

ORNNotes

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ASA Opportunities in Retirement Network
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Welcome to New ASA Retired Members!

If you are newly retired, you may be receiving this newsletter for the first time. All ASA Retired Members (by membership category) are also members of the Opportunities in Retirement Network (ORN). We hope you will enjoy this way of keeping in touch with your colleagues and your profession. (If you do not wish to receive future issues of this newsletter, you may opt out by clicking on the link at the end of the newsletter below.)

Meet the 2018-19 ORN Officers and Advisory Board

- *Harry Perlstadt*, Co-Chair (Michigan State University)
- *Marcia Texler Segal*, Co-Chair (Indiana University Southeast)
- *Jennie Jacobs Kronenfeld*, Secretary-Treasurer, (Arizona State University)
- *Maxine Baca Zinn* (Michigan State University)
- *Jeffrey E. Nash* (Missouri State University)
- *Roberta Spalter-Roth* (American Sociological Association)
- *Edward Tiryakian* (Duke University)

We owe a big thank you to the board members who completed their terms in August 2018: *Ronald E. Anderson*, *William V. D'Antonio*, and *Jonathan Turner*.

Call for Nominations

All ASA retired members are eligible to serve two-year terms on the ORN Advisory Board. Members communicate via email; generate ideas for the organization; help to organize our annual Life in Sociology presentation, panel and workshop sessions; and meet at the annual business meeting and reception held during ASA's Annual Meeting. The term of service is September 2019 through August 2021. Candidates will be placed on the ASA ballot for the 2019 election. Nominations, including self-nominations, or requests for additional information, should be sent to ORN co-chair Marcia Texler Segal, msegal@ius.edu. Nominations are due no later than December 31, 2018.

Revised ByLaws Submitted to ASA Council

Proposed revisions to the current [ORN bylaws](#) were approved at the ORN business meeting in August. The proposed revisions, including a name change from ASA Opportunities in Retirement Network to ASA Retirement Network, will be reviewed by ASA Council at its March 2019 meeting. If approved, a formal vote of the revised bylaws will be included on the spring 2019 ASA ballot, along with the election of new advisory board members.

ORN Sessions Held During ASA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia Very Successful

We held three excellent sessions at this summer's Annual Meeting. Our "Life in Sociology" lecturer was Carroll L. Estes, Emerita Professor of Sociology at the University of California-San Francisco.

ORN's Professional Development Workshop, organized by Robert Spalter-Roth, was well attended and addressed the topic "Caring for the Aging as We Age: Living with and Processing Our Experiences as Sociologists."

ORN also held an invited panel session on "Life After Formal Retirement," organized by Jonathan Turner and Ronald Anderson. The session featured Glen H. Elder, Amitai Etzioni, Cora B. Marrett, and Edward J. Lawler.



Sessions for New York (ASA 2019) Being Organized

Once again, ORN will have three sessions at the [ASA Annual Meeting](#) next year as follows:

- A paper session organized by Jeffrey E. Nash and Maxine Baca Zinn on "Continuing Sociology in Retirement," with papers addressing challenges and opportunities for continuing sociology after retirement.
- A special "A Life in Sociology" lecture session, to be preceded by the annual business meeting and followed by a social reception, to be organized by Harry Perlstadt and Marcia Texler Segal.
- A Professional Development Workshop in collaboration with the ASA Honors Program, to be organized by Roberta Spalter-Roth and Honors Program Director Dennis M. Rome.



Stay Connected!

ASAORN has a **discussion listserv**, which all retired members may join. If you have not already joined the listserv, click [here](#) for instructions. Subscribers may send news or questions to other retired members by sending a message to ASA_RETIREMENT@LISTSERV.ASANET.ORG.



If you are on Facebook, please join the **ORN Facebook group**. We encourage group members to post about their professional and personal work and experiences, as well as pass along items of interest to those who are already retired or considering retirement.

Visit the ORN [home page](#).

Have a wonderful holiday season!

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For ASA activities related to ORN, e-mail: [Karen Gray Edwards](#), ASA Staff Liaison to ORN

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