CRIMINOLOGY AND THE SOCIOLOGY OF DEVIANCE

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Steven Messner organized a symposium for the most recent American Sociological Association annual meetings to discuss the current state of the sociology of deviance and share ideas about how to move the field forward. His charge to the panel (which also included Rosemary Gartner, Robert Sampson, and Charles Tittle) was to identify important developments in the field, areas of exceptional promise, and predictions about the future. Whereas that presentation was geared toward generating interest among sociologists in researching deviance, however, this essay offers some observations about how we criminologists might leverage some of the classical insights and contemporary advances in the sociology of deviance.

Deviance is a rich and wide-ranging concept, generally considered more inclusive than crime and less subject to the political process involved in defining acts as illegal (see, e.g., Title and Paternoster 2000:20). Moreover, the sociology of deviance offers a powerful set of general conceptual tools, such as norms and norm violation, and stigma and its management, to study phenomena closely linked to criminological theory and research. For example, the study of illicit drug use leads naturally to the study of licit substances; desistance researchers often become concerned with broader issues involving the adjustment or reintegration of former prisoners; and, students of the correctional system are often led to consider medicalization and other systems of social control. In short, although ASC members share a common concern with the study of crime and criminal justice, many (though certainly not all) criminologists are perhaps more comfortably ensconced under a broader umbrella classification as “deviance” researchers.

This essay emphasizes certain intersections of criminology and deviance in hopes of drawing out some useful themes and highlighting areas that have received relatively little research attention. In the spirit of my charge to be bold and provocative in this forum, I begin with three unqualified assertions. First, stigma and deviant labels have decisive effects on individual life chances and on American political and economic institutions. Second, were Emile Durkheim alive today, he would likely be conducting observations of sex offender community notification meetings. Third, the sociology of deviance occupies a cultural space analogous to heavy metal music. If readers will indulge me in explaining these seemingly unrelated observations, I will argue that together they help account for both the centrality of deviance to criminology and its apparent underrepresentation (at least as deviance qua deviance) in our major journals.

CRIMINOLOGY AND STIGMA

Life course criminology represents one area that has enjoyed real progress in recent years, examining whether and how the causes and consequences of crime differ at different life course stages. A related line of research takes up the question of desistance from crime (Maruna 2001), with policy interest in reentry geared toward facilitating the social reintegration of offenders and their exit from deviant roles. Putting aside any pre-existing differences between offenders and non-offenders, one of the reasons that the
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task of exiting a deviant career is so difficult is the stigma of punishment and the formal application of deviant labels. Beyond the classic early statements on labeling, John Hagan’s (1993) conception of criminal embeddedness has become especially useful in this regard: punishment and stigma act to embed individuals in institutions and social relationships that make deviance more likely and conventional success less likely. Today, convicted felons bear a permanent public mark that often restricts their abilities to work, raise children, vote, obtain housing, receive public assistance, and even to remain legal residents of the United States (Mauer and Chesney-Lind 2002). When stigma carries with it such a multiplicity of diffuse consequences – all plausibly linked to crime and recidivism – the impact of stigma on any particular circumstance is likely to be small relative to its combined effects (Link and Phelan 2001). Of course, stigma goes beyond formal sanctions or their collateral consequences. To borrow a phrase from Catherine MacKinnon’s description of sexual harassment, the influence of informal deviant labels is so pervasive as to be almost invisible.

As U.S. correctional populations have increased, several lines of research have begun to trace this influence by linking deviant stigma with other social institutions and treating crime and punishment as independent as well as dependent variables. In economic life, Bruce Western and colleagues have shown how criminal punishment has emerged as a powerful labor market institution (Western 2002; Western and Beckett 1999). In political life, my work with Jeff Manza (2002) suggests that the disenfranchisement of a large number of “lost felon voters” with distinct political preferences is likely to have altered presidential elections and the composition of the U.S. Senate.

DURKHEIM AT THE COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION MEETING

Aside from such macro-level studies, however, community-level research is needed to understand the consequences of deviant labels for former criminal offenders and the neighborhoods to which they return. For this reason, I submit that sex offender community notification meetings offer an underutilized research setting in the sociology of deviance. In my home state of Minnesota, about 150 notification meetings have been held with a total attendance of over 50,000 citizens. The offender is typically escorted into a public meeting area (e.g., a high school gymnasium) along with a local law enforcement official, someone from the state department of corrections, a probation or parole officer, a victim services provider, and a representative from the local school district. This certainly illustrates a Durkheimian division of labor, but more importantly it represents a crucial for rendering community values, with discussion often centered on the mutual rights and responsibilities of the state, the community, and the former offender. Such meetings help define and maintain the boundaries between normal and pathological behavior and often exhibit “the collective effervescence” of an intense social gathering similar to those described in the Elementary Forms of Religious Life. A Durkheimian analysis could help explain how we create new rules and legal categories of deviance (such as involuntary civil commitment for those classified as sexually dangerous predators and held beyond the terms of their sentences), create institutions for enforcing these rules, and a community’s role in marking and enforcing these boundaries. Moreover, a classic literature directs attention to these settings, with Edwin Sutherland (1950) offering a prescient analysis of publicity, fear, and the diffusion of sexual psychopath laws. Although there are many good descriptive accounts of such processes, to my knowledge there have been surprisingly few recent sociological analyses that use these research settings to develop or test theories of crime, law, and deviance.

Without belaboring the case or privileging Durkheim’s functionalism over other models, my view is that sociological criminologists could gain greater traction in explaining contemporary developments (and connecting them together) by grounding ourselves in classical theory. For example, I would argue that Max Weber would today be interested in sexual harassment law and grievance procedures and that he has provided a strong conceptual framework to make sense of these phenomena. Sexual harassment represents an ideal research case for the study of irrational behavior in rational organizations, the legitimacy of authority, and processes of power and domination. In the last 25 years we have witnessed the emergence of this new legal form, with written rules codified in grievance procedures and case law. Such a framing of the issue could help explain why sexual harassment developed as a form of criminal sexual violence in nations such as France, but a civil action connected to workplace sex discrimination in the United States (Saguy 2000). Karl Marx, the third member of the classical sociological theory power trio, would no doubt be writing today about mass incarceration and the economics of prison expansion. Perhaps he would also be thinking about the commodification of deviance — how certain deviant signs, behaviors, and sometimes whole subcultures are packaged and sold for mass consumption. For example, such commodification could be considered as a life course process, with tattoos and piercings in adolescence and young adulthood now emerging as an important part of identity formation.

These crude and disparate sketches are only meant to show that by pitching contemporary research at a classical level of abstraction we might gain a useful perspective on how criminology relates to individual life chances and broader social processes. More specifically, I would argue for a renewed attention to rulemaking and the perspectives of deviants themselves, as evidenced in more recent classics in the deviance literature, such as Howard Becker’s (1963) Outsiders. For example, a research focus on rulemaking would help explain the origins and consequences of various collateral civil penalties for convicted felons (e.g., Behrens et al. 2003; Mauer and Chesney-Lind 2002). Adopting an “unconventional sentimentality” and considering such sanctions from the perspective of reentering ex-felons may also help reveal how stigma is experienced and its relative importance in the process of desistance.
BARRIERS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Of course, there are numerous barriers to doing criminology from a sociology of deviance perspective. First, the lived experiences of criminologists make it difficult to study certain phenomena. For example, I often feel ill-equipped to investigate some forms of corporate wrongdoing, probably because my work experience has been limited to academic, criminal justice, and low-wage survival work. In my view, more criminologists need to capitalize on their “secret advantages” (Simon 1996), whether they are a member of a stigmatized group or even the scion of an industrialist. I recall on one of my first job interviews the candid observation of an eminent senior criminologist, who wondered aloud whether “you young criminologists have done enough crime to make any sense of it” (I assured him that I had). There are also institutional barriers in the discipline and in our own careers to keeping up with a changing social world. One journal editor remarked that his first consideration was always “do we really want to publish a first-rate paper on this topic?” Such priorities suggest that it is likely to be easier to publish in an existing line of research— to add another “X” variable to a well established “Y” -- than to study an altogether new or under-researched phenomenon.

In general, I think we should do everything we can, institutionally and personally, to open up the marketplace of ideas to further development in criminology and the sociology of deviance. As in any marketplace, of course, there are market distortions, and good ideas may go unnoticed. Jeff Manza once suggested removing all nametags at professional meetings, and with them any deference and derogation, as a form of radical egalitarianism. Specialization is also a barrier. Many of us have new ideas we would like to pursue, but are wary of the start-up costs. Frankly, it is often difficult to retool and write in new areas, and it may take years to learn the “secret handshake” needed to pass the gatekeepers and find an audience for one’s work.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, the scientific study of deviance is tarnished by the reputations of the groups we study. It remains difficult to study “sex offenders” and stigmatized groups, no matter how systematic, compelling, or important this work will be to understanding disistance and reintegration. Nevertheless, the most exciting studies of deviance often emerge from investigations of the “interstitial areas” between established literatures (to borrow Thrasher’s fine term), and even “ignoble texts” on the periphery of respectability. Since the root of much creative work is in juxtaposing unlike ideas, images, or actions, progress in this area is likely to be enhanced by the increasing interdisciplinarity of the ASC and the productive collaborative efforts of its members.

DEVIANCE AND HEAVY METAL

To paraphrase Eugene O’Neill, before we can understand the meaning of crime and deviance we must learn to understand the facts about ourselves – ugly as they may seem to our sentimental vanity. I suspect that criminologists studying deviance erect and enforce some of the professional barriers noted above for reasons of legitimacy. While crime experts and government officials often enjoy great prestige within and outside our discipline, I would argue that students of deviant behavior generally occupy a place in public consciousness akin to that of heavy metal musicians. To draw this analogy, I rely on my own “secret advantage” as a former music critic. As the All Music Guide (AMG, 2003) describes the genre:

“Heavy metal has been controversial nearly throughout its existence — critics traditionally dismissed the music as riddled with over-the-top adolescent theatrics, and conservative groups have often protested what they perceive as evil lyrical content. Still, despite — or perhaps because of — those difficulties, heavy metal has become one of the most consistently popular forms of rock music ever created, able to adapt to the times yet keep its core appeal intact.”

So too, research in the sociology of deviance is often dismissed by critics in other areas and even challenged as evil by the public. There are clearly defined core and fringe areas of both enterprises, with some forms enjoying broad crossover appeal and others relegated to specialists. Elite musicians and bands (or professors and departments) are dominant, and their compositions receive a large share of the available airplay. Like popular musicians, we also draw distinctions that may be difficult for outsiders to fathom. A musician may argue vociferously that her band does not sound like U2 (even if it does), just as a life course criminologist may argue that her research does not sound like Sampson and Laub. Nevertheless, in spite of these parallels and the irreducibly controversial nature of its subject matter, deviance research remains central to both criminology and sociology and will continue to adapt to the times with its core appeal intact.
REFERENCES


TO OUR MEMBERS

Nati Cohen, beloved wife of Professor Albert Cohen, passed away Saturday, March 29. Nati was a lovely and delightful lady who attended the annual meetings with Dr. Cohen and had many friends among the ASC membership. Our thoughts and prayers go with Dr. Cohen. Condolences may be sent to Dr. Cohen at 3405 Florida Street, #206, San Diego, CA 92104 (619/692-1071).
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After six extremely productive years, the editorial term of Robert J. Bursik, Jr. has come to an end. Beginning April 1, 2003, the editor of CRIMINOLOGY will be Ray Paternoster. As in the past, those wishing to submit manuscripts for review should send four (4) copies of their manuscript and a $10 processing fee (graduate students are exempted from the $10 fee). Manuscripts should now be sent to:

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The Conference will be held at the Paris Renaissance Hotel from Thursday, May 13 through Saturday, May 15, 2004. Arrangements have been made for sleeping rooms at the Paris Renaissance Hotel at the rate of 250 Euros/night. They can be contacted at 33-1-41-97-50-50 (phone); 33-1-41-97-51-51 (fax); Rhi.parid.events1@renaissancehotels.com. Sleeping room reservation forms are available at www.asc41.com/2004hotelparis.

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March 12, 2003

The Editor
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Dear Madame/Sir:

The passing of Don M. Gottfredson last year was a very sad occasion for those of us who had the opportunity to know and work with and learn from Don. His contributions to the field of criminal justice were immense, and his impact is felt in countless ways. He was not only an outstanding practitioner, researcher, and thinker, but perhaps even more importantly, an outstanding person.

In 1973, Don was called upon to create and lead the School of Criminal Justice at Rutgers-Newark, where he served as dean until 1986. He built the foundation for what has become one of the elite criminal justice programs in the nation. Thus, here at Rutgers, the loss was particularly significant. Our faculty, students and alumni will miss Dean Don.

As great as his accomplishments here were, Don's contributions went far beyond Rutgers. He was, for example, a leader in two of the nation's foremost criminal justice institutions: the National Council on Crime and Delinquency, whose research he directed from 1965 to 1973, and the American Society of Criminology, of which he was president in 1986-1987. After leaving the deanship, Don served as chair of the New Jersey Criminal Disposition Commission, and then became president of the Justice Policy Research Corporation in Sacramento. Earlier, Don had been an advisor to the 1967 President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice, and subsequently to the National Institute of Justice, and to many other state and federal criminal justice agencies.

To honor Don's memory, as well as his many scholarly contributions, the Rutgers School of Criminal Justice will rename its library the Don M. Gottfredson Library of Criminal Justice at a ceremony in October 2003. I anticipate that many in the field of criminal justice will want to be part of this celebration. I invite you to contact me to let me know how you would like to contribute a celebration of Don's life and work.

Sincerely,

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The Division Student Affairs Committee will judge entries based on the following criteria: the significance of the topic, contribution to the area of corrections and/or sentencing, command of the relevant work in the field of study, appropriate use of methodology, and the quality of the writing.

Deadline: July 21, 2003. Please submit your papers to: Jody L. Sundt, Center for the Study of Crime, Delinquency and Corrections, Mail Code 4504, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale IL 62901-4504. For additional information contact Jody Sundt at 618-453-6371 or email her at jlsundt@siu.edu.

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DIVISION OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINOLOGY

2003 Awards Announcement

Annual Distinguished International Scholar Award
The Division of International Criminology (DIC) is soliciting nominations for the DIC 2003 Distinguished International Scholar Award. The DIC offers the award to a non-United States scholar who has made a significant contribution to fostering research and exchange of information concerning criminology in an international perspective or a scholar whose work has been of particular interest to criminologists in the United States. Before sending in a nomination, please do the following: (1) ascertain whether the scholar would be willing and able to come to the conference and (2) obtain a brief resume from him or her. Please send nominations by June 1, 2003 to the Chair of the Distinguished International Scholar Award Committee: Dr. Liquan Cao, Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI 48197, Tel. 313 487 0012, Fax 313 487 7010, Email: liquan.cao@emich.edu

Annual Distinguished Book Award
The Division of International Criminology (DIC) is seeking nominations for the 2003 Distinguished Book Award. Self-nominations are encouraged. This award is offered for a comparative book on crime, deviance or social control, published in 2002. Authors from any country may be nominated. Multiple-authored books, including edited collections, are eligible. Please send nominations by July 1, 2003 to the Chair of the Distinguished Book Award Committee: Dr. Ineke Haen Marshall, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Nebraska-Omaha, Omaha NE 68182-0149, Telephone 402 554 3898, Fax 402 554 2326, Email: imarshall@mail.unomaha.edu
POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CRIMINOLOGIST will regularly feature in these columns position vacancies available in organizations and universities, as well as positions sought by members of the Society. A charge of $150.00 with the absolute maximum of 250 words allowed will be made. A charge of $75.00 will be charged to institutional members of ASC to place a position announcement in the newsletter.

It is the policy of the ASC to publish position vacancies announcements only from those institutions or agencies which subscribe to equal education and employment opportunities and those which encourage women and minorities to apply. Institutions should indicate the deadline for the submission of application materials.

To place announcements in THE CRIMINOLOGIST, send all material to: Sarah Hall, ASC, 1114 Kinnear Road, Suite 212, Columbus, OH 43212-1156. Telephone (614)292-9207, Fax (614)292-6767.

When sending announcements, please include a phone number, fax number and contact person in the event we have questions about an ad.

The Professional Employment Exchange will be a regular feature at each Annual Meeting. Prospective employers and employees should register with the Society no later than three weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the Society. The cost is $100 to register online at www.asc41.com/employex.html. Dr. Ken Adams (keadams@iupui.edu) is in charge of the website Employment Exchange.

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Department of Psychology invites applications for a Faculty Research Associate position on an interdisciplinary longitudinal study of serious juvenile offenders. Disciplines represented in the research team include Psychology, Sociology, and Criminal Justice. Required: MA or MS in a related field and experience/training in quantitative methodology. Desired: expertise in longitudinal modeling techniques, multilevel modeling and/or categorical data analysis, and data management experience. Submit a letter of application, vita, and three letters of recommendation to: George Knight, PhD, Department of Psychology, BOX 871104, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287-1104 or email george.knight@asu.edu. Deadline is May 16, 2003; if not filled, weekly thereafter until search closed. Questions may also be addressed to laurie.chassin@asu.edu. AA/EOE

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

The School of Policy and Management seeks to fill a tenure-track assistant professor position in criminal justice. A Ph.D. in criminal justice, criminology, sociology, political science, or related field is required. ABD candidates who show exceptional promise as scholars and are near completion of their dissertations will be considered. Candidates with only a J.D. will not be considered. Qualified applicants who applied for the previously advertised open rank search will automatically be considered for this search. Applicants should demonstrate the potential for developing a strong record in research and teaching. Areas of specialization are open. Salary will be nationally competitive and commensurate with experience. We offer a competitive teaching load, with full junior and most senior research faculty members enjoying a 2/2 teaching assignment. Faculty members are also afforded the opportunity for summer teaching, allowing them to earn up to one-third of their 9-month salary, as well as the option of earning extra compensation by teaching additional classes in our off-campus programs. Additionally, FIU encourages faculty to secure grants by offering monetary incentives. FIU is a Carnegie I Research Institution with over 35,000 students. It is among the fastest growing public universities in the United States. The University offers excellent library and computer facilities, with a rapidly expanding infrastructure for sponsored research and extramural funding. The Criminal Justice Program currently has 12 full-time faculty members, enrolls about 600 students, and offers the Bachelor and Master of Science in Criminal Justice. Interested applicants should submit a letter of application, curriculum vita, and three letters of reference to: Chair, Criminal Justice Search Committee, School of Policy and Management, PCA-257, Florida International University, Miami, FL 33199, http://chaa.fiu.edu. Closing date for applications is May 1, 2003. FIU is an Equal Opportunity Employer and applications from members of historically underrepresented groups are especially encouraged to apply.

RESEARCH TRIANGLE INSTITUTE

The Research Triangle Institute (RTI) is seeking candidates for a Senior Social Scientist. This position will contribute to the Crime, Justice Policy, and Behavior Program by leading and providing scientific guidance to research studies, obtaining funding for new projects and contracts, enhancing professional prestige and external recognition of RTI, and promoting qualitative and/or quantitative approaches to the study of crime and justice systems. Candidates should have an excellent professional reputation, solid publication record, strong leadership skills, proven ability to attract external funding, and exceptional written and verbal communication skills. Qualified candidates must possess a Ph.D. in criminology, sociology, economics, or a related discipline and have substantial experience conducting research on crime, justice policy, and related behaviors. This position will be located at RTI's main campus in Research Triangle Park, NC. The Research Triangle Institute is an independent, not-for-profit research organization dedicated to conducting innovative, multidisciplinary research that improves the human condition. RTI offers a flexible and competitive work environment and competitive compensation and benefits. With a staff of more than 1,950 people, RTI is active in health and medicine, environmental protection, technology commercialization, education, and social science. Founded in 1958 by Universities in North Carolina, RTI was the first scientific organization in and remains the centerpiece of the Research Triangle Park,
which is located between Raleigh, Durham, and Chapel Hill. The Crime, Justice Policy, and Behavior Program is part of the Risk Behavior and Mental Health Research Center in RTI's Health, Social and Economic Research Unit. The Program's mission is to improve criminal and juvenile justice systems and the lives of those who are affected by crime and related risk behaviors. Current projects are funded by numerous agencies, including the NIJ, OJJDP, NIDA, CDC and BJA. Qualified candidates should send a cover letter, a CV/resume, and a list of at least three references to Paula Groulx, Health, Social and Economic Research, Research Triangle Institute, P.O.Box 12194, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2194. Or can apply online at www.rti.org

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE
The Department of Criminology, Law and Society seeks an established scholar for appointment as a full professor. The candidate should have an active, innovative research program and a promise of continuing productivity. The substantive area is open, though we have a special interest in scholars whose work involves criminological theory, empirical research on crime/criminal justice policy, or inter-disciplinary/ecological approaches to the study of crime or criminal justice. Among other accomplishments of particular value to the department are a history of funded research and/or institution building. Applicants should send a letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, and a list of references to: Senior Search Committee, Department of Criminology, Law and Society, Social Ecology II, University of California, Irvine 92697-7080. The position will remain open until filled, but we will begin reviewing applications on February 15th, 2003. The University of California, Irvine has an active career partner program, is an Equal Opportunity Employer committed to excellence through diversity, and has a National Science Foundation ADVANCE Gender Equity Program.

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO
The University of Idaho has one full-time Visiting Assistant Professor of Justice Studies position—or Visiting Instructor depending on qualifications—available for the 2003-2004 academic year beginning August 18, 2003. A minimum of an MA in Sociology with an emphasis in criminology, or in Criminal Justice (or Political Science with an emphasis in criminal justice) is required; ABD status or Ph.D. is preferable. This position carries a teaching load of 3 courses each semester. The priorities in our teaching needs are as follows in rank order: Introduction to the Justice System, Research Methods, Criminology, and Inequalities in the Justice System. Other areas of specialty will also be considered for the successful candidate's teaching load. Successful teaching experience at a four-year institution of higher education is preferred. The university is located in Moscow, near some of the best and least crowded sites for skiing, hiking, fishing, hunting, and mountain biking. Moscow also has been ranked among the top arts communities in the nation. Send letter of application describing teaching experience, particularly as it relates to the above listed courses; curriculum vitae; three letters of reference; and copies of teaching evaluations to Gary Reed, chair, Search Committee; Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Justice Studies; University of Idaho; PO Box 441110; Moscow, ID 83844-1110. Screening of applications will begin May 1, 2003 and continue until the position is filled. To enrich education through diversity the University of Idaho is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

CORRECTIONS TO 2002-2003 ASC COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

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JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION
5TH Annual Conference

The Justice Studies Association is pleased announce our 5th Annual Conference titled, “Through the Prism of Gender and Culture: Social Inequalities and Restorative Justice in the 21st Century.” The conference will be held at the Sovereign Hotel in Albany NY, from May 29-31, 2003. Our featured luncheon speaker will be acclaimed criminologist, author, and photographer Richard Quinney. Among Dr Quinney’s numerous works are: The Social Reality of Crime; Borderland: A Midwest Journal; Bearing Witness to Crime and Social Justice; and Criminology as Peacemaking (with Hal Pepinsky). We are further pleased to announce that the recipient of this year’s Noam Chomsky Award will be South Asian peace activist and Booker Prize winning author of The God of Small Things, Arundhati Roy who will present a keynote address.

Please consider attending by visiting our website: www.justicestudies.org, and mailing a Pre-Registration form to: Dan Okada, 2003 JSA Conference Chair, Division of Criminal Justice, California State University Sacramento, 6000 J Street, Sacramento CA 95819-6085. Regular registration fee is $80, full-time students $50, and Chomsky Award luncheon $15. A picnic and barbeque are also scheduled for which we ask a $5 contribution for each.

FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR PROGRAM OFFERS GRANTS IN 140 COUNTRIES FOR FACULTY AND PROFESSIONALS

The Fulbright Scholar Program is offering lecturing/research awards in some 140 countries for the 2004-2005 academic year. Opportunities are available not only for college and university faculty and administrators, but also for professionals from business and government, as well as journalists, lawyers, scientists, artists, independent scholars and many others. Traditional Fulbright awards are available from two months to an academic year or longer. A new short-term grants program—the Fulbright Senior Specialists Program—offers two-to-six-week grants in a variety of disciplines and fields. While foreign language skills are needed in some countries, most Fulbright lecturing assignments are in English. Some 80 percent of the awards are for lecturing. Application deadlines for 2004-2005 awards are:

May 1, 2003 for Fulbright Distinguished Chair awards in Europe, Canada and Russia
August 1, 2003 for Fulbright traditional lecturing and research grants worldwide
Rolling deadline for Fulbright Senior Specialists Program

For information, contact the council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) at 3007 Tilden Street, NW, Suite 5L, Washington, DC 20008-3009. Telephone: 202/686-7877 E-mail: aprequest@cies.iie.org. Information and an online application are also available on the Web at www.cies.org. The Fulbright Scholar Program is sponsored by the United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

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EUROPEAN CONSORTIUM OF POLITICAL RESEARCH

ECPR 2003 GENERAL CONFERENCE
September 18-22, 2003
Marburg, Germany

Organized Crime, Politics and Civil Society Section: This section is proposed by the Standing Group on Organized Crime and comprises nine panels. The main aim of this section is 1) to bring together different scholars and disciplines working on organized crime; 2) to explore the impact which organized crime is having on politics and civil society in terms of governance and 3) to discuss and analyze the latest developments of the phenomenon, theoretically and empirically. The nine panels focus on a variety of questions that we hope will encourage debate and exchanges; theoretical and methodological questions, the impact of organized crime activities on the environment, the role of Italian mafias in the world today, the relationship between organized crime, politics and civil society, the emerging dynamics between state and criminal businesses, white collar crime, the links between organized crime and terrorism in a transnational environment, government responses and anti-corruption strategies and the fight against organized crime. The panels hope to address local, national and international structures, dynamics and relationships between organized crime, politics and civil society in relation to democracy, governance and the threats to the nation state.

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5. State and Criminal Businesses (Jean Louis Briquet, CNRS, Paris, France, briquet@ceri-sciences-po.org)
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8. Anti-Corruption Strategies (Denis Clark, Teeside University, U.K., D.Clark@tees.ac.uk)
9. The Fight Against Organized Crime (Sayaka Fukumi, University of Leicester, U.K., sf55@leicester.ac.uk)

For information on ECPR’s new newsletter, please go to: http://members.lycos.co.uk/ocnewsletter/SGOC.
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TRENDS IN ORGANIZED CRIME
Trends in Organized Crime offers a composite of analyses and syntheses from a variety of information sources to serve the interests of both practitioners and policy makers as well as the academic community. It is both a stimulus to and a forum for more rigorous empirical research on organized crime, both nationally and internationally. Published four times a year, Trends in Organized Crime is the official journal of the International Association for the Study of Organized Crime (IASOC). It has a distinguished international editorial board. Trends publishes peer-reviewed, academically rigorous research, excerpts significant governmental reports; offers reviews of major new books, and, presents analyses and commentary on current issues in organized crime. Manuscripts must be submitted in English, in either electronic or hard copy forms. Electronic submissions should be sent to <fincken@com> as either ASCII, RTF or Word files. If hard copy, submit four copies to Professor James O. Finckenauer, Editor, Trends in Organized Crime, 389 Sayre Drive, Princeton, NJ 08540. For further information, contact the Editor at the above addresses, or at 973-353-3301.

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A new series from Southern Illinois University Press: The Contemporary Studies in Crime and Justice series will provide a diverse sphere of coverage in criminology and criminal justice. The theoretical works for the series will either significantly build on past criminological theory or represent a substantial "paradigm shift." Those applied works selected for the series will focus on important criminal justice policy questions that have not yet received adequate coverage in the scholarly literature. The series welcomes submissions from scholars from a variety of backgrounds. Queries and submissions should be directed to: Dr. Shaun L. Gabidon Criminal Justice Program, School of Public Affairs, Pennsylvania State University, Capital College, 777 W. Harrisburg Pike, Middletown, PA 17057, 717/948-6054; 717/948-6320 Fax: Slg13@psu.edu

CRIMINAL JUSTICE: The International Journal of Policy and Practice
This is a peer-reviewed journal that will include scholarly articles that focus on the policy-making process, current criminal justice policies and practices, and the gap that sometimes exists between policy and practice. It will also include regular features on policy development and national practice initiatives and a book review section. For submission details, contact the following. Regarding papers from Europe, contact Tim Newburn (t.newburn@gold.ac.uk). Regarding papers from Australia, contact David Dixon (D. Dixon@unsw.edu.au). Regarding papers from the Americas, contact Martin D. Schwartz (schwartz@ohio.edu)

CRITICAL CRIMINOLOGY: AN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL
This open call requests quality manuscripts pertaining to critical criminology in all its manifestations, including critical legal studies and social justice issues. We welcome qualitative and quantitative methodologies, including non-traditional approaches to data gathering and analysis. Papers should expose and oppose forms of domination that include class, gender, race/ethnicity and sexual orientation — especially their intersecting and interlocking nature. We encourage works that focus on creative and cooperative solutions to justice problems, plus strategies for the construction of a more inclusive society. All manuscripts are subject to peer review. Papers should be 4,000 to 6,000 words (including tables, illustrations, notes and references) and framed in a manner that would be of interest to an international audience. Book reviews are also welcome and shorter research notes (3,000 words) will be considered for publication. Submissions not from North American or Europe are welcome and can be sent to any editor.
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JOURNAL OF QUANTITATIVE CRIMINOLOGY
The Journal of Quantitative Criminology invites ASC members to submit their research to the journal. JQC publishes papers that use quantitative techniques to address substantive, methodological, or evaluative topics in criminology and criminal justice. While some articles are at the forefront of quantitative methodology, others apply familiar methods to substantively important topics. The Journal emphasizes the use of sound quantitative methods, not methodological sophistication for its own sake. Persons interested in submitting their work to JQC should send four copies of their manuscript to: Journal of Quantitative Criminology, School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany, State University of New York, Albany, NY 12222. Style guidelines and a sample copy are available at the Journal’s web site: www.wkap.nl/journalhome.htm/0748-4518.
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INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE AND APPLIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE (IJCACJ)
The International Journal of Comparative and Applied Criminal Justice (IJCACJ) which is in its 26th year of publishing invites manuscripts that focus on comparative analysis of cross-cultural theories of crime, legal systems, policing, courts, juvenile justice, women offenders, and, minority offenders. IJCACJ, which is a peer-reviewed is journal is housed at Michigan State University, and is published twice a year. The Journal has provided a forum for scholars and academics interested in comparative theory and empirical research in the area of criminal justice. All submission (3 copies) must be in English, double-spaced, and in the range of 25 to 40 pages, inclusive of abstract, tables, appendices and figures. We welcome shorter pieces for research notes, cases studies, and country profiles. Mailing address for manuscripts submissions and inquiries: Mahesh K. Nalla (nalla@msu.edu), Editor-in-Chief, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University, 560 Baker Hall, East Lansing, MI 48824-1118. For style guides and other related information please refer to our web site at www.cj.msu.edu/international/

JUSTICE POLICY JOURNAL: The Official Journal of the Justice Policy Institute
The next issue of the Justice Policy Journal (Winter 2003) will be a special issue devoted to the pressing issue of prisoner “re-entry.” Each year, over 500,000 state and federal offenders leave prison only to be greeted by limited services and programs to help them successfully return to the community. If you would like to submit an academic paper on this topic, or on another relevant topic such as the impact of incarceration policies, sentencing reform, drug policy, and juvenile justice policies, review our submission guidelines at http://www.cjij.org/ppl/submission_guidelines.php. Submissions will be accepted through July, 2003.

HOMICIDE: AN INTERDISCIPLINARY AND INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL
Thomas A. Petee, Auburn University, and Jay Corzine, University of Central Florida, have been appointed as Co-Editors of Homicide: An Interdisciplinary and International Journal for a six-year term, beginning August 1, 2001. For the first three years, the journal’s editorial office will be located at Auburn University; the office will move to the University of Central Florida for the second three years. Authors should submit manuscripts in triplicate to: Thomas A. Petee, Co-Editor, Department of Sociology, 7030 Haley Center, Auburn University, Auburn, AL 36840-5209. Phone 334/844-5018 or 844-5018; fax 334-844-2851; email: petetec@email.auburn.edu Homicide Studies is a publication dedicated to the dissemination of empirical research addressing issues pertinent to the study of homicide. Submissions for review should be empirically based, using quantitative or qualitative methods. Theoretical papers, research summaries and public policy reviews are also welcomed.

WESTERN CRIMINOLOGY REVIEW
The Western Criminology Review is the official journal of the Western Society of Criminology, and we invite all ASC members to submit their research to the journal. Published three times a year, WCR is an on-line, peer-reviewed outlet for scholarly research in all matters important to criminology and criminal justice. The journal is intended to reflect local (Western), national, and international concerns. Manuscripts are submitted electronically, and all correspondence is conducted online to speed the review process. Due to the advantages of being an online journal, there are no page, color, or appendix restrictions; therefore, authors can include hypertext links and images at their discretion. Our evaluation process of submitted papers involves a brief internal consideration by editorial staff, followed by a blind assessment by two external reviewers. Replies and Comments to previously published articles are encouraged. All submissions should be formatted according to the journal’s guidelines for manuscripts, which can be found on the WCR web-site at <http://wcr.sonoma.edu>. Persons interested in submitting their work to WCR should send inquiries to Gisela Bichler <gbichler@csusb.edu> or Stephen Tibbetts <stibett@csusb.edu>, Co-Editors, Department of Criminal Justice, California State University—San Bernardino, 5500 University Parkway, San Bernardino, CA, 92407-2397.

In addition to regular issues, WCR will be publishing a Special Issue on Crime Analysis, which will be guest edited by Julie Wartell and Elizabeth Groff. This issue will be devoted to studies in the area of crime mapping and spatial analysis, as well as related issues. International submissions are encouraged. Those interested in submitting a manuscript for consideration should contact guest editor Julie Wartell at <jwartell@redlandspolice.org>. The deadline for submission for this special issue is October 15, 2003.
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE REVIEW
The Criminal Justice Review is a biannual scholarly journal dedicated to presenting a broad perspective on criminal justice issues. It focuses on any aspect of crime and the justice system, and can feature local, state, or national concerns. Both qualitative and quantitative pieces are encouraged, providing that they adhere to standards of quality scholarship. As a peer-reviewed journal, we encourage the submission of articles, research notes, commentaries, and comprehensive essays that focus on crime and justice-related topics broadly defined. Five copies of manuscripts should be submitted in English, follow APA style, be double-spaced throughout, including references, tables and indented quotations, and cannot be under consideration by another publication. An abstract not to exceed 200 words must be included with submissions. Send to: Michael S. Vaughn, Editor, Criminal Justice Review, P.O. Box 4018, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA 30302-4018; 404-651-3688; Email: mvaughn@gsu.edu; Web Site: www.gsu.edu/cjr.

INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE REVIEW
The International Criminal Justice Review is an annual scholarly journal dedicated to presenting system wide trends and problems on crime and justice throughout the world. Articles may focus on a single country or compare issues affecting two or more countries. Both qualitative and quantitative pieces are encouraged, providing they adhere to standards of quality scholarship. Manuscripts may emphasize either contemporary or historical topics. As a peer-reviewed journal, we encourage the submission of articles, research notes, commentaries, and comprehensive essays that focus on crime and justice-related topics in an international and/or comparative context broadly defined. Five copies of manuscripts should be submitted in English, follow APA style, be double-spaced throughout, including references, tables and indented quotations, and cannot be under consideration by another publication. An abstract not to exceed 200 words must be included with submissions. Send to: Michael S. Vaughn, Editor, International Criminal Justice Review, P.O. Box 4018, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA 30302-4018; 404-651-3688; Email: mvaughn@gsu.edu; Web Site: www.gsu.edu/icjr.

CRIME, LAW AND SOCIAL CHANGE: An International Journal
Crime, Law and Social Change is a peer-reviewed journal that publishes essays and reviews dealing with the political economy of organized crime whether at the transnational, national, regional or local levels anywhere in the world. In addition, the Journal publishes work on financial crime, political corruption, environmental crime, and the expropriation of resources from developing nations. The Journal is also committed to publishing in the general area of Human Rights including studies of genocide, essays of compensation and justice for survivors of mass murder and state-sponsored terrorism, analyses of international human rights organizations (both governmental and NGO’s), and essays focused on gender, racial and ethnic quality.
Crime, Law and Social Change invites scholars from all disciplines to submit book reviews. The Journal recently expanded its book review section, and will work with scholars to match their research interests with books we have received for review. Furthermore, Crime, Law and Social Change will, on occasion, solicit books from publishers at the request of prospective authors. Young scholars looking for publishing opportunities are also encouraged to submit reviews. For further information, please contact Sean Patrick Griffin, Book Review Editor, Crime, Law and Social Change, 134 Brackett Hall, Clemson, SC 29634-1356, USA, (864) 656-3814, griff@clemson.edu.

JOURNAL OF CRIME AND JUSTICE
The Midwestern Criminal Justice Association announces Christopher J. Schreck as the new editor of the Journal of Crime and Justice. Dr. Schreck officially assumed editorial responsibilities January 1, 2003. Prospective authors should send a cover letter with contact information, four copies of their manuscript, and a $10 submission fee (payable to the Journal of Crime and Justice), to: Christopher J. Schreck, Editor, Department of Criminal Justice Sciences, Illinois State University, Campus Box 5250, Normal, IL 61790-5250.

The Journal of Crime and Justice, the official publication of the Midwestern Criminal Justice Association, is a biannual peer-reviewed journal featuring original scholarly work in the area of crime and criminal justice. JC&J welcomes quantitative and qualitative empirical articles, theoretical commentaries, and book reviews. Manuscripts should be double-spaced, conform to APA format, and not exceed 30 pages (including tables and references). Each submission should also include an abstract of no more than 200 words.
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POLICE PRACTICE AND RESEARCH: An International Journal

Manuscripts are solicited for Police Practice and Research: An International Journal, which is published in four issues per volume. The journal presents current and innovative police research, as well as operational and administrative practices from around the world. Articles and reports are sought from practitioners, researchers, and other interested in developments in policing, analysis of public order, and the state of safety as it affects the quality of life everywhere.

The journal seeks to bridge the gap in knowledge that exists regarding who the police are, what they do, and how they maintain order, administer laws, and serve their communities. Attention is also focused on specific organizational information about the police in different countries and regions, and periodic special issues are devoted to studying police policies and practices regarding a particular topic or issue. The editors aim to improve cooperation between those who are active in the field and those who are involved in academic research, as such a relationship is essential for innovative police work. To this end, the editors encourage the submission of articles co-authored by police practitioners and researchers that highlights a particular subject from both points of view. Submission of Manuscripts: Manuscripts should be no more than 30 typed, double-spaced pages with text presented on one side of paper in English. The manuscripts should be accompanied by an abstract of no more than 100 words, up to six key words, and a brief biographical sketch. For a complete Notes for Contributors, contact: Arvind Verma, Managing Editor, Department of Criminal Justice, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405, USA, or any other member of the Journal team.

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DIVISION OF CRITICAL CRIMINOLOGY

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The Division of Critical Criminology, American Society of Criminology, is seeking applications for the position of Editor of Critical Criminology, the official journal of the Division. Critical Criminology is an international journal published three times a year by Kluwer Publishing Company, The Netherlands. The new Editor will be responsible for Volume 12 - 14 of the journal, approximately a three year term. Application for the position of Editor should include the following:

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IN MEMORIAM

ROBERT KING MERTON
1910 – 2003

Robert K. Merton, one of the most influential sociologists of the 20th century, whose coinage of terms like “self-fulfilling prophecy” and “role models” filtered from his academic pursuits into everyday language, died February 23 in Manhattan. He was 92.

Robert King Merton was born Meyer R. Schkolnick on July 4, 1910, in South Philadelphia; he carried that name for the first 14 years of his life. He was the son of immigrants from Eastern Europe and lived in an apartment above his father's milk, butter and egg store until the building burned down. As a teenager performing magic tricks at birthday parties, he adopted Robert Merlin as a stage name, but when a friend convinced him that his choice of the ancient wizard's name was hackneyed, he modified it, adopting Merton with the concurrence of his Americanizing mother after he won a scholarship to Temple University.

Dr. Merton gained his pioneering reputation as a sociologist of science, exploring how scientists behave and what it is that motivates, rewards, and intimidates them. By laying out his “ethos of science” in 1942, he replaced the entrenched stereotypical views that had long held scientists to be eccentric geniuses largely unbound by rules or norms. It was this body of work that contributed to Mr. Merton's becoming the first sociologist to win a National Medal of Science in 1944. But his explorations over 70-odd years extended across an extraordinary range of interests that included the workings of the mass media, the anatomy of racism, the social perspectives of “insiders” vs. “outsiders,” history, literature and etymology. Though carried out with the detachment he admired in Emile Durkheim, the French architect of modern sociology, Dr. Merton's inquiries often bore important consequences in real life as well as in academics. His studies on an integrated community helped shape Kenneth Clark's historic brief in Brown v. Board of Education, the Supreme Court case that led to the desegregation of public schools. His adoption of the focused interview to elicit the responses of groups to texts, radio programs and films led to the “focus groups” that politicians, their handlers, marketers and hucksters now find indispensable.

Dr. Merton spent much of his professional life at Columbia University, where along with his collaborator of 35 years, Paul F. Lazarsfeld, who died in 1976, he developed the Bureau of Applied Social Research, where the early focus groups originated. The course of his career paralleled the growth and acceptance of sociology as a bona fide academic discipline. As late as 1939, there were fewer than 1,000 sociologists in the United States, but soon after Dr. Merton was elected president of the American Sociological Association in 1957, the group had 4,500 members. Dr. Merton was sometimes called “Mr. Sociology,” and Jonathan R. Cole, a former student and the provost at Columbia, once said, “If there were a Nobel Prize in sociology, there would be no question he would have gotten it.” (Dr. Merton’s son, Robert C. Merton, won a Nobel Prize in economics in 1997). Another of Dr. Merton’s contributions to sociology was his emphasis on what he termed “theories of the middle range.” By these he meant undertakings that steered clear of grand speculative and abstract doctrines while also avoiding pedantic inquiries that were unlikely to yield significant results. What he preferred were initiatives that might yield findings of consequence and that open lines of further inquiry. In his own writings he favored the essay form, “which provides scope for asides and corollaries,” he said, over the more common and streamlined scientific paper.

He often came up with clearly phrased observations that combined originality with seeming simplicity. Eugene Garfield, an information scientist, wrote that much of Dr. Merton’s work was “so transparently true that one can't imagine why no one else has bothered to point it out.” One early example of such illuminating insight appeared in a paper called “Social Structure and Anomie: that he wrote as a graduate student at Harvard in 1936 and then kept revising over the next decade. Dr. Merton had asked himself what it was that brought about anomie, a state in which, according to Mr. Durkheim, the breakdown of social standards threatened such cohesion. In a breakthrough that spawned many lines of inquiry, Dr. Merton suggested that anomie was likely to arise when society’s members were denied adequate means of achieving the very cultural goals that their society projected, like wealth, power, fame or
enlightenment. Among the spinoffs of this work were Dr. Merton’s own writings on the ranges of deviant behavior and crime. A tall, pipe-smoking scholar, Dr. Merton often used the trajectory of his life story, from slum to academic achievement, as material illustrating the workings of serendipity, chance and coincidence, which so long fascinated him. In a lecture to the American Council of Learned Societies in 1994, Dr. Merton said that thanks to the libraries, schools, orchestras to which he had access, and even to the youth gang he had joined, his early years had prepared him well for what he called a life of learning. “My fellow sociologists will have noticed,” he said, “how that seemingly deprived South Philadelphia slum was providing a youngster with every sort of capital — social capital, cultural capital, human capital, and above all, what we may call public capital — that is, with every sort of capital except the personally financial.” It is not difficult to see connections between such views and Dr. Merton’s insights into the causes of anomy.

In a 1961 New Yorker magazine profile by Morton Hunt, Dr. Merton was described as displaying “a surprising catholicity of interests and a talent for good conversation, impaired only slightly by the fact that he is alarmingly well informed about everything from baseball to Kant and is unhesitatingly ready to tell anybody about any or all of it.”

Indeed, what is Dr. Merton’s most widely known book, “On the Shoulders of Giants,” went far beyond the confines of sociology. Referred to by dr. Merton as his “prodigious brainchild,” it reveals the depth of his curiosity, the breadth of his prodigious research and the extraordinary patience that also characterize his academic writing. The effort began in 1941, when, in an essay called “A Note on Science and Democracy,” Dr. Merton referred to a remark by Isaac Newton: “If I have seen farther, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants.” He added a footnote pointing out that “Newton’s aphorism is a standardized phrase which has found repeated expression from at least the 12th century. But Dr. Merton did not stop there. Intermittently during the next 23 years he tracked the aphorism back in time, following blind alleys as well as fruitful avenues and finally finished the book in 1965, writing in a discursive style that the author attributed to his early reading and subsequent re-readings of Laurence Sterne’s “Tristram Shandy.” Denis Donoghue, the critic and literary scholar, wrote of the book admiringly as “an eccentric and yet concentric work of art, a work sufficiently flexible to allow a digression every 10 pages or so.” He admitted, I wish I had written ‘On the Shoulders of Giants.’”

More recently, over the last three and a half decades, Dr. Merton has been gathering information about the idea and workings of serendipity, and thinking about it in the same spirit in which he had written the earlier book, which he liked to call by its acronym, OTSOG. As he had done with all his investigations, he collated and pondered data he had entered on index cards. Most days he started work at 4:30 a.m., with some of his 15 cats keeping him company. During the last years of his life, as he fought and overcame six different cancers, his Italian publisher, Il Mulino, prevailed on him to allow them to issue his writings on serendipity as a book. And four days before his death, his wife, the sociologist Harriet Zuckerman, received word that Princeton University Press had approved publication of the English version under the title, “The Travels and Adventures of Serendipity.”

Dr. Merton received the Edwin Sutherland Award from the American Society of Criminology in 1996.

In addition to Dr. Zuckerman, Dr. Merton is survived by his son, Robert C Merton, and two daughters, Stephanie Tombrello and Vanessa Merton; nine grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Michael T. Kaufman
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MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY FOR DENVER

2003 ANNUAL MEETING

November 19-22, 2003 - Adams Mark Hotel

Phone Reservations: 303-893-3333
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$146/night – Single/Double
(add’l $35/night for Concorde Club Level)

$156 night – Triple/Quad
(add’l $35/night for Concorde Club Level)

In addition, there are a small number of Executive Suites at $325/night.

You MUST mention that you are with the ASC to obtain these rates. Please be aware, to guarantee your room reservation, the Adam’s Mark Hotel may charge your credit card for the first room night.

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