

# ORNNotes

The official newsletter of the  
**ASA Opportunities in Retirement Network**  
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## *Welcome to New ASA Retired Members!*

Welcome! All members in the "Retired" membership category members are automatically part of the Opportunities in Retirement Network (ORN). If you are a new member, this may be your first newsletter. We hope you will enjoy this way of keeping in touch with your colleagues and your profession. *ORNNotes* is published twice a year by ORN.

## *ORN Advisory Board Election Results*

Congratulations to our newly elected ORN Advisory Board members:

- *Maxine Baca Zinn*
- *Jennie Jacobs Kronenfeld*
- *Jeffrey E. Nash*

These three will begin their service on the ORN Advisory Board on September 1, 2018. Rotating off the board as of August 31, 2018, are *Ronald E. Anderson*, *William V. D'Antonio*, and *Jonathan H. Turner*.

## *ORN at the ASA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia*

ORN has organized three sessions for the [2018 ASA Annual Meeting](#) in Philadelphia, August 11-14, 2018, all to be held on Monday, August 13. We hope to see you there!

### **Workshop: Caring for the Aging as We Age: Living with and Processing our Experiences as Sociologists**

Monday, August 13, 10:30 a.m.-12:10 p.m.  
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Room 404 (Level 4)

**Organizer and Leader:** *Roberta M. Spalter-Roth* (American Sociological Association)

**Panelists:** *Patricia Drentea* (University of Alabama-Birmingham), *Beth E. Schneider* (University of California-Santa Barbara), *Elinore E. Lurie*, and *Linda L. Marston* (Springfield College)

## **Invited Session. Life After Formal Retirement**

Monday, August 13, 4:30-6:10 p.m.

Pennsylvania Convention Center, Room 104A (Level 100)

**Organizers:** *Jonathan H. Turner* (University of California-Santa Barbara) and *Ronald E. Anderson* (University of Minnesota)

**Panelists:** *Glen H. Elder* (University of North Carolina), *Amitai Etzioni* (George Washington University), *Cora B. Marrett* (University of Wisconsin-Madison), and *Edward J. Lawler* (Cornell University)

## **"A Life in Sociology" Lecture and Reception in Honor of Carroll L. Estes**

Monday, August 13, 6:30-8:10 p.m.

Pennsylvania Convention Center, Room 104A (Level 100)



The "Life in Sociology" lecture is the highlight of the ORN activities. This year, ORN is proud and honored to have *Carroll L. Estes* (University of California-San Francisco) speak about her life in sociology. Dr. Estes is Emerita Professor of Sociology at the University of California-San Francisco (UCSF) where she founded and directed the Institute for Health & Aging (1979-1998), and chaired the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences in the School of Nursing (1981-1992). She has contributed more than two decades to non-profit policy research and advocacy on Capitol Hill and nationally. Her publications address the economic and health security of women and vulnerable populations across the life course, and the place of social insurance, social movements and resistance politics surrounding Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, long term care, and the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Credited as a founding scholar of the "political economy of aging" and "critical gerontology," her current focus is on advancing critical and emancipatory theory, research, practice, and policy.

***For additional information on these or other 2018 Annual Meeting program sessions and activities, see the [online meeting program](#).***

## ***ORN Advisory Board and Business Meeting***

The ORN Advisory Board and Business meeting will take place on Monday, August 13, from 2:30 p.m.-4:10 p.m. (Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Room 305, Level 3).

***Proposed Bylaws Revisions.*** The Advisory Board will consider a series of proposed changes to the original 2015 ORN Bylaws. (See original Bylaws and proposed changes [here](#).) Most changes are either "housekeeping" in that they correct errors, clarify procedures, or update information in the existing Bylaws; or facilitate Advisory Board functions and procedures. ORN members are encouraged to participate in a discussion and vote about the proposed changes during the business meeting. If approved at the business meeting, the proposed Bylaws will be submitted to ASA Council for placement on the 2019 election ballot for a vote by all ORN members.

## ***Publications by ORN Members***

Last winter, ORN members were encouraged to submit books, published articles, working papers, op-eds, blog posts, and other scholarly activities for inclusion in a [new webpage of recent publications](#). This new webpage is not only a resource for other ORN members but also a public acknowledgment of how active sociologists continue to be after formal retirement. Moving forward, the webpage will be periodically updated to include items published *within the last 12 months*.

ORN members are encouraged to e-mail any new publications to *Craig E. Schaar* (ASA Membership Manager), [schaar@asanet.org](mailto:schaar@asanet.org).

## *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](mailto:ASA_RETIREMENT@LISTSERV.ASANET.ORG).

If you are on Facebook, please join the new [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.

## *A Message from ORN Co-Chair Ron Anderson*

At the ORN Board meeting last August in Montreal, Jonathan Turner and I became Co-Chairs of ORN. I agreed to take the lead as Jon did not have the time. Even though I have been very active in ASA sections, I learned a lot because ORN functions quite differently and I will briefly explain how it works. First, Karen Gray Edwards, ASA's Director of Publications and Membership, is our official liaison. It would be difficult for ORN to function without her. Thank you Karen for your dedication and many contributions.

At the end of the 2017 membership year, ORN had nearly 800 members, which is defined as those in the retired membership category. When I last checked, 250 had signed up for our Listserv. However, perhaps because of travel costs only about 150 ORN members register for the Annual Meeting--and only about 50 attend the ORN business meeting and reception. Hopefully, that number will steadily grow. Besides taking retirement more seriously, the biggest advantage of ORN membership for me has been becoming close friends with Jon Turner.

Perhaps my biggest gift to ORN this year has been getting approval for ORN to become an official member of AROHE (the [Association for Retirement Organizations in Higher Education](#)). They have an excellent Biennial Conference; this year it is at Emory University on October 7-9. I urge you to get involved as an officer in ORN and participant in AROHE. Both are great ways to spend an important piece of your retirement.

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