Dear Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco Section Members:

I hope your spring season has been a good one. First off, I would like to thank our newsletter editor, Carrie Oser. She has done a significant amount of work over the years keeping the newsletter attractive, timely, and info-packed. Thanks for another year of service to our section!

In other news, Duane McBride, Dale Chitwood, and the ADT Publications Committee members have continued to work on formalizing an affiliation of the Journal of Drug Issues with our section. That work is near completion and will be put to vote by the ASA folks at the annual meeting.

Once again, the most important topic of this letter is our membership. Our section has struggled with staying at the all-important 300 mark for many years. We have been fortunate to have donated funds that are able to cover student membership to the section. I have been regularly inviting back student members who haven’t renewed with our section. Apparently a number of sections are suffering from low membership, which means we are in competition with other sections for new and continuing members.

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Please, invite students to join. Have them send me their names and current ASA membership numbers and I can take care of the rest. Please, let us each stop and make an effort to get just one person to join. If we each do that, we will be in great shape come September when the section membership closes for the year.

The ASA annual meeting will be here before we know it. We have a full day of ADT activities on Sunday, August 3rd. Please see pages 4-5 for the complete preliminary schedule for our section, with two paper sessions and the roundtables organized by our chair-elect, Richard Wilsnack, and an additional session organized by Alice Cepeda. Also mark your calendar for the ADT business meeting, to be held immediately after the 2:30 roundtable session. As usual, the annual reception will be held jointly with the SSSP’s Drinking and Drugs Division. We have a place reserved that is very close to the hotel and detailed information is listed on page 8. We have a paper panel that ends at 6:10pm so the reception will begin at 6:30pm. I hope you will join us for the usual festivities, including the presentation of section awards.

I look forward to seeing all of you in Boston, and have a wonderful summer!

Margaret Kelley
ADT Chair
This study investigates the use of pipes and cigars as alternative ways of using tobacco in order to reduce the risk of harm of smoking. A nationally representative sample of over 35,000 adults, 18 and older, from the 2005 National Household Survey of Drug Abuse, is used to test the differences in physical health, mental health, and self-rated health of nonsmokers, former smokers, cigarette smokers, cigar smokers and pipe smokers. It is hypothesized that pipe and cigar smoking is less harmful than smoking though it may be more harmful than not smoking. The data show that pipe and cigar smokers consistently have lower morbidity than non-smokers, though the difference is not statistically significant, while smokers, followed by former smokers, had the highest morbidity (see Table 1). This is true even after controlling for the effects of age, sex, race and income. In conclusion, pipes and cigars can be seen as a form of tobacco harm reduction, a policy that is preferable to abstinence.

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*Based on Chi-Squared.*

*Based on ANOVA.*

Current Members:
Please remember to renew your membership in ASA and ADT by the end of 2008!
Paper Session 1
Scheduled Time: Sun., Aug 3rd, 8:30am-10:30am
Building: Sheraton Boston
Session Organizer: Alice Cepeda (University of Houston)
Presider: Alice Cepeda (University of Houston)

1. An Organizational-Level Analysis of the Adoption of Services among Women-Specific Substance Abuse Treatment Programs Serving Criminal Offenders
Carrie B. Oser (University of Kentucky), Michele Staton-Tindall (University of Kentucky), Hannah K. Knudsen (University of Kentucky), Carl Leukefeld (University of Kentucky)

2. A Family Based Intervention for Gang Affiliated Mexican American Adolescent Drug Users
Avelardo Valdez (University of Houston), Alice Cepeda (University of Houston)

3. Drug and Alcohol Use among Sexual-Minority Youth: The Role of Social Contexts and Relationships
Jennifer Anne Brown (Bowling Green State University), Peggy C. Giordano (Bowling Green State University), Wendy Diane Manning (Bowling Green State University), Monica A. Longmore (Bowling Green State University)

4. Community Disadvantage and the Quality of Healthcare Services:
Matthew E. Archibald (Emory University), Catherine Putnam Rankin (Emory University)

5. Complicating Addiction: What is the Role of Micro Sociology?
Jacob Avery (University of Pennsylvania)

Paper Session 2
Scheduled Time: Sun., Aug 3rd, 10:30am-12:10pm
Building: Sheraton Boston
Session Organizer: Richard W. Wilsnack (University of North Dakota)
Presider: Richard W. Wilsnack (University of North Dakota)
Discussant: Terrence D. Hill (University of Miami)

1. Terrorism, Distress and Drinking: Vulnerability and Protective Moderators
Judith A. Richman (University of Illinois at Chicago), Kathleen M. Rospenda (University of Illinois at Chicago), Lea Cloninger (University of Illinois at Chicago)

2. Modeling the Drinking Patterns of Young Workers: Marriage and Job Stressors as Mediators
Hannah K. Knudsen (University of Kentucky), Paul M. Roman (University of Georgia)

3. Drinking Trajectories and Risk Factors for Substance Use Disorders among Hispanic Males
Mathew D. Gayman (Florida State University)

4. Heroin and Bare Life: Drugs, Work and Worth in the Post-Industrial City
Paul Draus (University of Michigan)

Paper Session 3
Scheduled Time: Sun., Aug 3rd 4:30pm-6:10pm
Building: Sheraton Boston
Session Organizer: Richard W. Wilsnack (University of North Dakota)
Presider: Richard W. Wilsnack (University of North Dakota)
Discussant: Terrence D. Hill (University of Miami)

1. Public Attitudes toward Problem Drinkers: Social Contact and Preference for Social Distance
Amanda Abraham (University of Georgia), Lori J. Ducharme (University of Georgia), Paul M. Roman (University of Georgia)
Roundtables
Scheduled Time: Sun., Aug 3rd - 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Building: Sheraton Boston
Session Organizer: Richard W. Wilsnack (University of North Dakota)

Table 1
1. The Framing of Tobacco Use in the American Press: Habit, Addiction, or Moral Failing?
   Catherine Siebel (University of Illinois - Chicago)
2. Antidepressant Suicidality in Youth and the Process of a Risk Scare
   Cheryl Diana Stults (Brandeis University)
3. The Medicalization of Unhappiness in the American Society
   Antonio Francesco Maturo (Università di Bologna)

Table 2
1. Structured Qualitative Research: Organizing “Mountains of Words” for Data Analysis, both Qualitative and Quantitative
   Bruce D. Johnson (National Development & Research Institute), Eloise Dunlap (National Development & Research Institutes), Ellen Benoit (National Development and Research Institutes)
2. Towards an Explanation of Subjective Ketamine Experiences among Young Injection Drug Users
   Stephen Lankenau (University of Southern California), Bill Sanders (University of Southern California), Jennifer Jackson Bloom (Children's Hospital Los Angeles), Dodi Hathazi (Children's Hospital Los Angeles)
3. Young Adult Ecstasy Users’ Enhancement of the Effects of their Ecstasy Use
   Hugh Klein (Kensington Research Institute), Kirk Elifson (Georgia State University), Claire E. Sterk (Emory University)

Table 3
1. The Roles of Heavy Alcohol Use and Alcohol/Drug Screening in Mothers’ Welfare Participation
   Tyrone Chiwai Cheng (University of Alabama at Birmingham), Celia C. Lo (University of Alabama)
2. Using Organizational Culture and Structure to Increase Readiness to Address Issues of Intimate Partner Violence
   Barbara Lynn Kail (Fordham University), Ruth Campbell (Fordham University), Barnaby Chancellor (Fordham University)

3. It Works If You Work It: Maintaining Sobriety within Alcoholics Anonymous
   Jamey Kim Flynn (California State University-Fullerton)

Table 4
1. A Symbolic Interaction Approach to the Investigation of Smoking Prevalence and Cessation Plans
   Donald C. Reitzes (Georgia State University), Claire E. Sterk (Emory University), Kirk Elifson (Georgia State University)
   Hans Berten (Ghent University)
3. Poly-Victimization in the Lives of Young, Homeless Injection Drug Users
   Bill Sanders (University of Southern California), Stephen Lankenau (University of Southern California), Jennifer Jackson Bloom (Children's Hospital Los Angeles), Dodi Hathazi (Children's Hospital Los Angeles)

Table 5
1. Varieties of Smoking and Health: Pipe and Cigar Smoking As Tobacco Harm Reduction
   Michael S. Garr (Wilkes University)
2. To Conquer or Keep a Consumer: Lifestyle Magazines and Marketing Cigarettes to Young Adults
   Daniel K. Cortese (University of California-San Francisco), Pamela May Ling (University of California, San Francisco)

Business Meeting
Scheduled Time: Sun., Aug 3rd - 3:30pm - 4:10pm
Building: Sheraton Boston
Chair: Margaret S. Kelley (University of Oklahoma)
Participants: Dale D. Chitwood (University of Miami), Ellen Benoit (National Development and Research Institutes), Richard W. Wilsnack (University of North Dakota), Alice Cepeda (University of Houston), Geoffrey Hunt (Institute for Scientific Analysis)
Job Opportunities

Senior Research Associate

**Job Description:** Human Services Research Institute (HSRI), a private, nonprofit research and evaluation firm based in Cambridge, Massachusetts, seeks a Senior Research Associate to work on behavioral health and prevention research.

**Responsibilities include:** Research design, supervision of junior staff, monitoring the implementation of research protocols, statistical analysis, and technical writing. This position has project management responsibilities, including planning, directing and coordinating complex project activities to ensure that goals and objectives are completed within prescribed time frames, staffing requirements and funding parameters. Individuals with professional experience in the field of substance abuse prevention research and evaluation and knowledge of state and federal-level reporting requirements are strongly encouraged to apply. HSRI offers a competitive salary and benefits package.

**Minimum Qualifications:** Masters degree in a related field with 6 to 8 years experience; Experience designing and conducting quantitative research projects in behavioral sciences; Experience with state and national data sets; Statistical training; Strong writing skills; Strong presentation and oral skills; SPSS or other statistical software experience.

**Preferred Qualifications:** Ph.D. in a related field with 3 to 4 years of experience; Extensive experience with data processing applications such as SPSS and other statistical software; Familiarity with advanced multivariate models; Evidence of project management experience.

Please send cover letter and resume/CV to: Leanne Candura, Human Services Research Institute, 2336 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA 02140, jobs@hsri.org. No phone calls please- email contact only.

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Research Analyst

**Job Description:** Human Services Research Institute (HSRI), a private, nonprofit research and evaluation firm based in Cambridge, Massachusetts, seeks a Research Analyst to support a team of researchers working on public health and substance abuse prevention research and evaluation projects. Applicants should have strong analytic and quantitative/statistical skills and the ability to perform a variety of duties such as statistical analysis, database management, and technical writing under limited supervision.

**Responsibilities include:** applying knowledge of computer-based word processing, presentation, spreadsheet and database applications and statistical analysis software such as SPSS, to data analysis, data management, and data validation as well as interpreting analysis results and presenting results in technical reports. Additional responsibilities include background research and literature search/reviews and assistance in preparing study materials, reports, presentations, proposals, and evaluation tools. The ability to work with minimal supervision on multiple projects with tight deadlines is essential. Candidates should have a genuine interest in developing their career in an area related to behavioral health, public health, epidemiology, prevention research, or program evaluation.

**Minimum Qualifications:** BA/BS in social science discipline; 2-4 years relevant experience; Strong analytic, quantitative, and computer skills; Academic or work experience in Research Methods and Statistics; Ability for teamwork; Proficiency in Excel; SPSS experience.

**Desired Skills:** Masters in a social science discipline; Professional research or program evaluation experience in public health, health care policy, mental health, substance abuse prevention, or a related social science; Experience with SPSS in a professional context.

Please send cover letter and resume/CV to: Kate Nevins, Human Services Research Institute, 2336 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA 02140, jobs@hsri.org. No phone calls please- email contact only.
Margaret Kelley accepted position in the Department of Sociology at the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign starting Fall 2008.

Howard Lune accepted an Associate Professor position in the Department of Sociology at Hunter University starting Fall 2008.

Carrie Oser received an R01 from NIDA entitled “African American Female Drug Users: HIV, Health Disparities, and Criminality.”

Bill Sanders accepted a tenured Associate Professor position in the School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics at California State University, Los Angeles starting September 2008.

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Announcing the Publication of the

*Agenda for Social Justice, Solutions 2008*

The SSSP is pleased to offer you the *Agenda for Social Justice, Solutions 2008*, which represents an effort by our professional association to nourish a more "public sociology" that will be easily accessible and useful to policy makers. It is also a way to give something back to the people and institutions that support our scholarly endeavors. We hope that you find it helpful in your challenging work of crafting successful solutions to contemporary social problems. In all, it contains 11 pieces by SSSP members, covering a variety of social problems in three sections: global issues, Americans at risk, and health & welfare. This is an effort on the part of scholars at the Society for the Study of Social Problems to disseminate the findings in social problems research as freely and as widely as possible. The web page for the project is located here: [http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/323](http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/323). On that page, you can download the full version, and you can link directly to the one-page briefs and individual chapters. The chapters are available for free download, and may be suitable as cost-effective supplementary readings in many social problems-related courses.
ADT 2008 Section Awards

**Student Paper Award:** Joseph Wolfe, University of Indiana, "A Time to Mature? Age at First Birth and Alcohol Use"

**Senior Scholar Award:** Jim Inciardi, University of Delaware

ADT 2008 Election Results

**Chair Elect:** Henry Brownstein, University of Chicago

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Stephen Lankenau, University of Southern California

**Council Member:** Yonette Thomas, National Institutes of Health

Alcohol, Drugs, & Tobacco Section Reception

**What:** The ASA Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco Section will be holding its joint reception with the SSSP Drinking and Drugs Division at the Pour House Bar & Grill. Come join us for good food, drink, and celebration. Help us celebrate our ADT section award winners.

**Date and Time:** Sunday August 3, 2008 from 6:30 to 8:30pm

**Where:** The Pour House Bar & Grill is located at 907 Bovlston Street (617-236-1767) and is just around the corner from all three ASA conference hotels and the Hynes Convention Center.