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From the Section Chair

Dear members of the Crime, Law, and Deviance Section of the American Sociological Association:

Our section is alive and well. The latest report from the ASA indicates that we have 653 section members, which makes us the 9th largest of 43 total sections. This is a net gain over last year of about 50 new members. Our section, therefore, is allocated four special sessions at the annual meeting next August, all on Sunday, August 14th. Elsewhere in this newsletter the content of those sessions is reported (as are the memberships of the three committees that govern our section).

In arranging for the special sessions, my main goal was to put our best foot forward at the annual meeting—to offer things that are not only interesting to our members but which are also of interest to other sociologists claiming different specialties. It is my conviction, and I assume most of yours as well, that studies of crime, law, and deviance are central to sociology and that sociology is essential to a full understanding of the phenomena on which we focus. We should resist efforts to place

our specialty on the periphery of sociology, as some seem to want to do. One way to continuously re-certify the intimate connection between our area of study and sociology is to demonstrate it in our special sessions.

We will also offer the round table presentations again next year. This format allows a large number of people to participate on the program who otherwise might not be able to fit into one of the regular ASA sessions. Ross Matsueda has graciously agreed to manage that session.

This year we will again be selecting a winner for the Reiss Award, which is given every two years. The award is offered in connection with an endowment given to the ASA specifically to fund the award. However, the ASA has a rule that sections cannot give cash awards. When I learned of the ASA rule, which was emphasized to the chairs of the sections, I naturally raised questions about the Reiss Award. After some review by the ASA office personnel it was re-established that we may use funds from the endowment to pay the recipient's expenses (up to \$500) to come to the meetings to accept it. Thus, while the award is not a "cash"

award, we can nevertheless disperse funds from the endowment for the winner and those funds are not charged against our regular section budget.

It is important that we maintain our level of membership and possibly expand it. Right now, even though our numbers have grown, there are still many sociologists with interests in crime, law, and deviance who are not members of the section and there are many scholars of crime, law, and deviance who are not sociologists but who would nevertheless benefit from being members of the section. If we gain an additional 150 members before next September, we will be allocated an additional special session for the 2006 annual meeting. That is a realistic goal and one to which we should aspire. So, mention this to those you think should be members of the section but who may not now be members. You may be surprised to learn that some of those you thought were participants have simply neglected to sign up or have failed to renew their memberships.

At this past ASA meeting our Section and the Law and Society Section collaborated in sponsoring a reception. It is unclear at this point whether that cooperation will be possible for the Philadelphia convention. The Law and Society Section is trying to arrange a reception away from the convention hotel in collaboration with a local

group. The impetus for that, and one we can fully appreciate, is the outrageous expense of a reception on site at the convention. The budget of any section is extremely stretched to offer even a minimum of refreshments. We have several options for dealing with this situation. If you prefer one or another, please inform one or more of the council members.

First, we could opt not to have a reception at all for the coming year, presumably banking our resources to have a better one in 2006. Second, we could go ahead and put on the meager reception that is possible with our budget. Or third, we could try to solicit outside funds to assist us, perhaps from publishers, from prominent departments, or from individual contributors.

A recurring issue for the section is whether the newsletter should continue to be available in hard copy or whether it should be available only electronically. This year, we will develop a plan to allow members to choose. The more of you who agree to receive the newsletter electronically, the less expensive will be its distribution. However, separating out those who will be on a newsletter electronic mailing list from those on a hard copy list will be a chore. So, there will be some transition costs. The easiest approach is simply to make it available only electronically. However, some (including me) may prefer to get a hard copy and an argument can be made

that a hard copy is more likely to be read and used as a later reference.

Finally, I thank you for your confidence in me to chair the session this year. Hopefully we will have a productive year together.

Best, Charles

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**Special CLD Sessions
 2004-2005**

**Special Sessions Organized
 by the Crime, Law, and
 Deviance Section, ASA
 Convention 2005**

SESSION ONE

Session Title: "100 Years of Sociological Criminology" (Closed)

Presentations:

1. "Bringing in Gender and Race: Moving Toward Inclusiveness in Criminology," (Karen Heimer and Maria B. Velez).
2. "Legal, Extra-Legal and Illegal Responses to Crime and Deviance: A Century of Sociology," (Lawrence W. Sherman).
3. "The Behavior of Distributional Studies of Misbehavior Across Space and Time: A Review of Past, Current, and Future Directions," (Graham Ousey).
4. "From Adolescence to Childhood: The

Developmental Evolution in Explanations for Crime," (Terence Thornberry)

5. Commentary (James F. Short, Jr.)

SESSION TWO

Session Title: "Is Multi-Disciplinarity Necessary in the Study of Crime, Law, and Deviance"? (Closed)

Presentations:

1. "The Sociological Perspective," (title, not yet confirmed) (Robert Sampson).

2. "The Bio-Social Challenge" (Lee Ellis).

3. "Psychological Views of Crime, Law, and Deviance: A Challenge to Sociology" (Wayne Osgood).

4. "Economic Perspectives on Violent Crime" (Phillip Cook)

5. Commentary (Charles R. Tittle)

SESSION THREE

Session Title: "Socio-Legal Control Efforts and Their Consequences" (Closed)

Presentations: 1. "Can Crime be Reduced by Social Control? Evidence for the Effects of Legal and Social Regulation on Violent and Non-Violent Crime" (Robert Nash Parker)

2. "Implementing Innovation in Law and Organization:

Impediments and Opportunities for Social Change" (Ryken Grattet)

3. "The Support and Oppression of Death Penalty Abolitionists in the Deep South" (John Galliher)

4. "Conflating Crime and Positive Deviance: Errors of Conceptualization, Interpretation, and Application: The Case of Formal-Legal and Informal-Social Sanctioning of 'The Different' (Paul McFarlane).

5. Commentary (Chris Uggen)

SESSION FOUR

Session Title: "Theoretical Developments and Testing" (Open Roundtable Session)

To be organized by Ross Matsueda, Dept. of Sociology, University of Washington, Seattle
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From the CLD Editor

Let me introduce myself as the new editor of the CLD Newsletter. First, I'd like to thank Rachel Whaley for making the transition so seamless for me. Rachel, and her assistant, Hillary Potter, have set the bar high! Second I'd like to introduce our assistant editor, Rachel Hagemen. Rachel is a graduate student in the Sociology

department at North Carolina State University, and is writing her dissertation on the extent of infraction specialization within prisons. The dissertation involves a multi-level analysis of prison infractions throughout the North Carolina prison system.

I look forward to serving as your editor. Please forward to me any information that you think is relevant to the CLD section. Thanks.

William R. Smith,
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The award is given for a
scholarly book that makes a
significant contribution to
knowledge of crime, law and
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nominations is April 1, 2005.

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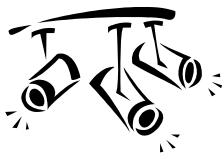
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Student Paper Competition

The ASA Section on Crime,
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its Student Paper Competition
for 2004-2005. The winner will
receive \$500 to offset the cost
of attending the 2005 ASA
annual meetings. Papers
should not exceed 30 double
space pages and should follow
preparation guidelines of the
American Sociological Review.
Submit five printed copies to
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 Submission deadline is April 15,
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**Spotlight on Recent Research
 Funded by the National
 Institute of Justice**

Baseline Psychopathology in a Women's Prison: Its Impact on Institutional Adjustment and Risk for Violence, **J.I. Warren**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/9.html.

Decision Making in the Juvenile Justice System: A Comparative Study of Four States, **R. Sarri** et al. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/10.html.

Changing Prison Management Strategies in Response to VOITIS Legislation, **S. Turner** et al. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/11.html.

Development of New Analytical Buffer Systems for the Separation and Analysis of PCR Amplified DNA by Capillary Electrophoresis, Final Report, **B. McCord**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/12.html.

Employment, Crime, and Context:

A Multi-Level Analysis of the Relationship Between Work and Crime, **T.P. Wadsworth**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/13.html.

Organized Crime in Ukraine: Challenge and Response, **J. Picarelli** et al. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/14.html.

Identification, Development and Implementation of Innovative Crime Mapping Techniques and Spatial Analysis, Final Report, **J. Mollenkopf** et al.. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/15.html.

Estimating Drug Use Prevalence Among Arrestees Using ADAM Data: An Application of a Logistic Regression Synthetic Estimation Procedure, **M. Brecht** et al.. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/16.html.

Variable Range Less-Than-Lethal Ballistic, Final Report, **G. MacAleese**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/17.html.

Gender, Economic Transformation and Urban Homicide, **K. Parker**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/18.html.

Developmental Theory and Battering Incidents: Examining the Relationship Between Discrete Offender Groups and Intimate Partner Violence, **P. Mazerolle** et

al. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/19.html.

Responding to Domestic Violence in Southern Illinois, Final Report, **J. McDermott** et al. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/20.html.

Social Research – Getting It Right for Practitioners and Policy Makers, Final Report, **G. Laycock**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/21.html.

Non-Fatal Workplace Violence: An Epidemiological Report and Empirical Exploration of Risk Factors, **D. O'Neil**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/22.html.

Study of Female-on-Female Intentional Injuries in an Urban Community: A Proposal and Test of Gendered Theory, **N.B. Hirschinger**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/23.html.

Understanding the Links Between Violence Against Women and Women's Participation in Illegal Activity, Final Report, **B.E. Richie**. The full abstract can be found at http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5_2/24.html.

Assessing Suicide and Risk Behaviors in an Incarcerated American Indian Population: Investigating Culturally Sensitive

Risk Assessment Instruments and Procedures in a Border Jail, Final Report, **M. Severson** et al. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/25.html>.

Determinants of Citizen and Police Involvement in Community Policing, Final Report, **L. Garcia** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/26.html>.

Outcome Assessment of Correctional Treatment, **K. Knight** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/27.html>.

Measuring Public Perceptions of Appropriate Prison Sentences, Final Report, **M.A. Cohen** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/28.html>.

Rate of Force Used by the Police in Montgomery County, Maryland, Executive Summary, **E.R. Hickey** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/29.html>.

National Evaluation of the Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies Program, Revised Final Report, **C. Archer** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/30.html>.

Outcome Evaluation of the South Carolina Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program for State Prisoners, **J.M. Miller** et al.. The full abstract can be found at

<http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/31.html>.

Community-Based Analysis of the U.S. Legal System's Intervention in Domestic Abuse Cases Involving Indigenous Women, **T. Peacock** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/32.html>.

Outcome Evaluation of the Forever Free Substance Abuse Treatment Program: One-Year Post-Release Outcomes, **M. Prendergast**. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/33.html>.

Effect of Gender and Family Status on Downward Departures in Federal Criminal Sentences, **A.S. Farrell**. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/34.html>.

Development of a National Study of Victim Needs and Assistance, **E. Brickman**. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/35.html>.

Forgoing Criminal Justice Assistance: The Non-Reporting of New Incidents of Abuse in a Court Sample of Domestic Violence Victims, **G.T. Holding** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/36.html>.

Victim Satisfaction With Criminal Justice Case Processing in a Model Court Setting, **G.T. Holding** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5>

[2/37.html](http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/37.html).

Evaluation of the Youth Curfew in Prince George's County, Maryland: The Curfew's Impact on Arrests and Calls for Service, **C.G. Roman** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/38.html>.

Evaluation of the Youth Curfew in Prince George's County, Maryland, Final Report, **C. Gouvis**. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/39.html>.

Research for Practice: Problem-Oriented Policing in Practice, **G. Cordner** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/40.html>.

Putting 100,000 Officers on the Street: A Survey-Based Assessment of the Federal COPS Program, **C.K. Koper** et al.. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/41.html>.

COPS Program and the Spread of Community Policing Practices, 1995-2000, **C.C. Johnson** et al. The full abstract can be found at <http://www.ncjrs.org/rr/vol5/2/42.html>.

Positions Available

Postdoctoral Associate Position Available

Mental Health and Adjustment in the Life Course

The University of Minnesota is pleased to announce a postdoctoral position, a National Research Service Award, sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health, on the psychosocial determinants of mental health and adjustment, with emphasis on childhood, adolescence, and the transition to adulthood. Full-time, 12-month research training is provided. The appointment is for 2 years maximum, subject to review at the end of the first year. This interdisciplinary program emphasizes the changing social contexts of development; life course trajectories of mental health and behavioral adaptation; longitudinal assessment and analysis; at-risk populations; and social policy. A series of core seminars and a research apprenticeship are key program elements.

Trainees will have opportunities to do longitudinal research on the following topics as well as other subjects of their own choosing: early work experience, mental health, and attainment; pathways of transition to adulthood; the joint development of autonomy and intimacy; the sources of competence and resilience in the face of adversity; physical and relational aggression; the life course consequences of victimization; cognitive and emotional factors in decision-making in criminal/delinquent and work behavior; perceptions of criminal

sanctions and their efficacy in inhibiting offending; female inmates' adaptations to prison life as a function of prior life experiences; and trajectories of deviance and reintegration. This interdisciplinary program includes core faculty members from the Department of Sociology (Jeylan Mortimer [Director], Scott Eliason, Candace Kruttschnitt, Karen Lutfey, Ross Macmillan, Christopher Uggen); the Institute of Child Development (Andrew Collins, Nicki Crick, Ann Masten); and the School of Public Health's doctoral program in Health Services Research, Policy, and Administration (Kathleen Call, Donna McAlpine, Michael Finch). The award supports three predoctoral and one postdoctoral student. Competencies to be developed include solid disciplinary grounding, an interdisciplinary perspective, methodological expertise, and sensitivity to policy issues. U.S. citizens or residents are eligible. In addition to an annual stipend in accordance with NRSA guidelines, the award provides tuition, fees and medical insurance coverage. Postdoctoral candidates, who have received a Ph.D. in a social science discipline or an equivalent terminal degree, such as an M.D., public health, or nursing degree by June 2004, should provide a letter describing current research interests, a complete vita, university transcript, three letters of recommendation, and samples of written work. For full consideration, send postdoctoral application materials to Professor Jeylan Mortimer at the Life Course Center, Department of Sociology, 1014 Social Sciences Building, 267-19th Avenue South, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455, for admittance prior to June 30, 2005. Review of applications will begin November 15, 2004.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.



Calls for papers



CALL FOR PAPERS

"Territorial Mobilities: Control, Order, Counterstrategies"

A proposed panel for the 37th World Congress of the International Institute of Sociology Stockholm, Sweden; July 5-9, 2005.

Deadline for abstract submission: November 30, 2004

Increasing global mobilities of people -- whether migrant workers, tourists, refugees, undocumented, or business travelers -- do not necessarily imply that territorial boundaries have been weakened. For some types of mobilities, boundaries have been made invisible and their movements easy. For other mobilities, boundaries are reinforced and recreated. Out of this movement across territories and institutions that endeavor to regulate it there arise simultaneously practices of differential control and ever new strategies to confront, negotiate, or avoid this control. Theoretical and empirical

papers from any perspective are welcome. Those interested should send an abstract of no more than one page to Vida Bajc: vbajc@ssc.upenn.edu

For more information on the World Congress see below

<http://www.scasss.uu.se/IIS2005>

ABOUT THE WORLD CONGRESS:

The Congress will allow social scientists from different parts of the world to exchange ideas and to establish long-term collaborative relationships.

The plenary and semi-plenary sessions will focus on the frontiers of sociology. Some sessions will focus on cutting-edge research in sociology while others will focus on the relationship between sociology and its neighboring disciplines. These sessions will include prominent representatives from a range of different disciplines

such as anthropology, economics, history, law, political science, psychology, and statistics.

Plenary and Semi-plenary speakers include: Andrew Abbott, Jeffrey C. Alexander, Thora David Freedman, John Goldthorpe, Peter Gärdenfors, Nilüfer Göle, Ulf Hannerz, Peter Hedström, Gudmund Hernes, Danièle Hervieu-Leger, Hans Joas, Jan O. Jonsson, Charles F. Manski, Karl Ulrich Mayer, Renate Maynz, Ewa Morawska, Margareta Bertilsson, Roy Bhaskar, Fred Block, Raymond Boudon, Craig Calhoun, Karen Cook, Paula England, Ernst Fehr, Margaret Archer, Said Arjomand, Johann P. Arnason, Jens Beckert, Eliezer Ben-Rafael, Helga Nowotny, T.K. Oommen, Elisa Pereira Reis, Neil J. Smelser, Michael Sobel, Yasemin Soysal, Wolfgang Streeck, Piotr Sztompka, Lars Udehn,

Axel Van den Berg, Loïc Wacquant, Peter Wagner, Peter Weingart and Björn Wittrock. Stockholm is one of the world's ten most popular international convention venues. It offers an array of cosmopolitan attractions and is surrounded by the magnificent Stockholm archipelago, with over 24,000 islands and islets. The Stockholm summer nights are long, light, and enjoyable.

Please submit material for the winter issue to wsmith@server.sasw.ncsu.edu by **December 15, 2004.**