

## MSS Members Asked to Consider a Number of By-Laws Changes

By KEVIN LEICHT

*TMS Executive Editor*

On September 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, the MSS Board of Directors held their fall board meeting in Omaha, Nebraska, the site of the 2006 Annual Meetings of our society. In addition to the normal board business (reviewing preparations at the annual meetings site, passing a budget for the 2005-2006 fiscal year, and recommending new members for the important work of MSS committees) the board is bringing forward five by-laws changes as referenda for members' consideration. Some of these proposed changes would change the governance of MSS while others involve the updating of long-standing policies.

The first by-law amendment (if approved) would *extend the terms of state and at-large directors from two years to three*. The long-range planning committee (and the state directors themselves) believe that the current two-year terms for state directors are too short to effectively use the knowledge and skills that state directors acquire as they learn on the job. As several current and past directors have said, "...just as I was figuring out what to do my term was over!" This change would be effective starting in Spring 2007 for directors elected in the Fall of 2006.

The second by-law amendment would *establish the ASA Code of Ethics as the code of ethical conduct for members and officials of the MSS*. The MSS presently has no code of ethics and no procedures for adjudicating complaints about violations of standards of professional conduct. Among other things, adopting the ASA code of ethics would provide standards and procedures for adjudicating disputes regarding publications, harassment, and other issues of professional concern. While ethics complaints have been relatively rare in our association, the lack of an established code of ethics and written procedures for addressing

complaints has left the board and MSS officers without any guidance regarding procedures for addressing complaints, collecting evidence, and recommending or mandating solutions. Almost all professional associations have codes of professional ethics, and this by-law change simply gives the MSS a written code of ethics that is in line with standards in other U.S. sociological societies.

The third by-law change would *modify the charge to the Professional Issues and Standards Committee to include oversight of and compliance with ethics procedures*. In addition to adopting a code of ethics the board believes we need to charge a specific committee as the "go to" place for initiating ethics complaints. This by-laws amendment changes the mandate of the Professional Issues and Standards Committee to do just that.

The fourth by-law change would *modify the criteria for Honorary Life Membership*. Presently, the MSS confers life membership and honorary life membership separately. The by-laws change would confer one honorary designation, "Honorary Life Membership" on those who meet the criteria and are nominated by MSS members. In addition, the criteria for honorary life membership is being broadened.

The final by-laws change would *change the dues structure of the MSS for 2007*. The rationale for the dues increase is to help defray the increasing cost of the annual meeting, which exceeded \$55,000 in 2004.

| Membership Category  | Present Dues  | Proposed Dues (2007) |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Student              | \$18          | \$21                 |
| Regular              | \$50          | \$55                 |
| Joint                | \$65          | \$70                 |
| Sustaining           | \$100 or more | \$110 or more        |
| Sustaining and Joint | \$115 or more | \$140 or more        |

I strongly encourage you to read and consider these changes and (most importantly) to vote on these amendments to our by-laws.

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**NEWS DEADLINE:** For the January 2006 issue of *The Midwest Sociologist*, departmental newsnotes, submissions and reports from officers and committees must be received by December 15, 2005. Send to Kevin Leicht, Department of Sociology, 140W Seashore Hall, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242; email: [midwest-sociologist@uiowa.edu](mailto:midwest-sociologist@uiowa.edu)  
It is now possible to join MSS, renew your membership, and change your address all ON-LINE at <http://www.themss.org>.

# MSS Membership by States

|              | 1993        | 1994        | 1995        | 1996        | 1997        | 1998        | 1999        | 2000        | 2001        | 2002        | 2003        | 2004        | 2005        |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Illinois     | *206        | 256         | *275        | *218        | 213         | 214         | 210         | *298        | 294         | 281         | *295        | 177         | 195         |
| Iowa         | 127         | 128         | 134         | 113         | *136        | 125         | 122         | 115         | 125         | 107         | 95          | 90          | 102         |
| Kansas       | 84          | 81          | 78          | 71          | 64          | 108         | 87          | 99          | 91          | 86          | 85          | 92          | 72          |
| Minnesota    | 98          | 103         | 120         | 92          | 109         | 98          | *104        | 114         | 117         | 120         | 117         | 92          | *167        |
| Missouri     | 109         | *137        | 105         | 95          | 100         | *131        | 107         | 116         | *115        | 96          | 108         | *121        | 109         |
| Nebraska     | 60          | 59          | 72          | 60          | 60          | 78          | 74          | 68          | 59          | 58          | 60          | 59          | 65          |
| North Dakota | 21          | 21          | 26          | 23          | 24          | 20          | 25          | 16          | 13          | 12          | 11          | 15          | 21          |
| South Dakota | 21          | 23          | 21          | 26          | 34          | 29          | 29          | 33          | 37          | 28          | 31          | 28          | 30          |
| Wisconsin    | 108         | 96          | 126         | 78          | 84          | 78          | 65          | 72          | 72          | *86         | 98          | 74          | 108         |
| Other        | 274         | 317         | 320         | 261         | 271         | 318         | 283         | 348         | 311         | 258         | 310         | 291         | 326         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>1108</b> | <b>1221</b> | <b>1277</b> | <b>1037</b> | <b>1095</b> | <b>1199</b> | <b>1106</b> | <b>1279</b> | <b>1234</b> | <b>1132</b> | <b>1210</b> | <b>1039</b> | <b>1195</b> |

\*Indicates the state in which the annual meeting was held.

## Editor's Note:

*MSS extends its gratitude to Christy Wolfe, who served as TMS Editor from 2001-2005. She transformed this newsletter to better serve the MSS membership. Thank you!*

*The TMS is currently in editorial transition. If you have any comments or suggestion on how TMS can better serve you, please e-mail us at [Midwest-sociologist@uiowa.edu](mailto:Midwest-sociologist@uiowa.edu).*

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*The Midwest Sociologist*

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# 2005 Additional Committee Reports

## Publications Committee

After the meeting was called to order, Peter Kivisto provided a report on *The Sociological Quarterly*. The transition to the new publisher of *TSQ*, Blackwell, is going smoothly. Representatives from Blackwell attended the meeting and discussion with them centered on member benefits. Blackwell is in the process of digitizing all back issues of *TSQ* and MSS members will be provided with free access to this digitized catalogue once the process is complete.

An important new issue that the committee discussed was the possibility of establishing an MSS book award. A number of other societies provide such an award and the general consensus within the group was that the MSS should follow suit. Given the time demands associated with the review process, however, committee members felt that a new committee should be established to administer the award.

Cliff Staples is the new chair of the Publications Committee. Gloria Jones Johnson and Cornelia Flora are in charge of the 2006 student paper competition which is in honor of Helena Znaniecka Lopata.

**SUBMITTED BY**  
**ERIC HANLEY, PUBLICATIONS**  
**COMMITTEE CHAIR**

## Student Issues Committee

This year's Student Issues Committee meeting began with the introduction of the current chair of the committee, Geraldine Hendrix, and new MSS Student Director (2005-2007), Allison Hicks. Geraldine, a student at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, worked with MSS President Rob Benford on this year's program for the meetings in Minneapolis, and Allison, a student at University of Colorado, will work with the President-Elect, Peter and Patti Adler on next year's program for the conference in Omaha.

We discussed the reimbursement drawing offered to all MSS student members, wherein 60 students received a \$100 reimbursement check for their participation in the meetings. The Student Hospitality Suite was a success; however, we were out of snacks within the first two days of the meetings! Next year, we plan to have an onsite student liaison in Omaha to assist in the maintenance of the suite. Please contact Geraldine at [gera133@siu.edu](mailto:gera133@siu.edu) if you know of someone who would be interested in serving the MSS in this capacity. The first 300 students to register also received lunch vouchers (valued at \$10.00 each) to be used in the Marriott's restaurant facility.

The committee plans to develop a student essay contest.

This essay, different and distinct from the MSS Student Paper Competitions, will have a focused title and the winner(s) will receive a monetary award. This proposal is still in the developmental stage and will be presented to the board for its approval at the 2005 Fall Board Meeting. Please contact [gera133@siu.edu](mailto:gera133@siu.edu) if you have suggestions or comments regarding this essay contest. Additionally, due to the lack of participation by committee members, we decided to present at the 2005 Fall Board Meetings a proposal for induction of new Student Issue Committee members.

The Student Issues Committee will start work on the creation of a Student Director Handbook/Manual in order to prepare future student directors for their position as chair of this committee and their task of assisting future president-elects in the development of the MSS meeting program.

Thank you to all who helped make the 2005 MSS Annual Meetings a success and we look forward to great student participation at the 2006 conference in Omaha!

**SUBMITTED BY**  
**GERALDINE HENDRIX,**  
**STUDENT ISSUES COMMITTEE CHAIR**

## MSS: People & State News

### MSS Welcomes New Midwest Sociologists

- Grinnell University welcomes Luis Fernandez, PhD from Arizona State University.

- The Department of Sociology at The University of Iowa welcomes:

Steve Hitlin, PhD from University of Wisconsin. Areas of specialization include social psychology, self and identity, values, morality, social theory, and gender.

Michael Sauder, PhD from Northwestern University. Areas of specialization include social theory, inequality, and organizations.

- The Department of Sociology at Mt. Mercy University welcomes Jo Dohoney, PhD, Assistant Professor.

- The Department of Sociology & Anthropology at Cornell College in Mount Vernon, IA, welcomes Erin Calhoun Davis, PhD, as an assistant professor. Previously, Dr. Davis taught at Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

- The Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology at UNI welcomes:

Xavier Escandell, Ph.D. in Sociology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Assistant Professor of Sociology. Areas of specialization include international migration and transnationalism, race/ethnic inequality, social demography, labor markets, research methods.

Gayle Rhineberger, Ph.D. in Sociology, Western Michigan University, Assistant Professor of Criminology. Areas of specialization include communities and crime, Criminal Logical Theory, media and crime, ethics.

## MSS RESPONDS TO HURRICANE KATRINA

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## WSA, ISA, WPSA Joint Meeting

*“Taking Sociology into the  
Real World: Teaching,  
Learning, Sharing, and  
Assessing.”*

Oct. 13 – 14, 2005

Milwaukee, WI.

The Wisconsin Sociological Association, the Illinois Sociological Association, and the Wisconsin Political Science Association will meet jointly this year at Alverno College, Milwaukee, WI on October 13th and 14th.

Keynote speakers are Midwest Sociological Society members and distinguished educators Diane Pike, Augsburg College, Minneapolis, MN, whose speech is entitled, “Not Rocket Science: Teaching, Learning, and Engagement,” and Stephen Sharkey, Alverno College, Milwaukee, WI, whose address is entitled, “Feedback Loops, Self-Assessment, and Learning to Think Like a Sociologist.” Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett has also been invited to attend and may address the conference.

## 43rd Annual MSS Student Paper Competition In Honor of Helena Znaniecka Lopata

The Midwest Sociological Society takes great pleasure in announcing its 2006 Student Paper Competition. The competition is open to student members of the Midwest Sociological Society. You must be an active member to have your paper considered for an award. Graduate and undergraduate papers are judged in separate divisions with prizes in each division. Prizes consists of a waiver of the MSS Annual Meeting registration fee plus the following amounts to be used to defray the costs of attending the meeting:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$250      2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$150      3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$100

Students may nominate their own work, or, with the student's permission, advisors may submit papers on their student's behalf. The MSS reserves the right not to award prizes; it may also award second and/or third prizes without awarding a first prize.

### The Rules for the 2006 Competition

1. The competition is open to student members of the MSS enrolled in a college or university in Wisconsin, South Dakota, North Dakota, Nebraska, Missouri, Minnesota, Kansas, Iowa or Illinois. Student members of the Midwest Sociological Society from other states and foreign countries are also eligible.
2. Papers may be co-authored by students, but not by students and faculty. A student can be an author or co-author on only one paper in the competition. The maximum text length is 25 double-spaced pages (12 font), not counting an abstract, references, tables or figures.
3. All papers involving human subjects' research must have Institutional Review Board approval, or an equivalent review procedure described in the methodology.
4. The name, institutional affiliation, and the graduate or undergraduate status of the author(s) must not appear in the text or the abstract. The title of the paper, however, must be repeated at the top of the first page of the text.
5. The name, telephone number, mailing address of the student's advisor and the undergraduate or graduate status of the student must be included on a cover page.
6. Students who submit papers to this competition may submit the same paper to sessions at the Annual Meeting and/or to the editor of *The Sociological Quarterly* for publication consideration.
7. Submissions must be received by **January 16, 2006**. Papers must be submitted **electronically**, as an email attachment to:

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# Surprising Omaha!

## 2006 Annual Meeting

BY PETER AND PATTI ADLER

*Co-Presidents Elect and Program Chairs*

There are a lot of reasons to go to a professional conference, such as keeping up with the latest scholarship, enjoying the camaraderie of seeing old friends and making new ones, renewing your motivation for teaching and research, and simply for the fun of getting out of town. Rarely, however, is the hotel a reason to go. The Hilton in Omaha breaks the mold for what you might have come to expect.

This hotel is wonderful! It's brand new (about a year old), and the rooms, the furnishings, the exhibit space, and the layout are beautiful, modern, bright, airy, and classy. Members of our advance team ate in the restaurant. The food, reasonably priced, was a delight to the senses of sight, smell, and taste. The lobby is spacious, filled with places to hang around, sit, and eat.

There's a lovely open bar area, and a snack/coffee space with tables and chairs. The area around the ballrooms on the Convention floor (all meeting rooms are on the same floor) is enclosed with floor-to-ceiling glass walls that open onto a wide vista that lets in plenty of light. The book exhibit area is large, the room for undergraduate poster sessions and roundtables very spacious, and the session rooms are clean, easy to find, and all are centrally located. Nearly all meeting rooms have windows to the outside. There is a large gym with brand-new equipment and a swimming pool and hot tub.

The people at the hotel are uniformly nice. It's the kind of nice that you see in the smaller American cities, where they are not overwhelmed and therefore don't have the need to busy themselves or shut themselves off from strangers. The airport was small but modern and efficient. The hotel has free shuttles that can pick you up, and they are only 10 minutes away from the airport. And with Omaha's central location in our region,

it is within good driving distance for many of our members. Compared to most urban hotels, daily parking rates are cheap.

The market area, which is six blocks from the hotel, is a cobblestone-paved walking and parking area where the lovely shops and trendy restaurants are located. It is charming, with lots of good eats and shopping! This area offers us one central location where we can go for all of our off-property visits that is safe and concentrated. Local students will be leading our grads and undergrads on a city bar and club expedition guided by people in the know. Other local features will be a walking tour on Saturday morning, highlighting the little-known fact that Omaha has become a destination city for immigrants from many countries, and tours of the Gallup University Center on Friday, with behind-the-scenes exclusive peeks into how Gallup University does their analysis, for groups of 25 on a first-come, sign-up basis.

In all, the Hilton and Omaha are a surprisingly wonderful experience! The open ambiance, the clean, modern, and new conference area, and the way the hotel is laid out will enhance our group's ability to have some intimate interactions with each other in a way that is sometimes lost in a more labyrinthine city and hotel situation. This social environment will foster a 2006 conference that will be warm, productive, and exciting. Please come and enjoy with us!

Presenters must submit drafts of papers, outlines, ideas, or abstracts to session organizers by **October 31**. If you have a paper that does not seem to fit one of our proposed sessions, please send it directly to Allison Hicks (Allison.Hicks@colorado.edu), Student Director, and/or to us (socypof@hotmail.com) and we will find a home for you. ***Please note that for the first time we will be featuring online submission through a link on the MSS website.*** Instructions for how to submit appear in pages eight and nine in this newsletter or at the MSS website. Completed papers should be sent to discussants by **March 6** so that your discussant will have enough time to make thoughtful comments.

# Submission Information & Upload Advice

**The following information will help you submit your paper for the MSS Annual Meetings in Omaha, NE, March 30-April 2, 2006. Please direct any questions to [allison-hicks@colorado.edu](mailto:allison-hicks@colorado.edu).**

**Deadlines:**  
**Papers/abstracts to session organizers: October 31, 2005**  
**Final session lists: December 1, 2005**  
**Papers to discussants: March 6, 2006**

**SUBMIT PAPERS AT <http://www.conferencemgt.com/conf/mss06.html>**

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## 2006 UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH POSTER SESSION

### **Purpose:**

The Poster Session is designed to feature undergraduate work in Sociology and promote interaction between all members of the *Midwest Sociological Society*. "A poster presentation consists of an exhibit of materials that report research activities or informational resources in visual and summary form. Poster presentations provide a unique platform that facilitates personal discussion of work with interested colleagues and allows meeting attendees to browse through highlights of current research and ideas." ASA

### **Content:**

Undergraduate students experience and study the "art" of sociology in many ways. This session is designed to feature these experiences and studies. Posters may present original research and data collection, theoretical works and applications, studies of public policy using sociological frameworks, as well as other forms of being engaged with the sociological imagination.

### **Expectations of Poster Presenters:**

Students should be available to answer questions and ask questions of fellow poster presenters to encourage discussion the day of the Poster session.

### **How to Submit a Poster:**

Students must submit the following information to the MSS online submission link at the MSS website [<http://www.themss.org/>] or send it by electronic mail to Timothy Buzzell [tim.buzzell@bakeru.edu](mailto:tim.buzzell@bakeru.edu), Associate Professor of Sociology:

1. Poster Title:
2. Author(s): (if there is more than one author indicate with an asterisk (\*) the principal author responsible for presenting the poster with address and email information)
3. Faculty Sponsor: (must be a current member of MSS; provide current address and email)
4. Abstract: (a summary of your poster in 100 words or less)

### **Other Information:**

The Students Poster session is for undergraduate students who are also student members of the Midwest Sociological Society. Poster presentations are treated like other submissions for sessions at the MSS. Presenters must have a faculty sponsor.

### **Deadline for Submission:**

All abstracts must be RECEIVED by October 31, 2005.

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