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Note from the editor:

It is a pleasure to once again serve as editor for the newsletter. Please continue to submit your news, essays, photos, updates, book reviews, etc. for consideration of inclusion.

The bigger the newsletter the better for us all and as you can see this one is a bit light as I did not receive many materials. Feel free to send materials throughout the year. Here is to a peaceful, happy, healthy summer.

Best regards

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ANNUAL REPORT ON THE DIVISION ON CRITICAL CRIMINOLOGY

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INTRODUCTION

The American Society of Criminology's (ASC) Division on Critical Criminology (DCC) was born in 1989 and now has approximately 304 members (as of March 19, 2009), many of whom are based at schools, government agencies, and other institutions outside of the U.S. Moreover, with aid of 30 thirty editorial board members from around the world and the Spring Publishing Company, the DCC publishes the journal *Critical Criminology* and the DCC publishes a quarterly electronic newsletter titled *The Critical Criminologist* (edited by Dr. Dawn Rothe). A website maintained by Dr. Ken Mentor (www.critcrim.org) is also an important source of information for DCC members and others interested in empirical, theoretical, and political work done by critical criminologists.

The DCC is one of only five divisions of the ASC and overlaps with three of the ASC's strongest divisions: the Division on Women and Crime, the Division of International Criminology, and the Division on People of Color and Crime. The main objective of this report, then, is to provide the ASC with an overview of DCC activities that have occurred during the past year.

DCC EXECUTIVE BOARD

The DCC's Executive Board includes the individuals listed below. All of them were elected during October 2007 and serve in their respective capacity for a 2-year term. Thus, each officer during this cycle serves from November 2007 until November 2009.



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END OF YEAR FINANCIAL DATA

As of March 19, 2009, the DCC had \$10,794.80. Thus, the DCC is in excellent financial condition.

DIVISION AWARDS

Each year at the annual meetings of the ASC, the DCC gives several awards to members who have made important contributions to their field. The 2008 award winners are as follows:

Undergraduate Student Paper Award: Holly Pelvin, University of Toronto.

Graduate Student Paper Award (1st place): Travis Linnemann, Kansas State University.

Graduate Student Paper Award (2nd place): Randy Myers, University of California, Irvine

Critical Criminologist of the Year Award: Christopher W. Mullins (Southern Illinois University, Carbondale) and Dawn L. Rothe (Old Dominion University).

Lifetime Achievement Award: Walter S. DeKeseredy, University of Ontario Institute of Technology

STATUS OF CRITICAL CRIMINOLOGY: AN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL

Critical Criminology is based at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology's (UOIT) Faculty of Criminology, Justice and Police Studies. Dr. Shahid Alvi is the Editor-in-Chief and UOIT gives him ample office space and a student assistant to help him perform his duties. Dr. Mark Israel is the Pacific Rim Editor and Dr. Joanna Goodey is the European Editor, and they have helped increase the visibility of the journal and its subscription list.

The journal is widely read and cited, and Springer officials continue to be pleased with the large number of articles downloaded from its site. Moreover, Springer personnel continue to express much satisfaction with the quality of the manuscripts published and the competence of the Editorial staff.



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PLANS FOR THE COMING YEAR

The DCC will elect a new Executive Board this October and those elected will serve in their respective capacity from November 2009 to November 2011. To be expected, DCC members will also be very active at the 2009 annual meetings of the ASC. Most members will present papers, chair panel sessions, and/or be involved in other in other important conference activities. Moreover, the DCC will host another social at the conference and all members of the ASC are warmly invited to attend.

The DCC is, by no means, a parochial group. Most of the members belong to other ASC Divisions and publish in a wide variety of refereed journals, including those deemed by many people to be "mainstream" or liberal. Consider, too, that DCC members routinely serve on the editorial boards of major journals such as *Criminology*, *Justice Quarterly*, and *Crime and Delinquency*. Certainly, DCC members are key parts of the broader academic criminological community.

CONCLUSION

The DCC continues to be financially stable, has a strong membership base, and produces a dynamic scholarly journal. Indeed, there are dozens of other examples that could be provided here of how the DCC and its members have contributed to the ASC and criminology in general. People seeking more information about the DCC and its efforts are encouraged to contact Dr. Walter DeKeseredy at walter.dekeseredy@uoit.ca or at (905) 721-8668, ext. 3410.





The following photographs were taken in March 2009 by Avi Brisma, near Parc Güell a garden complex situated on the hill of el Carmel in the Gràcia district of Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain. The park was designed by the Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí and built in the years 1900 to 1914. The path that I followed to Parc Güell revealed the strength of Catalan nationalist sentiments in this district. I photographed some of the street art along this path and thought I would share the images with DCC members in light of the division's commitment to critiquing domination.





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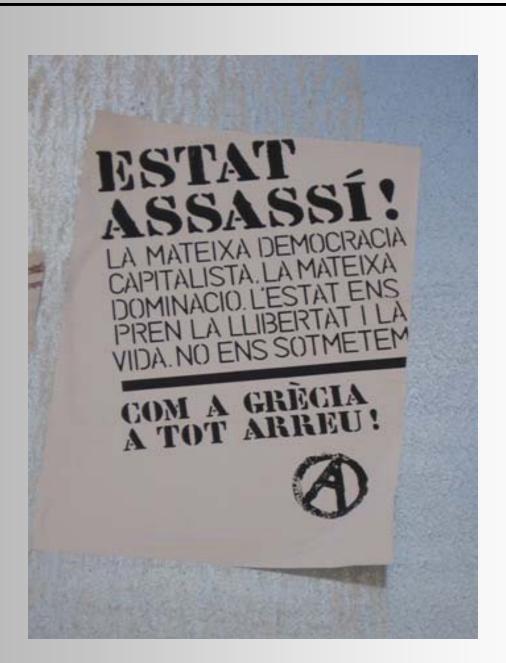
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Thank you Avi



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CALL FOR PAPERS

The Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction 2009 Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, August 9-11

Submissions should include: Full Name, University Affiliation, Email address, Telephone, Faculty or Other Title, and Paper Title with a 300 word abstract. Please direct your paper proposal to the appropriate session chair. General inquiries may be directed to this year's Program Chair, Michael Coyle: mjcoyle@csuchico.edu

Proposed Sessions

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Digital Media, Culture and Interaction: from *Youtube* to *World of Warcraft* and Beyond Patrick Williams subcultures@gmail.com

Symbolic Interaction Theory and Qualitative Research in Second Life Simon Gottschalk karma@unlv.nevada.edu

Studies of Tolerance and Conformity Alex Dennis

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Studies in Deviant Behavior

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Identity Work

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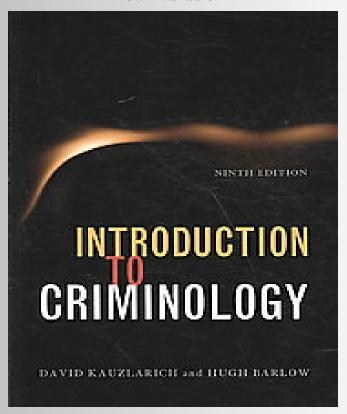
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New Directions in SI and Medical Sociology

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TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT NOMINATIONS:

The ASC Division on Critical Criminology invites nominations for this year's awards. The Division sponsors four awards:

The Lifetime Achievement Award honors an individual's sustained and distinguished scholar-ship, teaching, and/or service in the field of critical criminology.

The Critical Criminologist of the Year Award honors a person for distinguished accomplishments which have symbolized the spirit of the Division in some form of scholarship, teaching, and/or service in a recent year or years.

The Undergraduate Student Paper Awards recognize and honor outstanding theoretical or empirical critical criminological scholarship by undergraduate students.

The Graduate Student Paper Awards recognize and honor outstanding theoretical or empirical critical criminological scholarship by graduate students.

Nominations for the Critical Criminologist of the Year and the Lifetime Achievement Award must be submitted electronically and include letter(s) of nomination/support as well as the nominee's vita.

Nominations for the student paper awards must be submitted electronically and include the student paper as well as a cover letter from a faculty member sponsor who should verify the student's level of study.

Notice of where and who to send any nominations will be distributed to you via our google group emails, typically the call for submissions ends early Fall, so be watching and thinking of who you believe is deserving and should be nominated.