FROM THE CHAIR’S DESK

KRISTEN MARCUSSEN, KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Hello all – as this will be my last newsletter, I would like to take this opportunity to say that it was an honor to serve as the chair of the Sociology of Mental Health section. It was certainly a year with many unexpected stressors. I know these last several months in particular have been hard on section members, our families and our broader communities. I am grateful to be a member of a vital, compassionate, and resilient network of individuals during these very challenging times. I am also inspired by the work that many of you are doing to advance research and action with respect to the global crises we face. I hope that connecting with your colleagues this weekend will provide needed support and inspiration to you, as well.

On that note, I am happy to report that we will have three virtual mental health sessions on Saturday, August 8th and Sunday, August 9th. The two regular sessions have been combined into one session with six papers on stress and stigma (Saturday). We also have two section sessions with nine presentations between them (Sunday). Finally, we will also be holding an Awards Reception (Sunday) to present our section awards for 2020. Although the Pearlin Award presentation is postponed until next year, we will be presenting the award to Phyllis Moen on Sunday. To join any or all of these sessions, you must be registered for the meetings (registration is free for ASA members) and logged into the ASA website. Links for the live presentations are provided in the online program. This special edition of our late summer newsletter provides information about each of these sessions. Thanks to all of the organizers for putting together such fantastic sessions. I encourage you to check out the ASA website to read the abstracts for the papers if you cannot attend the sessions this weekend.

I also want to thank outgoing council for their service and commitment to the section: Alisa Lincoln (Past Chair), Brea Perry (Secretary/Treasurer), Lijun Song (Nominations Chair), Teresa Scheid (Awards Chair), and Tanya Whitworth (Student Member). The committee has worked hard to advance the section and work together as a team during a challenging year.
Thanks too, to Richard Adams for his hard work on the section newsletter for the past six years. Please note his farewell note at the end of this edition.

Finally, I want to welcome the incoming officers to the section: Tony N. Brown (Chair Elect), Bianca Manago (Secretary/Treasurer), Fernando Rivera (Nominations Chair), Elaine Wethington (Awards Chair), and Max Coleman (Student Member). I look forward to working with all of you in the upcoming year.

Hope to “see” many of you this weekend!

Kristen

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Presiders: Christy LaShaun Erving, Vanderbilt and Alisa K. Lincoln, Northeastern University

Organizer: Alisa K. Lincoln, Northeastern University

Presentations:

Mental Health Among Ethnically Diverse Asian Immigrants: Re-evaluating the Stress Process Paradigm
Yvonne Chen, Vanderbilt University and Christy LaShaun Erving, Vanderbilt University

Status Variation in Anticipatory Stressors and Their Associations with Depressive Symptoms
Matthew K. Grace, Hamilton College

Stressful Anticipation of Police Brutality and the Mental Health of Racialized Populations
Sirry Alang, Lehigh University, Donna D. McAlpine, University of Minnesota, and Malcolm McClain, Greater Newark Conservancy, Newark, New Jersey

The Intergenerational Transmission of Gender Role Attitudes and Implications for Mental Health in Mid-Adulthood
Blair Wheaton, University of Toronto

The Power of Self-Labels: Examining Self-Esteem Consequences for Youth with Mental Health Problems
Lexi Harari, University of California, Riverside, Sharon S. Oselin, University of California-Riverside, and Bruce G. Link, University of California-Riverside

Doubly Deviant: The Stigma Consequences of Mental Illnesses That Converge With/Diverge from Demographic Stereotypes
Bianca Manago, Vanderbilt University, and Hannah Regan, Vanderbilt University

115th ASA Annual Meeting
August 8-11, 2020

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8th
Regular Sessions (combined)
1144 - Mental Health: Addressing Stress and Stigma
8:30 to 10:30am PDT (11:30am to 1:30pm EDT)
SUNDAY, AUGUST 9th
Sociology of Mental Health Section Sessions

2342 - Integrative Approaches to Studying Mental Health Disparities
12:30 to 2:10pm PDT (3:30 to 5:10pm EDT)
Presider & Discussant: Alex E. Bierman, University of Calgary
Organizers: Brittany Nicole Hearne, University of Arkansas & Robin W. Simon, Wake Forest University

Presentations:
The “Labor vs. Worth Tax”: Making Sense of Educational Debt in a Racialized Society.
Faith M. Deckard, University of Texas-Austin, Bridget Goosby, University of Texas-Austin, and Jacob E. Cheadle, The University of Texas at Austin
Jessica Rose Goodkind, University of New Mexico-Albuquerque, Julieta Ferrera, University of Maryland, David Lardier, University of New Mexico, Julia Meredith Hess, University of New Mexico School of Medicine, and Richard Neil Greene, University of New Mexico
The Association Between Multiple Chronic Conditions (MCC) and Depressive Symptoms: Intersectional Distinctions.
Christy LaShaun Erving, Vanderbilt University, and Cleothia Frazier, Vanderbilt University
Social and Structural Barriers to Autism Services Among Single Black Female Caregivers
Jennifer S. Singh, Georgia Institute of Technology

2242 - Social Networks, Social Roles, and Mental Health
10:30am to 12:10pm PDT (1:30 to 3:10pm EDT)
Presider: Katrina Leupp, Washington State University
Organizers: Katrina Leupp, Washington State University and Lijun Song, Vanderbilt University

Presentations:
Leisure Activities, Social Capital and Mental Health: A Study Among Young Adults in Switzerland
Mattia Vacchiano, Swiss National Centre of Competence in Research LIVES, and Danilo Bolano, NCCR LIVES - University of Lausanne (Switzerland)
Sexual Activity, Peer Acceptance, and Adolescent Depression Symptoms: An Exploration of the Sexual Double Standard
Brian Soller, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
The Caregiver Identity in Context: The Consequences of Identity Threat from Siblings
Marissa Rurka, Purdue University, J. Jill Suitor, Purdue University, and Megan Gilligan, Iowa State University
The Influence of Close Ties on Depression: Does Network Religiosity Matter?
Laura Upenieks, University of Texas at San Antonio
Who Migrates Matters: Maternal/Paternal Migration, Delinquent Friendships, and Depression among Left-Behind Children in China
Shichao Du, University at Albany, SUNY, and Zai Liang, State University of New York-Albany
Mental Health Awards Ceremony
2:30-3:30pm (PDT) (5:30-6:30pm EDT)
Please join us as we present this year’s mental health section awards and toast our colleagues!
Note: the Pearlin Award will be presented during the awards ceremony on Sunday. The paper presentation will take place next year in Chicago.

Leonard I. Pearlin Award: Phyllis Moen
Best Publication Award: Daniel Schneider and Kristen Harknett
Best Dissertation Award: Atsushi Narisada
Best Graduate Student Paper Award: Mary Ellen Stitt (PhD) George Usmanov (MA)

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Fred E. Markowitz, Northern Illinois University, has been awarded a Fulbright U.S. Core Scholar grant for Fall 2020 to the University of Helsinki Institute of Criminology and Legal Policy. The project is titled: “Does Psychiatric Treatment Capacity Influence Rates of Crime in Finland?”

FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR
Hi Everyone
This is my last newsletter. I have really enjoyed being Editor. It has given an opportunity to get to know lots of great members of the section. I again want to that the past Chairs and Council members for all the help they have given me over the past 6 years. I also what to thank the current Graduate Student Editor, Katie Gary, and the past Graduate Student Editor, Struther Van Horn. They made putting the newsletter together much easier.
Thanks, Richard

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