

Welcome to new ASA emeritus/retired members!

You are receiving this newsletter because you are a current retired/emeritus member of the American Sociological Association. This is the third issue of the ASA-ORN (American Sociological Association Opportunities in Retirement Network) newsletter.

Earl Babbie to Present Inaugural "A Life in Sociology" Address

One of the drawbacks of retirement is that conference travel is typically no longer funded by the institutions at which we were employed-but please try to attend this year's ASA meeting in Chicago, a relatively reasonably priced and accessible city. This year, for the first time, ORN will have three program sessions, highlighted by a presentation, after our business meeting on Monday, August 24, at 6:30 p.m. (in the Joliet Room of the Hilton), of the first lecture in our "A Life in Sociology" series. The invited lecturer is Earl Babbie, an insightful and entertaining presenter, whose distinguished career includes the publication of widely used texts in our field. Following his talk, we will have a reception in his honor, sponsored by Wadsworth-Cengage. We appreciate their sponsorship! The lecture is being videotaped, so those who are unable to attend may have the opportunity to see it later.



ORN Paper Session

Our first paper session, entitled, "Pre- and Post-Retirement Experiences and Issues," will take place on Sunday, August 23, from 2:30 to 4:10 p.m. The session was organized by Jon Darling and Susan Prager and will include four really interesting papers:

- "Seven Totally Unexpected Things I Encountered in Retirement that 37 Years of Research on Aging Didn't Prepare Me For" by *Vern L. Bengtson*, University of Southern California
- "Implications of Limited Resources for Inter-generational Conflict in Academia" by *Eva Kahana*, Case Western Reserve University
- "Living Longer, Working Longer: Gender Implications for the USA and Ireland" by *Aine Ni Leime*, National University of Ireland and Case Western Reserve University
- "Preliminary Findings from Wave Three Research on Retired Sociologists" by *Susan B. Prager*, City University of New York-Brooklyn College

Jon Darling will be the presider and Jerome Krase will be the discussant.

Professional Development Workshop

Our first workshop, entitled, "Before and After Retirement," will take place on Monday, August 24, from 4:30 - 6:10 p.m. The workshop will be led by Scott

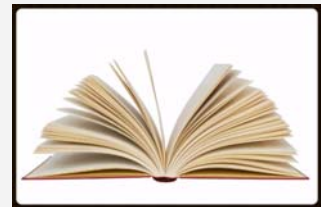
McNall, Tom VanValey, and Susan Prager and will address pre- and post-retirement issues, such as partner expectations, community and intellectual engagement, and lessons learned. The results of a membership survey conducted prior to the annual meeting also will be incorporated into and discussed during the workshop.

ORN Business Meeting

The agenda for the business meeting will be distributed on the ORN listserv prior to the meeting, which will occur on Monday, August 24, at 6:30 p.m., in the Joliet Room of the Hilton. The main item on the agenda will be a discussion of a draft (to be sent to the ORN listserv in advance of the meeting) of proposed bylaws for our organization. Now that we are an official and ongoing component of ASA, we need to establish procedures for electing members to our Advisory Board and ensuring the continuity of the annual meeting and other events for which ORN is responsible. The Acting Advisory Board, consisting of Jon Darling, Rosalyn Benjamin Darling, John Kennedy, Scott McNall, Susan Prager, Peter Stein, and Thomas VanValey, will serve until the 2016 meeting in Seattle, at which time the new Board will begin its service. We will present our proposed bylaws to the ASA Council for approval at their winter meeting.

Sociological Lives Update

We had a good response to our call for papers for *Sociological Lives*. Fifteen of our colleagues graciously agreed to serve as peer reviewers, and we sent each manuscript to three of them in April. Peter and Roz will be meeting soon to discuss the reviews and respond to the authors. We hope to be able to publish the book by early 2016. Thank you to everyone who submitted a manuscript. Your colleagues will definitely enjoy and learn from your stories!



ORN Events in Chicago

- **Paper Session:**
Sunday, August 23, 2:30-4:10 p.m. (no room assignment yet)
- **Professional Development Workshop:** Monday, August 24, 4:30-6:30 p.m. (no room assignment yet)
- **Business Meeting, Invited Lecture, and Reception:** Monday, August 24, 6:30-8:15 p.m., Joliet Room, Hilton Chicago (third floor)

We hope to see you there!

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