

**MICHIGAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
2008 ANNUAL MEETING, October 17 - 18, 2008**

Muskegon Community College
Stevenson Center For Higher Education

FRIDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 17
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Reception At Rafferty's Dockside Restaurant
(with appetizers and cash bar)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

*Lobby – Stevenson Center For Higher Education
Registration continues until noon.*

FIRST MORNING SESSIONS: 9:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.

1. *Special Session: ACT on Racism* – Jennifer Steward and Students, Grand Valley State University – Room 1202

2. *Sexuality* – Room 1222

Donna Giuliani, Delta College (Chair)

Scott Berlin, Grand Valley State University, "The Evolution of HIV/AIDS Risk Reduction Strategies"

Jean Toner, Central Michigan University, "Sexual Minority Youth: Negotiating Identity and Expression in a Rural Context"

Donna Giuliani, Delta College, "The Controversies and Effectiveness of Sex Education in Public Schools"

3. *Social Movements* – Room 1218

Stephen Gasteyer, Michigan State University, "Resisting BioFuels: Social Movements and Local Resistance to Siting a Biofuel Facility Development in Illinois"

Michelle R. Worosz, Auburn University, David M. Holt, Michigan State University, and Craig K. Harris, Michigan State University, "Faith, Treachery and the Great Agricultural Continuum: Critique, Understanding and Clarity within the Agrifoodie Collective"

4. Student Paper Session – Room 1224

Cheryl Boudreaux, Grand Valley State University (Chair)

Keith W. McIntosh, Grand Valley State University,
"The Social Construction of Virtual Space"

Karolina Jedrzejczak, University of Michigan - Flint,
"Changing Perspectives on Culture"

Santrea Bush, Julie Darrar and Andy Sanford, Muskegon Community College,
"Terrorism: How Does It Affect Our Everyday Lives?"

COFFEE BREAK WITH BOOK PUBLISHERS: 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. – Room 1200

SECOND MORNING SESSIONS: 11:00 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

5. 2008 Election Roundtable and West Michigan Community Issues: Meet the Mayor – Room 1228

Nicholas Budimir, Western Michigan University, Sociology (Moderator)
Darrell L. Paige, Mayor of Muskegon Heights, Michigan
Anthony Baker, Ferris State University, Sociology and School Board Member,
Grand Rapids Public Schools
David Takitaki, Muskegon Community College and Western Michigan University,
Political Science
Kurt Troutman, Muskegon Community College, Political Science

6. Gender: Historical and Cultural Analyses – Room 1224

Karen Lang Krause, Saginaw Valley State University, (Chair)

Suzanne Spencer-Wood, Oakland University and Harvard University,
"How Reform Women Worked to Socialize Laissez-Faire Capitalism"

Shiuh-Tarng Cheng, Michigan State University, "Gendered Habitus and School
Volunteering: Some Evidence from the United States and Taiwan"

Angela Kristine Guy-Lee, Wayne State University, "Mirror, Mirror: Women and the
Sociocultural Patterning of Body Image"

7. Workshop: Using GIS for Teaching Sociology – Room 1218

Brigitte Bechtold and Jean Toner, both of Central Michigan University

8. Global Interdependence – Room 1222

Colleen Wilson, Michigan State University (Chair)

Will Allen, Alma College, “Breaking the Rungs: Alternatives to the Ladder of Development Within the Context of Globalization”

Jeremy Norwood, Michigan State University, “Recipe for Disaster: The Structural Impetus for the Rwanda Genocide”

Colleen Wilson, Michigan State University, “Supranationalism and Top-Down Constructions of European Identity: An Analysis of European Union White Papers”

PLENARY SESSION: 12:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.

Big Ten Room A

KEYNOTE ADDRESS, AWARDS and LUNCHEON

Luncheon

Salad, entrée, dessert and drinks

Michigan Sociological Association Award Presentations

The Marvin Olsen Award for Distinguished Service to Sociology
The Larry T. Reynolds Award for Outstanding Teaching of Sociology
The Charles Horton Cooley Award for Distinguished Scholarship

Keynote Address

“Inequality and the Seductions of False Community”

Michael L. Schwalbe
North Carolina State University

AFTERNOON SESSIONS: 3:00 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.

9. Teaching Excellence (Or Not): The Students Speak – Room 1228

Nancy Herman-Kinney, Central Michigan University (Chair)

Aurda Goward, Central Michigan University

Jon Arlt, Central Michigan University

Vanessa Spitzer, Central Michigan University

Courtney Hardwick, Central Michigan University

10. Authors' Roundtable – Room 1224

Joe Verschaeve, Grand Valley State University (Chair)

Mary DeYoung, Grand Valley State University
The Day Care Ritual Abuse Moral Panic

Elizabeth E. Wheatley, Grand Valley State University
Bodies at Risk: An Ethnography of Heart Disease

Gil Richard Musolf, Central Michigan University
Structure and Agency in Everyday Life: An Introduction to Social Psychology

Michael L. Schwalbe, North Carolina State University
The Sociologically Examined Life: Pieces of the Conversation

11. Community Groups and Organizations Working to Rebuild the Community
Room 1222

Beverly Hair, Muskegon Community College (Chair)
Melvin Lars, Brighter Futures
Cindy Larsen, President of Muskegon Area Chamber of Commerce
Gordon Rinard, Institute for Healing Racism
Stephanie Rinard, Institute for Healing Racism
Peggy Selman, Morning Glory
Lois Williams, Muskegon County African American Museum

12. Race, Space and Life Chances – Room 1218

Bonnie Wright, Ferris State University (Chair)

Anthony Baker, Ferris State University, "Learning by Walking: A Sociologist Explores Race, Class, and Space While Campaigning for Public Office"

Micala Evans, Ferris State University, "Socio-geography of Race and Place at the Grosse Pointe Park-Detroit Border"

Deanna Evanzo, Ferris State University, "Altered Consciousness: Situated Segregation Practices and Experiences"

Bonnie Wright, Ferris State University, "Accounting for Situated Segregation Practices"

BUSINESS MEETING: 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. – Room 1222

DINNER: 6:30 p.m. (optional, location to be announced).

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