

## **ASA Opportunities in Retirement Network (ASA-ORN)**

### **ASA Annual Meeting Activities**

**August 22-25, 2015**

**Hilton Chicago and Hilton Palmer House Chicago, IL**

***ASA-ORN's activities at the 2015 ASA Annual Meeting will include a regular paper session on "Pre- and Post-Retirement Experiences and Issues," a workshop on "Before and After Retirement," and an invited lecture on "A Life in Sociology." See details on each event below.***

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#### **Session 276. Regular Session: Pre- and Post-Retirement Experiences and Issues**

***Sunday, August 23, 2:30-4:10 p.m.***

**Session Organizers:** *Susan B. Prager* (Brooklyn College-CUNY) and *Jon Darling* (University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown)

**Session Presider:** *Jon Darling* (University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown)

Seven Totally Unexpected Things I Encountered in Retirement That 37 Years of Research on Aging Didn't Prepare Me For. *Vernon Bengston* (University of Southern California)

Implications of Limited Resources for Inter-generational Conflict in Academia. *Eva Kahana* (Case Western Reserve University), *Boaz Kahana* (Cleveland State University), and *Kaitlyn Barnes* (Case Western Reserve University)

Living Longer, Working Longer: Gender Implications for the USA and Ireland. *Áine Ní Léime* (National University of Ireland-Galway and Case Western Reserve University)

Preliminary Findings from Wave Three Research on Retired Sociologists. *Susan B. Prager* (Brooklyn College-CUNY)

**Discussant:** *Jerome Krase* (Brooklyn College-CUNY)

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#### **Session 445. Workshop: Before and After Retirement**

***Monday, August 24, 4:30-6:10 p.m.***

***A workshop developed and conducted by Scott McNall and Tom Van Valey***

#### **Workshop Description**

Retirement can be a rewarding experience; however, people need to plan on what they are retiring TO as well as what they are retiring FROM. Both pre-and post-retirement issues such as partner expectations, community and intellectual engagement, and lessons learned will be engaged. A short

four-question membership survey will be distributed prior to the annual meeting, and results will be incorporated into and discussed during the workshop. The four questions are:

1. What has been the greatest challenge you have faced with your retirement?
2. What has brought you the greatest satisfaction now that you are retired?
3. What is the one piece of advice you would give to your colleagues who are about to retire?
4. Are you doing something new or different with your time now that you are retired? If so what?

For more information, contact [Scott McNall](#) or [Tom Van Valey](#).

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### **ORN Business Meeting**

#### **Earl Babbie's "A Life in Sociology" Lecture**

#### **Reception Honoring Earl Babbie (sponsored by Wadsworth/Cengage)**

***Monday, August 24, 6:30-8:15 p.m.***

Beginning with the 2015 Annual Meeting in Chicago, ASA's Opportunities in Retirement Network (ORN) will present an annual invited lecture by a distinguished late-career sociologist. The ORN Acting Advisory Board selected Earl Babbie to be the inaugural speaker. Babbie is Campbell Professor Emeritus at Chapman University and the author of widely used methodology texts. His lecture will follow the ORN business meeting and will be open to all ASA members. The program will include a reception sponsored by Wadsworth/Cengage Publishing in Dr. Babbie's honor.