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Message from the Chair

The focus on Social Conflict at this year's ASA annual conference gives unusually high profiles to our research topics and section members. Over 20 sessions address topics to peace, war, and social conflict (see later in this issue).

If you are able to make to the conference, please join me in taking advantage of our heightened visibility by inviting those attending these sessions to attend our section's business meeting and reception. The business meeting takes place immediately after our section roundtables (same location) on Sunday between 9:30am and 10:30am. The reception will take place Sunday evening from 8pm to 10pm at the Palm Restaurant in the Forum Shops at Caesar's Palace, 3500 Las Vegas Boulevard S. Our section receptions are always fun, friendly, low-key, opportunities to see old friends and to meet colleagues with similar interests.

Many of you have worked very hard to build the section this year. Please join me in thanking members of the Membership Committee who managed to get us over the 300 members threshold to ensure that we have two section sessions at this year's conference—**Steve Scanlan** (Chair), **Dan Burland**, **Steve Carlton-Ford**, **Satoko Kakihara**, **Lindsey Peterson**, and **Dave Rohall**.

We've managed to get 3 issues of the Section newsletter out this year thanks to quick thinking and hard work of the newsletter committee, consisting of **Josh Klein** (Chair), **Laura Heideman**, and **Alec Campbell**.

Speaking of Alec Campbell, he has done a wonderful job of updating and improving our section website. If you haven't seen it recently, it's worth checking out: <http://www2.asanet.org/sectionpwsc/>. Our de facto archivists, **Lee Smithey** and **Morten Ender**, have helped Alec to make sure we have a complete record of our section's history.

Consisting of **Anna Sandoval** (Chair) and **Lisa Leitz**, the Nominations Committee did an outstanding job of getting excellent candidates

to run for Section positions. Speaking of which, please join me in congratulating **J. Craig Jenkins** for his election as Chair as well as **Karin De Angelis** and **Joyce Aspel** for their elections to the Council.

Some of those named above are council members who stepped up above and beyond their required duties on awards committees. My thanks goes out to **Juanita Firestone**, **David Meyer**, and **Dave Rohall** for joining me in selecting **Gordon (Gordie) Fellman** as this year's recipient of the Robin M. Williams, Jr. Award for Distinguished Contributions to Scholarship, Teaching, and Service. **Lisa Leitz** (Chair), **Alair MacLean**, and **Yuval Feinstein** also did a wonderful job in selecting **Matthew Eddy** as the recipient of the Elise Boulding Graduate Student Paper Award and **Katherine Miller** for the Undergraduate Student Paper Award. **Anna Sandoval** (Chair), **Steve Scannan**, and **Meredith Kleykamp** are also to be thanked for their work in selecting **Sarah Sobieraj** as the recipient of the Outstanding Book Award. Despite one of the committee members being out of the country, **Meridith Hill Thanner** (Chair), **Josh Klein**, and **Joyce Aspel** quickly and efficiently decided upon **Steven Carlton Ford** and **Morten Ender** as the recipients of the outstanding book award for their co-edited book. Be sure to read below for more details on the awards.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention the invaluable assistance that **Catherine Corrigan Brown** has rendered as Section Treasurer in organizing the Reception and making sure that the student award recipients get their rewards!

It's been a real pleasure working with everyone to promote important scholarship on peace, war, and social conflict. I look forward to returning the favor by assisting incoming Chair **Dave Rohall** whose longstanding record of service to our section bodes well for its future. Let's keep the section on a roll in the upcoming year (sorry I couldn't resist!)

– Gregory M. Maney

General Announcements

Peace, War, and Social Conflict Section Award Recipients

Robin M. Williams, Jr. Award for
Distinguished Contributions to Scholarship,
Teaching, and Service

Dr. Gordon Fellman (Professor of Sociology,
Brandeis University)

Elise Boulding Graduate Student Paper Award

Matthew Eddy (University of Oregon) for his
paper entitled "Freedom Summer Abroad:
Biographical Pathways and Cosmopolitanism
Among Human Rights Workers."

Honorable mention: Robert Braun (Cornell
University) and Michael Genkin (Cornell
University), "Diffusing Human Bombs: The
Role of Cultural Resonance in the Spread of
Political Tactics."

Elise Boulding Undergraduate Paper Award

Katherine A. Miller (Yale University) for her
paper entitled "A Network Evaluation of Cadet
Attitudes Toward the Repeal of 'Don't Ask,
Don't Tell'."

Outstanding Published Article

Dr. Sarah Sobieraj (Assistant Professor of
Sociology, Tufts University) for her article:
"Reporting Conventions: Journalists, Activists,
and the Thorny Struggle for Political
Visibility." appearing in the Nov. 2010 issue of
Social Problems. Vol 57. Issue 4. Pp. 505-528.

Outstanding Book Award

Dr. Steven Carlton Ford (Professor of
Sociology, University of Cincinnati) and Dr.
Morten G. Ender (Professor of Sociology, West
Point, the United States Military Academy) for
their edited book *The Routledge Handbook of
War and Society: Iraq and Afghanistan*.
Routledge.

Congratulations to our new Chair elect and Council members:

Chair Elect:

Craig Jenkins (Ohio State University)

Council Members:

Karin De Angelis (University of Maryland)

Joyce Aspel (New York University)

Here Is a List of Relevant PWSC Sessions and Events at ASA Presented in Chronological Order:

Saturday

Time: Sat, Aug 20 - 8:30am - 10:10am
Thematic Session. Is a Sociology of War
Feasible and/or Desirable?

Time: Sat, Aug 20 - 8:30am - 10:10am
Thematic Session. Nation-building and Peace
Building in Post-Conflict Africa: Gender and
Justice

Time: Sat, Aug 20 - 4:30pm - 6:10pm
Thematic Session. Adjustment and
Reintegration of Combat Veterans

Time: Sat, Aug 20 - 4:30pm - 5:30pm
Section on Political Sociology Roundtable
Session. (one-hour) Table 01. Terrorism and
Responses to Terrorism. Table 05. Political
Violence and Responses to Violence

Time: Sat, Aug 20 - 4:30pm - 5:30pm
Session: Section on Sex and Gender
Roundtables (one-hour). Table 05. Gender and
Violence

Time: Sat, Aug 20 - 4:30pm - 6:10pm
Special Session. Uprisings in the Arab World

Sunday

Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 8:30am - 9:30am
Section on Peace, War, and Social Conflict
Roundtable Session. (one-hour)

Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 9:30am - 10:30am

**Section on Peace, War, and Social Conflict
Business Meeting. (one-hour)**

**Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 10:30am - 12:10pm
Section on Peace, War, and Social Conflict
Paper Session. Envisioning a Post-War
Military**

Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 10:30am - 12:10pm
Section on Political Sociology Paper Session.
Politics in Settings of Violence, Instability, and
Disaster

Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 10:30am - 12:10pm
Section on Sociological Practice and Public
Sociology. When Groups Meet: The Dynamics
of Intergroup Contact

Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 12:30pm - 2:10pm
Section on Comparative and Historical
Sociology Roundtable Session. Table 01.
Intergroup Conflict

**Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 2:30pm - 4:10pm
Section on Peace, War, and Social Conflict
Paper Session. Women and Peacebuilding**

Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 2:30pm - 4:10pm
Thematic Session. Understanding American
Race Riots

**Time: Sun, Aug 21 - 8pm - 10pm
Section on Peace, War, and Social Conflict
Reception. The Palm Restaurant in the
Forum Shops at Caesar's Palace, 3500 Las
Vegas Boulevard South.**

Monday

Time: Mon, Aug 22 - 8:30am - 10:10am
Section on the Sociology of the Family Paper
Session. Families and the Military

Time: Mon, Aug 22 - 8:30am - 10:10am
Thematic Session. The Great Decline in Global
Conflict since the End of the Cold War

Time: Mon, Aug 22 - 10:30am - 12:10pm
Regular Session. Peace and Conflict:
Peacebuilding and Nonviolence
Time: Mon, Aug 22 - 10:30am - 12:10pm

Thematic Session. Engaging War: Sociologists
Confront National Conflict

Time: Mon, Aug 22 - 2:30pm - 4:10pm
Regular Session. Political Sociology III
(Cultural Dimensions of Armed Conflict)

Time: Mon, Aug 22 - 4:30pm - 6:10pm
Regular Session. Peace and Conflict II - War:
Support, Resistance, and Consequences

Time: Mon, Aug 22 - 4:30pm - 6:10pm
Thematic Session. Learning from Intractable
Social Conflict

Tuesday

Time: Tue, Aug 23 - 8:30am - 10:10am
Special Session. Nonviolent Strategies and
Tactics

Time: Tue, Aug 23 - 8:30am - 10:10am
Regular Session. Military

Time: Tue, Aug 23 - 8:30am - 10:10am
Session: Section on Sociology of Culture
Refereed Roundtables. Table 03. Collective
Memory and Trauma

Time: Tue, Aug 23 - 2:30pm - 4:10pm
Thematic Session. Terrorism and Countering
Terrorism: Micro and Macro-Level Dynamics

**13th Annual Conference of Hong
Kong Sociological Association will be
held at the Chinese University of
Hong Kong, on 3rd December, 2011.**

Call For Papers/Conference Theme: Global
Sociology for a Global World. For further
enquiries, please contact Miss Queena NG of
Department of Sociology, the Chinese
University of Hong Kong
at HKSA2011@cuhk.edu.hk.

PW&SC Section Member
Research and Publications

Bajc, Vida, and Willem de Lint. 2010. *Security and Everyday Life*. New York: Taylor & Francis

<http://www.tandf.net/books/details/9780415997683/>

When everyday social situations and cultural phenomena come to be associated with a threat to security, security becomes a value which competes with other values, particularly the right to privacy and human rights. In this comparison, security appears as an obvious choice over the loss of some aspects of other values and is seen as a reasonable and worthwhile sacrifice because of what security promises to deliver. When the value of security is elevated to the top of the collective priorities, it becomes a meta-frame, a reference point in relation to which other aspects of social life are articulated and organized. With the tendency to treat a variety of social issues as security threats and the public's growing acceptance of surveillance as an inevitable form of social control, the security meta-frame rises to the level of a dominant organizing principle in such a way that it shapes the parameters and the conditions of daily living. This volume offers case studies from multiple countries that show how our private and public life is shaped by the security meta-frame and surveillance. It is essential reading for everyone who is interested in the changes to be faced in social life, privacy, and human freedoms during this age of security and surveillance.

LaRossa, Ralph. 2011. *Of War and Men: World War II in the Lives of Fathers and Their Families*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

<http://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/chicago/O/bo11392556.html>

Fathers in the fifties tend to be portrayed as wise and genial pipe-smokers or distant, emotionless patriarchs. This common but limited stereotype obscures the remarkable diversity of their experiences and those of their

children. To uncover the real story of fatherhood during this transformative era, Ralph LaRossa takes the long view—from the attack on Pearl Harbor up to the election of John F. Kennedy—revealing the myriad ways that World War II and its aftermath shaped men. Offering compelling accounts of people both ordinary and extraordinary, *Of War and Men* digs deep into the terrain of fatherhood. LaRossa explores the nature and aftereffects of combat, the culture of fear during the Cold War, the ways that fear altered the lives of racial and sexual minorities, and how the civil rights movement affected families both black and white. Overturning some calcified myths, LaRossa also analyzes the impact of suburbanization on fathers and their kids, discovering that living in the suburbs often strengthened their bond. And finally, looking beyond the idealized dad enshrined in TV sitcoms, *Of War and Men* explores the brutal side of family life in the postwar years. LaRossa's richly researched book dismantles stereotypes while offering up a fascinating and incisive chronicle of fatherhood in all its complexity.

Join the Section on Peace, War and Social Conflict, or Renew Your Membership

If you are a member of the ASA, now is the time to consider showing your support for the work of the Section on **Peace, War and Social Conflict** by joining the section or renewing your membership. To do either online, you can go to: <https://www.e-noah.net/ASA/Login.asp>

If you are not already a member of the American Sociological Association, and would like to join the Association and the Section, you can do so online by going to:

<https://www.e-noah.net/ASA/Profile/General.asp?S=1>

Any questions you might have regarding membership in the association can be addressed

to membership@asanet.org; or you can telephone the ASA at 202-383-9005, ext. 389.

“prepopulated” with e-mail addresses of section members. Individuals must subscribe.

Questions about membership in the section may be directed to Steven Scanlan at scanlans@ohio.edu

Section Listservs

Section Announcement Listserv:

Please send your announcements to any of the following officers and they can post your announcement to the listserv: Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary-Treasurer, and immediate Past Chair. Announcements are automatically sent to all section members via email. Messages are routed via peace_war-announce@listserv.asanet.org.

To be excluded from the list, email infoservice@asanet.org. A marker will be placed on your record so that your e-mail address will be excluded when the distribution list is refreshed. ASA will refresh the distribution list on a bi-monthly basis or as needed.

Section Discussion Listserv:

To join the section discussion listserv you must send an email as described below:

1. In the address field type in majordomo@listserv.asanet.org; leave subject field blank;
2. In the text of the message type **subscribe peace_war**
3. Make sure there is nothing else in the message (no signature)
4. Send the message. You will receive confirmation, and an authorization key with which to confirm that you really want to join the list. Once you reply positively to that you will get a welcome message.

The section’s discussion list, at peace_war@listserv.asanet.org, unlike the section announcement list, is not