

**New York State Sociological Association  
56th Annual Meeting**

**COMMUNITY, CONFLICT, AND  
CONTROL**

**Conference Schedule**

**October 17-18, 2008**

**Buffalo State College  
1300 Elmwood Ave.  
Buffalo, NY 14222**

**Coordinated by: Timothy A. McCorry (President, NYSSA 2008)**

**Keynote Speaker: Elijah Anderson, Yale University  
“Against the Wall: Poor, Young, Black and Male”**

**Plenary Speaker: Peter St. Jean, SUNY at Buffalo  
“Lessons from Homicides: The Implications for  
Community, Conflict, and Control**

# Friday October 17, 2008

**Registration: 12:30 – 4:30 PM E.H. Butler Library Rm 210**

**Book and Poster Exhibit 12:30 - 4:30 PM E.H. Butler Library Rm 210**

**Session I: 1:00 – 2:30 PM [Panels ‘A’ - ‘C’]**

## **Panel A: Learning C. Wright Mills in Introduction to Sociology (Bacon Hall 220)**

Organizer and Panel Chair: Jeanne Cameron, Tompkins Cortland Community College  
Dryden, New York

Presenters:

“Technology’s Effect on Social Relationships,” Stephen Albonesi,

“Performing the Ivy League Role,” Ben Currens

“Social Work and Social Justice” Mallory Goyette-Luciano,

“Poverty and School Failure: Challenging Conventional Wisdom,” Anna Tate

## **Panel B: Community and Faith Based Programs for Youth (E.H. Butler Library 210)**

**Panel Chair: Kim Cattat-Mayer, SUNY Brockport**

“Examining Community Based Alternative Programs as a Pathway for Dropout Prevention and Recovery in Boston, Nicole Lavan, University of Massachusetts-Boston

“Segregation of Community Mental Health Resources for Youth: A GIS Application in Buffalo NY, Christine M. Rine, SUNY Buffalo

“Lessons Learned from a Faith-Based Mentoring Program,” Kim Cattat-Mayer, SUNY Brockport

“The History of Defining Youth: Current Implications for Identifying and Treating Delinquent Youth,” Robin M. Hartinger-Saunders, SUNY at Fredonia

“Social Support for Children Exposed to Domestic Violence, Bivette M. Stodghill, SUNY Brockport

## **Panel C: The Social Construction of Gender and Sexual Identity (Bacon Hall 117)**

**Panel Chair: Tom Weinberg, Buffalo State College**

“Border-Crossing and Trans Identity Management, Reese Kelly, SUNY Albany

“Compulsory Heterosexuality and Individual Understandings of Sexuality”, Nicole LaMarre, SUNY Albany

“Exploring Perspectives on Adolescent Female Sexual Desire,” Sarah H. Smith, SUNY Buffalo

“Intimacy and the Self: Ideals and Practices of Individualism in Heterosexual Relationships,” Daniel Santore, SUNY Albany

**Coffee Break: 2:30 – 2:45 PM**

**Session II: 2:45-4:15 PM [Panels ‘D’ – ‘G’] Various Rooms**

**Panel D: Subcultures, Social Networks, and Identity ( E.H Butler 210)**

**Panel Chair: Carolyn E. Storms, SUNY Buffalo**

“Searching for a Musical Identity: The Changing Value of Contemporary Shakuhachi Players,” Joshua Smith, Osaka University

"Game [never] Over: Insider and Outsider Perspectives on the Extensive Playing of MMORPGs," Zachary Miner, SUNY Albany

“Skateboarding: The Hierarchy of a Youth Subculture,” Tyler Dupont, University at Buffalo, SUNY

“ ‘There’s No Sorry in Roller Derby’: A Feminist Examination of Aggression and Identity of Women in the Full Contact Sport of Roller Derby,” Carolyn E. Storms, SUNY Buffalo

**Panel E: Resistance, Rationalization and the Body (Bacon 117)**

**Panel Chair: Staci Newmahr, Buffalo State College**

“The Body in Politics and Social Movements: Rethinking Resistance in Contemporary Politics,” Randolph H Hohle, D’Youville College

“‘Ow!’ is a Safeword: *Sadomasochism and the Social Construction of Pain*,” Staci Newmahr, Buffalo State College

“Rationalizing and Justifying Fraternity Hazing,” Marlon Gayadeen, SUNY Buffalo

**Panel F: Community, Conflict and Control (Bacon, 205)**

**Panel Chair: Laura McClusky, Wells College**

“Kitchen Table Politics,” Siobhan K. McCollum, York University

You Can Run, But You Can’t Hide: Escaping Abusive Husbands in Belize  
Laura J. McClusky, Wells College

Identities in Exile: Examining Tension and Conflict between Haitian and Dominican Immigrants in New York City, Huewayne A. Watson, Buffalo State College

**Panel G: Stereotypes and Representations in the Media (Bacon 220)**  
**Student Roundtable Chair-Sarah Smith, SUNY Buffalo**

“Troubled Youth”: A Look into the Perceived and Actual Life of Albany’s Youth  
Blake Kush – Siena College

“Stereotypes and Representations of Aging in the Media,” Susan Mason, Emily Darnell and Krisi Prifti, Niagara University

Social Construction and Perverted Justice, Sarah H. Smith, SUNY Buffalo

**Sociology Department Reception and Cocktail Hour: 4:30-5:30 PM Campus House**  
**NYSSA Awards Dinner: 5:30-6:45 Social Hall in Student Union**  
**Keynote Speaker: Elijah Anderson, Yale University “Against the Wall: Poor, Young, Black and Male,” 7:00-8:30 PM Bulger Communications North**

## **Saturday October 18, 2008**

**NYSSA Business Meeting with Bagels and Coffee: 8:00 – 9:00 AM (Butler Library 210B)**  
**Registration: 9:05 – 12:00 AM (E.H. Bulter- Rm. 210)**  
**Poster and Book Exhibit: 9:05 - 11:30 AM (E.H. Bulter Library 210)**

**Session III: 9:15 –10:45 AM [Panels ‘H’ - ‘K’] Various Rooms**

**Panel H: The Legacy of Racism in the United States (E. H. Butler 210)**  
**Panel Chair: Eric Krieg, Buffalo State College**

Social Institutions and Environmental Injustice: The Legacy of Racism in New York State and Buffalo, NY, Eric Krieg, Buffalo State College

“Opposition to Race-Based Policy: An American Dilemma Exposed,” Timothy D. Levonyan Radloff, SUNY Fredonia

“An Examination of College Students' Conceptualization of Race and Diversity,” Cymone Bedford, Tiphonie Copeland, Kealy Whiting, and Lumi Zogaj, Wells College

“Catholics in the Civil Rights Movement,” Paul T. Murray, Siena College

**Panel I: Identity, Affirmation, Equity, and Navigation in Higher Education (Bacon 202)**

**Panel Organizer and Chair: Amitra Wall, Buffalo State College**

Participants: Satasha Green, Buffalo State College; Hibajene Shandomo, Buffalo State College; Theresa Harris-Tigg, Buffalo State College; Kathy Wood, Buffalo State College

**Panel J: The Sociology of Sport (Bacon 225)**

**Panel Chair and Organizer: Tim Delaney, SUNY Oswego**

1<sup>st</sup> Presenter: Peter Milliman, Empire State College  
Paper Title: "Origins and Development of Lacrosse"

2<sup>nd</sup> Presenter: Tim Madigan, St. John Fisher College  
Paper Title: "Lessons Learned from Sport Films"

3<sup>rd</sup> Presenter: Tim Delaney, SUNY Oswego  
Paper Title: "The Social Aspects of Tailgating"

4th Presenter: Joseph Marren, Buffalo State College  
Paper Title: "The Role of the Press in the Modern Integration of Baseball"

**Panel K: The Sociology of Addictions (Bacon 211)**

**Panel Chair: Kornel Kumar, SUNY Brockport**

Methamphetamine: Communities in Conflict

Gary J. Metz, MS, MPA, MAC, Associate Professor and Coordinator of Substance Abuse Studies, and Kornel S. Kumar, Associate Professor and Chair of Criminal Justice, College at Brockport, State University of New York

"Addicted Families: From Conflict to Collaborative Change," Patti Follansbee, and Gary Metz, SUNY Brockport

Buzzed: Comparing Profiles for Energy Drink, Coffee, and Drug Consumption among Musicians, Kathleen Miller and Brian Quigley, SUNY Buffalo

"Factors Associated with Alcohol Abuse Among High School Seniors," Jordan Willis, SUNY Buffalo

**Coffee Break: 10:45 – 11:00 AM**

**Session IV: 11:00 –12:30 PM [Panels ‘L’ - ‘Q’] Various Rooms**

**Panel L: Social Movements and Activism (E.H. Bulter 210)**

**Panel Chair: Michael I. Niman, Buffalo State College**

“Society, Space and Direct Action,” Zac Moore, Syracuse University and SUNY-ESF

“Liberating Time and Space: The Rainbow Utopia,” Michael I. Niman, Buffalo State College

“Making Community through Ritual and Symbolism: A Case Study of Labyrinth Building,  
Marilyn Bell, D’Youville College

“Community Participation as Political Engagement,” Megan Weaver, Buffalo State College

**Panel M: Media, Popular Culture and Ideological Frames (Bacon 225)**

**Panel Chair: Paul Fuller, St. John Fisher College**

“The Truman Show” at 10: A ‘Reality’ Show Ahead of Its Time, Tim Madigan, St. John  
Fisher College

“Attitudes towards Censorship on the Radio,” Diane Carvagno, Siena College

“On Scale, Extra-Local Relations, and Ideological Frames: Investigating Globalized Interaction  
Using Institutional Ethnography,” Zac Moore, Syracuse University and SUNY-ESF

**Panel N: Sociology of Health (Bacon 211)**

**Panel Chair: Patricia E. Neff, SUNY Buffalo**

The Metamorphosis of a Monster: Changing Images Associated with Cancer  
Christopher Gallant, Hilbert College

“Neighborhood Design and its Influence on Physical Activity,” Annemarie Franczyk, Buffalo  
State College

“ADHD and Maternal Stress: A Closer Examination of Problematic Behavior,” Patricia E. Neff,  
SUNY Buffalo

“Utilizing Art Therapy to Benefit the Mental Health of Adults with Learning Disabilities”  
Rob Rein, Buffalo State College

**Panel O- The Object of Auto-ethnography (Bacon 205)**

**Panel Chair: Allen Shelton, Buffalo State College**

“Introduction to the Existential Phenomenological Sociology of Agape Love, Caring, and Leadership,” John Ernest Seem, St. John Fisher College

“The Army of Sorts”: A Philosophical Graphic Novel,” Nicholas Coulter

"The Pharmaceutical Monument: An Analysis of the New Infrastructure of Power," Wendy Hilleren, Buffalo State College

“Eiffel Towers: Notes on Coffee, Sugar and Palm trees.” Matthew Dore, Buffalo State College

**Panel P: Reconciling the American Dream and Institutional Inequality (Bacon 209)**  
**Student Roundtables Chair: Timothy McCorry, Buffalo State College**

“Cotton Mather, Benjamin Franklin and “Helping Yourself” to a Slice of the American Dream,” Ken Baker, Elmira College

“Primitive Consumption,” Watoii Rabii, Buffalo State College

“The Influence of Role on the Social Reproduction of Class,” Benjamin Currens, Tompkins Cortland Community College

“Institutional Inequality in Education,” Emily Lalka, St. John Fisher College

**Panel Q: Sociology of Education (Bacon 207)**  
**Panel Chair: Julia Hall, D’Youville College**

“Public Schools & Privatized Spaces: Notes on an Urban High School,” Julia Hall, D’Youville College

“High Stakes Testing and Teacher Resistance: New York City Schools in Era of Increased Accountability,” Bart Liguori, Cornell University

Understanding Children’s Literacy: The Influence of Parenting Style,” Rachel La Touche, SUNY at Buffalo

“The Effects of Multicultural Literature on the Reading Motivation of West Indian Students,” Marilyn Sohan, Buffalo State College

**Luncheon: 12:45 - 1:45 PM Albright Knox-Clifton Hall**

**Plenary Address 1:45-3:15-Peter St. Jean, SUNY at Buffalo, “Lessons from Homicides: The Implications for Community, Conflict, and Control.”**

**Albright Knox Op-Art Exhibit Tour: 3:15 – 4:30 PM**

