including, for example,

- announcements (e.g., new programs, new books, personal accomplishments)
- calls for papers
- news items
- articles or ideas for future articles/columns
- advice for new teachers, researchers, and practitioners
- websites for CLD organizations or resources
- letters to the editor
- teaching, research, or service related questions for a column titled ‘Ask a CLD expert’ (I’ll do my best to identify and recruit an expert who can answer your question; if you can suggest someone please do)
- topics of interest to graduate students.

If you did not receive my September e-mail requesting submissions for this issue and would like to receive future correspondence, please send me your e-mail address.

I will close with an appreciative

thank you to the CLD Council for giving me the opportunity to serve the section in this capacity. I look forward to working with members to produce a useful and interesting newsletter. Finally, I would like to welcome Carl Lafata as Assistant Editor.

Till the next time,  
Rachel Bridges Whaley

### From the Assistant Editor

Greetings! I am a doctoral student at Western Michigan University and this newsletter’s new graduate student assistant editor. I received my bachelor’s degree in criminal justice (with a minor in sociology) from Western Michigan University in 1995, and completed my master’s degree in criminal justice administration from Oklahoma City University in 1997. I began Western Michigan University’s sociology Ph.D. program in January of 2001, and have selected criminology and social psychology as my areas of concentration. My research interests include critical criminology, and specifically, the effects of education and training on the duty performance of police officers, as well as the structural conditions that lead to burnout or excessive stress in police officers.

I worked full-time as a Michigan State Police trooper during the first few semesters

of my doctoral program until deciding to take a leave of absence this past August to concentrate on my studies. I served as a state trooper for four-and-a-half years during which time I was responsible for both general patrol duties and criminal investigations. My specialty areas were child sex crimes, computer crimes, and domestic violence. I also served as my post's community service officer, which allowed me to work closely with juvenile offenders and their families, social service agencies, community organizations, schools, and student interns. Prior to working as a state trooper, I served as a commissioned officer in the United States Army. My last duty assignment was serving as the executive officer and commander for a basic training unit. This job was very interesting from a sociological perspective because I was able to witness how diverse groups of people could come together to form cohesive units. As an officer, I also had a particularly interesting vantage point from which to observe the inner workings of the intensely political bureaucracy that is the United States Army.

I believe that my experiences in law enforcement and the military, coupled with my experiences growing up in a law enforcement family, give me a unique "insider" perspective into these types of professions that is shared by few other researchers. I plan to conduct research from this perspective that will

contribute to the sociological understanding of government agencies and their employees, as well as related criminological and sociological topics. I also plan to use my training and experience to produce an article for each newsletter that will be of particular benefit to graduate students, and will hopefully be of general interest to all. That being said, I welcome any suggestions you have for future writings. Furthermore, please feel free to contact me (via email) if you have any questions or if I can assist you in any way. I consider it an honor to be named this newsletter's new graduate student assistant editor, and am excited for the challenges the position presents. I look forward to making a distinctive contribution and I welcome your input.

Sincerely,

Carl J. Lafata



### Student Paper Competition

The ASA Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance announces its annual **Student Paper Competition**. The winner will receive \$500 to offset the cost of attending the 2003 ASA meetings. Papers should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages and should follow the manuscript preparation guidelines used by the *American Sociological Review*. Co-authored papers are acceptable if all authors are students. Submit five printed

copies to Rodney L. Engen, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Box 8107, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC 27695-8107. Email correspondence to: rod\_engen@ncsu.edu. Submission deadline is **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2003**.

### Members' Achievements and Announcements



#### William Chambliss

received the 2001 Prevention for a Safer Society (PASS) Award from the National Council on Crime and Delinquency for his book *Power, Politics and Crime* (Westview Press, 1999). The Award is given to a work that communicates research findings in criminology to a non-academic as well as an academic audience.



#### Martha Huggins, Mika Haritos-Fatouros, and Philip G. Zimbardo

are the authors of a new book titled *Violence Workers* (UC Press, 2002). "Of the twenty-three Brazilian policemen interviewed in depth for this landmark study, fourteen were direct perpetrators of torture and murder during the three decades that included the 1964-1985 military regime. These "violence workers" and the other group of "atrocious facilitators" who had not, or claimed they had not, participated directly in the

violence, help answer questions that haunt today's world: Why and how are ordinary men transformed into state torturers and murderers? How do atrocity perpetrators explain and justify their violence? What is the impact of their murderous deeds--on them, on their victims, and on society? What memories of their atrocities do they admit and which become public history?" (from the UC press website: <http://www.ucpress.edu/books/pages/9771.html>)



The Center for Studies in Criminology and Law (CSCL) at the **University of Florida** has been approved for a graduate program in Criminology, Law & Society. The criminology and deviance specialization currently housed in the department of sociology will be administered through CSCL starting in Academic Year 2003-2004. The criminology specialization is complemented by a law & society area, which uses behavioral sciences and humanities to examine the relationship between law and society, to create an interdisciplinary program that will grant M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in criminology, law & society. During a transitional period, 2003-2004 admissions into the M.A. and Ph.D. program are being made through sociology, using sociology guidelines ([www.soc.ufl.edu](http://www.soc.ufl.edu)), but funding and admissions decisions will be made in the Center.

The center currently houses 12

full-time faculty members, as well as several affiliate faculty (Marian Borg, Sociology, Paul Magnerella, Anthropology, and Brian Stults, Sociology). A brief listing of the faculty and their areas of interest include:

Jeffrey Adler, Ph.D., Professor. Interests include: history of crime and justice, and U.S. history.  
 Ronald L. Akers, Ph.D., Professor. Interests include: criminological theory, alcohol and drugs, and deviant behavior.  
 Mark Fondacaro, Ph.D., J.D., Assistant Professor. Interests include: psychology and law, due process and procedural justice, and community psychology.  
 Charles E. Frazier, Ph.D., Professor. Interests include: juvenile delinquency and juvenile justice, evaluation methods, and criminological theory.  
 Richard C. Hollinger, Ph.D., Associate Professor. Interests include: white collar crime, private security, and deviance.  
 Jodi Lane, Ph.D., Assistant Professor. Interests include: fear of crime, juvenile justice policy, and corrections.  
 Lon Lanza-Kaduce, Ph.D., J.D., Professor. Interests include: criminological theory, sociology of law, and drugs and alcohol.  
 Karen F. Parker, Ph.D., Associate Professor. Interests include: violence, race and gender labor market stratification, and research methods.  
 Alex R. Piquero, Ph.D., Associate Professor. Interests include: criminal careers, quantitative methods, criminological theory, and policing.  
 Nicole L. Piquero, Ph.D.,

Assistant Professor. Interests include: corporate crime, criminological theory, and recidivism.

Fred Shenkman, Ed.D., Associate Professor. Interests include: policing, career development, and minority group relations.

Joseph Spillane, Ph.D., Associate Professor. Interests include: history of crime, criminal justice, and corrections, history of drug policy, and history of U.S. social policy.

Those individuals seeking further information should contact, Lon Lanza-Kaduce, Interim Director, for more information ([llkkl@crim.ufl.edu](mailto:llkkl@crim.ufl.edu)).



**Crime, Deviance and Social Control at North Carolina State University**

Charles R. Tittle and Patricia L. McCall

North Carolina State University offers an exceptional program of training in the study of crime, deviance, and social control. Our department boasts of seven full-time criminology/deviance scholars – one of the largest concentrations in any department of sociology – all of whom are active in the field and devoted to

working with graduate students on research projects. Graduate training in this specialization is based in the sociological tradition and emphasizes broad theoretical and methodological training designed to prepare graduates for productive careers as scholars and teachers. Graduates from our program have been well placed in academic and research positions.

Among the crime/deviance specialists are persons with especially well-established reputations who have made substantial contributions to the field of crime/deviance studies, including Stacy M. De Coster, Rodney L. Engen, Patricia L. McCall, William R. Smith, Charles R. Tittle, Margaret A. Zahn, and Matthew T. Zingraff. These scholars have degrees from leading universities, including The University of Texas, University of Iowa, University of Washington, Ohio State University, Bowling Green State University, and Rutgers University. The education, training, and research interests of our faculty are outlined below. More information can be found at our website:

<http://sasw.chass.ncsu.edu/s&a/grad/crime.htm>

At both the undergraduate (B.A. and B.S. in criminology) and graduate levels, the programs in Crime, Deviance and Social Control are embedded in a sociology curriculum that stresses sociological theory and analysis. Students are exposed to general theory and research methods, and they are encouraged to think

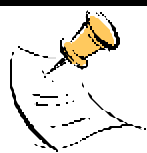
sociologically about a number of contemporary issues. Importantly, crime and social control courses stress the *sociology* of crime and deviance. We take the view that the subject matter is society, and the study of our specialty allows a window on this subject. Characteristic of our program, we extend the range of relevant theoretical and social issues by focusing particularly on the relationship between social inequalities (e.g., economic, gender, racial) and criminology.

We strive to maintain the department's emphasis on structural and quantitative sociology with relatively little overlap in specialization. A summary of our crime/deviance faculty's substantive interests include: child abuse and delinquency, processing of juveniles in the criminal justice system, structural covariates of crime rates, modeling criminal careers, evaluation research of juvenile justice programs, recidivism and delinquent careers, routine activities and ecology of crime, racial-ethnic disparity in sentencing, the implementation of sentencing guidelines, gender differences in crime and delinquency, gender differences in adolescent depression, the etiology of crime and delinquency, theoretical development and testing, changing patterns of homicide, and explanations and control of terrorism.

The programs at both undergraduate and graduate education levels stress rigor,

breadth and depth. We see the purpose of graduate education as being generally oriented toward the development of independent scholars capable of the production of new knowledge and the transmission of knowledge. We encourage our students to participate in research and to present papers at professional meetings, and to publish in professional journals. There is significant collaboration between faculty and students in this research. In addition to the department's emphasis on pedagogical training, our recently established Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) certification program has provided numerous opportunities for graduate students to participate in the faculty's research projects. At the undergraduate level, students must fulfill all the requirements for the sociology degree as well as complete 25 credit hours of specialized course work in the study of crime and justice, including fieldwork.

Crime and Social Control at the graduate level has a central place in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. This area of specialty reflects one of the department's main strengths, attracts a large proportion of the department's students, and prepares Master of Science, Master of Sociology, and Doctor of Philosophy graduates for the academic and applied job markets.



## Presentation Opportunities

### **98th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association: CLD Section-Sponsored Sessions**

1. Title: White Collar Crime, Corporate Scandal, and Social Response

Organizer: Henry N. Pontell, Professor

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E-mail: [hnpontel@uci.edu](mailto:hnpontel@uci.edu)

2. Title: Violence, Prevention, and Evaluation

Organizer: Robert Nash Parker, Professor

Director, Presley Center for

Crime and Justice Studies

Professor, Department of Sociology

University of California

Riverside, CA 92521

Tel: 909-787-4604

Fax: 909-787-7394

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3. Comparing Criminologies Across National Boundaries

Organizer: Joachim Savelsberg, Professor

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Fax: 612-624-7020

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[savelsbg@atlas.socsci.umn.edu](mailto:savelsbg@atlas.socsci.umn.edu)

4. Title: Social Networks and Criminal Violence

Organizer: Richard Rosenfeld, Professor

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5. Crime, Law, Deviance Roundtables

Organizer: Rachel Bridges Whaley, Professor

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### **The 2003 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association**

will be held at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia, June 1-4, 2003. The organizers invite

papers for a session entitled

"New Directions in the Study of Conflict Management within the Family." The session will

encourage the submission of scholarly work that addresses

innovations in theory and research aimed at explaining

variations in styles or approaches to conflict management within

the family. In brief, what are the social and cultural conditions

associated with different

strategies for handling grievances within the family? If interested, please submit an extended abstract outlining the key arguments and empirical results, as applicable, to: Joseph H. Michalski, Department of Sociology, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario L2S 3A1. Tel: 905-688-5550, ext. 3461, FAX: 905-688-8337, E-mail: [jmichals@spartan.ac.brocku.ca](mailto:jmichals@spartan.ac.brocku.ca)



## Employment Opportunities

### **Cleveland State University**

announces a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level (for candidates with a Ph.D. at the time of appointment) or Instructor level (for those who are A.B. D. and near completion). Starting date is August 18, 2003. We seek candidates whose primary research and teaching interest is in the areas of Criminology/Criminal Justice/Deviance and Social Control. Expertise in Corrections, Race and Crime or Drugs and Society preferred, but all areas will be considered. Responsibilities include conducting and publishing research, applying for external grants, professional service and teaching at the Master's and undergraduate levels (normal load is 8 credits per semester).

Ph.D. or A.B.D. in Sociology preferred, but consideration will be given to applicants with degrees in related fields who have a background in sociology. Applicants should send a letter of interest (candidates who are A.B.D. should include a statement regarding dissertation progress and completion schedule), curriculum vitae, one sample of written work, and three letters of reference to Recruitment Chair, Department of Sociology, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, OH 44115. Fax: 216-687-9314. Review of applications will begin November 4, 2002 and continue until the position is filled. Cleveland State University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply.

**Texas Christian University** invites applications for two tenure-track positions in Criminal Justice at the Assistant Professor level beginning fall 2003. Preference will be given to applicants whose research and teaching interests include one or more of the following areas: Juvenile Delinquency/Justice, Criminology, Comparative Justice, Race/Gender, Ethics, and Law/Legal Systems. In addition having a strong interest in either directing an internship program or teaching research methods is a definite advantage. Primary consideration will be given to candidates with strong teaching skills, an active research agenda, and a completed Ph.D. at the time of hire. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and

experience. The Criminal Justice program is part of a progressive, cooperative, multidisciplinary department in a supportive academic community. Criminal Justice is the largest major in the department. Faculty members are responsible for advising and teaching both core and elective courses within the program. The teaching load is 9 hours per semester. Please submit a letter of application expressing teaching and research interests, a vita, copy of transcripts, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and three letters of recommendation. TCU has 6,800 undergraduate students and is situated in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metropolitan area in close proximity to state, local and federal criminal justice agencies and institutions. Review of applications will begin October 1, 2002 and will continue until the positions are filled. Departmental representatives will attend the ASC meetings to conduct preliminary interviews. Send materials to Dr. Ronald Burns, Search Committee Chair, Department of Sociology, Criminal Justice and Anthropology, Texas Christian University, Box 298710, Fort Worth, TX 76129: [r.burns@tcu.edu](mailto:r.burns@tcu.edu). Official transcripts will be required before appointment. TCU is an AA/EEO employer.

The Department of Justice Studies at **Kent State University** invites applications for the position of Chair. Justice Studies is a large, multidisciplinary department representing criminology, sociology, psychology and

political science with a range of Justice subjects encompassing crime and delinquency, law enforcement, and courts and corrections. The Department offers a terminating Master's Degree and a Joint Doctoral program with the Department of Political Science. Students can also earn a minor in Paralegal Studies. Department faculty and students are also actively collaborative with the Institute for the Study and Prevention of Violence. The appointment is for 12-months, and begins July 1, 2003. Responsibilities: The Chair is the major administrative officer of the Department and, in that capacity, is responsible for administering, planning, coordinating, publicizing, and reporting upon the activities of the Department and its offices and academic programs. Qualifications: Applicants must have an earned doctorate, and hold or be eligible for a tenured full professorship or associate professorship. Since the Chairperson will be responsible for a department which has both undergraduate and graduate programs, it is essential that the applicant have a demonstrable record of academic and scholarly achievement, and the ability to work well with students, faculty, administrative personnel, and the community. In addition, the applicant must have the potential for effective administration of the Department, and a strong interest in developing and maintaining an effective

advising system, a strong teaching program, and a strong program of scholarship, publications, and grant writing. Application deadline: December 15, 2002. Applications will be reviewed as they are received. Candidates should send a vita, a letter of application with a summary of administrative experience and emphasis on the candidate's vision for the Department, and names and addresses of at least three references to: Chair, Search Committee, Department of Justice Studies, Kent State University, Kent OH, 44242.

The Department of Sociology at **State University of New York at Oswego** invites applications for tenure track positions beginning August 2003, pending budgetary approval. Duties include teaching undergraduates, advising students, participation in departmental and college committees, and scholarly activity. *Deviance/Criminologist Sociology Position:* The successful candidate's primary teaching responsibilities will be in the area of deviance, criminology, juvenile delinquency, and other sociology courses related to criminal justice such as white collar crime, gangs, and family violence. *Theorist Position in Sociology:* The successful candidate's primary teaching responsibilities will be in basic and advanced sociological theory, introduction to sociology, and additional courses in the candidate's area of specialization. *For both positions:* Ph.D. in Sociology is required by effective

date of appointment. Experience and demonstrated proficiency in teaching at the college level strongly desired. Send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, copies of graduate transcripts, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and three letters of recommendation to: Chair, Search Committee, Department of Sociology, Mahar Hall, SUNY Oswego, Oswego, NY 13126. Review of applications will begin on December 11, 2002 and continue until the position is filled. SUNY Oswego is an Affirmative Action Employer.

**U.S. Census Bureau**

<http://www.census.gov/>

**National Criminal Justice Reference Service**

<http://www.ncjrs.org/>

**National Archive of Criminal Justice Data**

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/NACJD/index.html>

**National Institute of Justice**

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/>



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**American Sociological Association**

<http://www.asanet.org/>

**Crime, Law and Deviance Section**

<http://www.asanet.org/sectioncl/>

**American Society of Criminology**

<http://www.asc41.com/>

**Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences**

<http://www.acjs.org/>

RESOURCES

**Bureau of Justice Statistics**

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/welcome.html>

**ICPSR (Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research)**

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/>

Please send submissions for the Spring issue to the editor by February 1, 2003. [rachel.whaley@wmich.edu](mailto:rachel.whaley@wmich.edu)

