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NOTES FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings! I am honored to return to the position of SAN Chair! As many of us know, finding members to volunteer for the Chair position has not been easy. When the Chair position was first advertised in 2011, we had no volunteers. [Thanks so much to Terry Labov for her willingness to serve an additional year!] In 2012, we once again had trouble filling the position, so I volunteered to do so, although it was with great reluctance due to the increasing pressure of time constraints on my own life these past few years. Still, with a little luck, I will be able to manage our group for the next couple of years. That said, please know that I will be actively recruiting for the next Chair elect every chance I get, so beware! If you run into me at the conferences, I may try to recruit you for the position in the future!



There are a few items in this newsletter that I especially want to highlight. **First**, and most importantly, April 3rd will mark the 20th anniversary of the passing of Martin Levine. Most current SAN members, like myself, joined SAN well after Martin's passing and may know little, if anything, about the man whom our Student Paper Award is notably named after. I suspect even fewer know that Martin (known by those close to him as Marty) was among the founding members of the Sociologist AIDS Network. So I decided to use this newsletter to take a moment to remember Martin Levine's life and work, and keep his legacy alive for years to come! Included below is a biography published in 1993 by ASA, written by his closest colleagues – Michael S. Kimmel and John H. Gagnon. This is followed by a short overview of Martin's three books.

Also below, I openly recognize and congratulate those students who have won the SAN Martin Levine Paper Award. Recognition is also given to the SAN members who have won the other award named after Levine, the one given by the ASA section on Sexualities (and previously by the section on Sex & Gender). Importantly, several of the SAN Award winners went on to publish their award winning papers, which attests to the high quality of their work! On a related, but less cheerful note, we have incomplete information on several of the past SAN paper winners – we are missing information for winners from 1995-2001. If anyone has records from these dates, please email the details.

Second, while only a few SAN members were able to attend the SAN business meeting, those who attended did an excellent job of rapidly pulling together a time-sensitive proposal for a SAN sponsored thematic session at the upcoming ASA meeting. To their credit, the proposal was accepted - *Ending an Epidemic in an Era of Rising Inequality? The AIDS Paradox in the United States*. Full details follow below.

Third, we are once again asking for nominations for the SAN Career Award, as well as are offering our student awards. Please send in your nominations and advertise widely for students who may qualify for the student awards (Details follow below).

Finally, I am working closely with Neal Carnes, our new treasurer, to complete the process of transitioning him into the treasurer's position. We are, hopefully, on the verge of solving the long-time challenge of getting our treasury's bank account "fixed" so that organizational donations to the group will no longer be stymied by bureaucratic barriers. This involves applying for an EIN, rather than relying on an individual's social security number. We hope to complete the necessary "repairs" by the end of spring semester. As of now, all dues can still be made payable to SAN in two possible ways. One is the online pay pal option on the SAN website; the other is to "snail mail" a check to Neal. Neal's contact information follows below.

Importantly, many of you are **past due!!!** Please know that we strive to keep the membership dues extremely low to ease the burden on the membership, but we really do need the money. It not only funds our student awards, but it is all we have to fund all other events SAN sponsors. So please, if you haven't already done so, **pay up!**(Please see the last page of the newsletter for dues options).

In closing, mark your calendars for the 2013 meetings in NYC. We hope to see many of you there!

Best, CF

2012 SAN Martin Levine Paper Award Winner

Daniel Grace (University of Victoria)

Paper Title: *Reconceiving the 'Problem' in HIV Prevention: HIV Testing Technologies and the Criminalization of HIV Non-Disclosure*



Daniel Grace recently completed his PhD in Sociology at the University of Victoria, Canada (2012). In his doctoral research he examines the text-mediated processes by which many HIV-related laws are becoming created transnationally through the use of omnibus HIV 'model laws'. His ongoing research interests include global health, HIV and AIDS, legislative reform processes and social inequality. He is currently a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of British Columbia, Faculty of Medicine as part of a Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR) funded multidisciplinary investigation exploring the use of new HIV testing technologies for the early detection and response among gay men in British Columbia.

Thank you to Lynn Gazley (Paper Committee Chair), Yordanos Tiruneh, Amy Fasula, and Trevor Hoppe for their excellent service and comments to the submitters.

2012 SAN Scholarly Activity Award Winners

Anne Gildea (London School of Economics and Political Science)



Anne is pursuing a MSC in Health, Community and Development under Catherine Campbell's direction at the London School of Economics. Anne used her award to help fund a (service providers/users) workshop based on her MSC research on re-framing masculinity as part of a more nuanced solution against HIV/AIDS in Africa. She shows a strong focus on bringing complexity and nuance to masculinity constructions in the context of HIV. Her goal to disseminate and translate her research into community action via a workshop is extremely important.

Thank you to Jorge Fontdevila (Scholarly Award Chair) Andrew London, and Valerio Bacak for their excellent service on the committee.

Introducing Our New Officers

Carrie Foote, PhD (SAN Chair) is an Associate Professor of Sociology at Indiana University-Indianapolis where she teaches courses on the sociology of health and illness, HIV/AIDS, social theory and qualitative methods. Her current research focuses on the social aspects of having children and parenting in the context of HIV. As a woman who has been living with HIV for nearly 25 years, she has personally dealt with challenges around having children and parenting and has witnessed others' similar struggles and joys and has long been committed to both researching these issues and engaging in advocacy efforts around the reproductive and sexual rights of men and women living with, and affected by, HIV. She has also been actively involved in SAN, serving as SAN newsletter editor/coeditor from 05-06, Chair from 06-07, and Treasurer/Listserv Manager from 07-12. Professor Foote has served on numerous HIV clinical, care and prevention advisory boards in Indiana. She is a member of the US National Institutes of Health, Office of AIDS Research Advisory Council (OARAC) and the Well Project's US Women and HIV Research Initiative (WRI).



Neal Carnes, MA, is a student in the IUPUI Fairbanks School of Public Health's Ph.D. program in Health Policy and Management. Neal completed his Master's Degree in Sociology, IUPUI, in September 2012. His Master's thesis considered the meanings gay men who use methamphetamine ascribe to their meth use and sexual relations. Neal started working in HIV in 1995 as the Education and Communications Specialist with Washington DC's Whitman-Walker Clinic conducting HIV prevention in local gay bars, bathhouses, and with male sex workers. These experiences, in conjunction with his own experience living with HIV, initiated a passion for those affected by the disease. Since then, Neal has worked at the University of California at San Francisco's Center for AIDS Prevention Studies and has conducted HIV counseling and testing among street-based sex workers. In addition, he managed recruitment for the National Institutes of Health's HIV vaccine program. More recently, Neal managed Indiana's Ryan White-funded program (in his position as the HIV Medical Services Program Director of the Indiana State Department of Health HIV/STD Division) as well as managed Indiana's HIV Incidence program. The prior program ensures low income, Indiana-residents who are HIV positive and without medical insurance have access to care and treatment. Neal left the Indiana State Department of Health to continue his pursuit of higher education with the intention of acquiring a Ph.D.



SAN Member Accomplishments

AWARDS

Dr. Samuel Friedman, Recipient of NIDA 2012 Avant-Garde Award



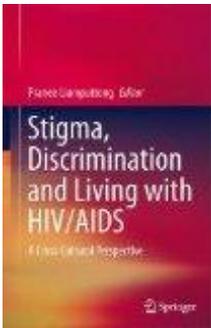
Congratulations are due to **Samuel Friedman**, of the NDRI Institute for AIDS Research, on his receipt of a prestigious NIDA 2012 Avant-Garde Award for HIV/AIDS Research. This annual award by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) is intended to stimulate high-impact research that may lead to groundbreaking opportunities for the prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS in drug abusers. Dr. Friedman will receive \$500,000 per year for five years to support his Avant-Garde research project "Preventing HIV Transmission by the Recently-infected."

Award: Half or more of HIV transmission events may occur within the period of high infectivity that can last 11 months or more after a person is initially infected. Unfortunately, current intervention methods have not found effective ways to identify people during this "recent infection" period, which greatly reduces our ability to prevent transmission by them. Dr. Friedman's research team plans to identify people newly infected with HIV and link them to care while also addressing HIV transmission through novel interventions that include community alerts and education, and efforts to prevent stigmatization, in the social networks and venues of those who have been recently infected. These interventions should reduce transmission even by many recently-infected people whom the project is unable to identify. The project will use up-to-date testing technologies and innovative network tracing and intervention techniques to shorten infection chains and reduce HIV transmission rates. Dr. Friedman hopes to test this intervention model (once it is finalized) to reduce HIV transmission in three locations where transmission is occurring rapidly: Among people who inject drugs and their extended networks in Greece and in Ukraine and among drug-using African American men who have sex with men and their extended networks.

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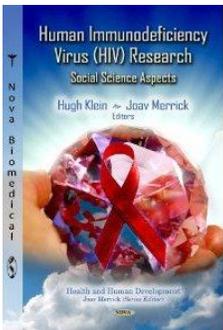
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Book Description: Up until now, many articles have been written to portray stigma and discrimination which occur with people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) in many parts of the world. But this is the first book which attempts to put together results from empirical research relating to stigma, discrimination and living with HIV/AIDS. The focus of this book is on issues relevant to stigma and discrimination which have occurred to individuals and groups in different parts of the globe, as well as how these individuals and groups attempt to deal with HIV/AIDS. The book comprises chapters written by researchers who carry out their projects in different

parts of the world and each chapter contains empirical information based on real life situations. This can be used as an evidence for health care providers to implement socially and culturally appropriate services to assist individuals and groups who are living with HIV/AIDS in many societies. The book is of interest to health care providers who have their interests in working with individuals and groups who are living with HIV/AIDS from a cross-cultural perspective. It will be useful for students and lecturers in courses such as anthropology, sociology, social work, nursing, public health and medicine. In particular, it will assist health workers in community health centres and hospitals in understanding issues related to HIV/AIDS and hence provide culturally sensitive health care to people living with HIV/AIDS from different social and cultural backgrounds. The book is useful for anyone who is interested in HIV/AIDS-related stigma and discrimination in diverse social and cultural settings. For details, see <http://www.springer.com/social+sciences/wellbeing+%26+quality-of-life/book/978-94-007-6323-4>

Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) research: Social Science Aspects, 2012

Editors: Hugh Klein (Kensington Research Institute, Silver Spring, MD); **Joav Merrick** (Medical Director, Health Services, Division for Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities, Ministry of Social Affairs & Social Services, Jerusalem, Israel)



Book Description: Looking back over the course of the three-plus decades of the HIV/AIDS epidemic, scholars and researchers have made many significant strides in understanding and responding to HIV and AIDS. From the inception of the HIV/AIDS epidemic during the early 1980s until the mid-1990s, when highly active antiretroviral treatment (HAART) was introduced as an innovative and highly-effective way of controlling HIV and HIV-related diseases, the "average" person diagnosed as being HIV-positive could expect to live for several months and if lucky, for a few years. Today, with the medical advances that have been made in the fight against HIV/AIDS, people who have contracted HIV usually can expect to live relatively healthy lives, in most instances for many years without experiencing any serious complications of HIV disease. This book focuses on the social science aspects of current HIV research. (Imprint: Nova Biomedical)

Several SAN Members also have chapters in SAN Member Hugh Klein's recent edited book Pub listed on page 5.

Ch 2 - Internet advice on disclosure of HIV status to sexual partners in an era of criminalization (Bronwen Lichtenstein)*Open Access Chapter. Free Download Available*****

Ch 3 - Childhood maltreatment and HIV risk-taking among men using the internet specifically to find partners for unprotected sex (Hugh Klein and David Tilley)

Ch 5 - Refashioning stigma: Experiencing and managing HIV/AIDS in the biomedical era. (Yordanos Tiruneh)

Ch 6 - Condom use attitudes and HIV risk among American MSM seeking partners for unprotected sex via the internet (Hugh Klein and Rachel L Kaplan)

Ch 7 - Beyond sexual partnerships: The lack of condom use during vaginal sex with steady partners (Lara DePadilla, Kirk W Elifson and Claire E Sterk)

OTHER

Video: "Women Activists Join UNAIDS in its Ongoing Campaign"



Carrie Foote was among a group of women activists from around the world featured in a short video highlighting the social structural barriers to quality health care faced by women living with HIV/AIDS. The video is part of the United Nation AIDS (UNAIDS) efforts in its ongoing campaign to end new HIV infections in children by 2015 and keeping their mothers alive. In addition to being featured in the video, Carrie also contributed to drafting and finalizing the script for the video. The video was taken at the International AIDS Conference in DC, July 2012. The video is located on this UNAIDS Sponsored website: Click on: "Women Activists Join UNAIDS in its Ongoing Campaign" <http://www.zero-hiv.org/advocate-for-it/> It is also featured on YouTube: <http://youtu.be/8ju2grqLKjM>

December 2012 - The POZ 100-The Defenders.

Judy Auerbach was listed among the 13 folks as POZ defenders (see below from POZ).

THE DEFENDERS



We can never end the AIDS pandemic with only an HIV cure. We'll also need new technologies to prevent future infections. On that front we have what are called biomedical prevention efforts.

They include: pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP, when HIV-negative people take ARVs to prevent infection), treatment as prevention (TasP, the idea that positive people on successful treatment have lower viral loads and are thus less likely to spread HIV), male circumcision (particularly among heterosexual men in Africa) and microbicides (gels, creams or rings for vaginal and rectal use that can inhibit infection). Efforts to develop a vaccine slowly continue.

It's true that medical approaches to prevent disease are sometimes met with skepticism—after all, few, if any, come without risks such as side effects and long-lasting problems like drug resistance—but the potential benefits of options now available appear thus far to outweigh potential risks. And importantly, research into kinder, gentler, easier-to-use and even more effective options continues steadily.

The 13 people below are some of the leaders in the biomedical prevention field who have helped usher in a new era of safer-sex tools and continue to advance the science and policy needed to reduce the number of new HIV

cases.

Judy Auerbach

A "public sociologist" by training, Auerbach is a policy and research consultant who has worked tirelessly in the arenas of HIV/AIDS, women's health and gender equity; she has a particular interest in advancing research that explores drivers of the epidemic and novel ways to prevent it. At AIDS 2012, she presented focus group research regarding PrEP attitudes among U.S. women

For the full article see: http://www.poz.com/articles/POZ_100_Defenders_2746_23147.shtml

ASA SAN Sponsored Thematic Session 2013

SAN is pleased to announce that ASA has accepted a SAN sponsored Thematic Session for the 2013 meeting in NYC. See below for details. A special thanks to those who attended the SAN business meeting last August for proposing the session, and **Celeste Watkins-Hayes** for taking the lead on the proposal and ensuring its submission to ASA for consideration!

2013 ASA Annual Meeting – SAN Sponsored Thematic Session. Ending an Epidemic in an Era of Rising Inequality? The AIDS Paradox in the United States

Abstract: For the first time since the discovery of the disease, researchers, clinicians, activists, and advocates see promising opportunities to end the AIDS pandemic due to recent innovations in prevention and treatment strategies. However, the most consequential medical advances must be coupled with structural shifts to ensure that the access and efficacy of these discoveries are not hampered by pervasive inequalities. This session will focus on the ways in which HIV/AIDS highlights structural, institutional, and interpersonal inequalities and will require a focused and thoughtful engagement with issues of economic, political, and social inequality in order to end the epidemic. Panelists will speak to the social determinants of HIV risk, prevention, and treatment as well as the sociological lessons that the epidemic reveals about the relationship between inequality and health. Special attention will be paid to the disparate and ongoing impact of the epidemic on particular populations (e.g. Blacks, gay men/Men who have sex with men, low-income groups) in the United States.



Session Organizer:

Celeste M. Watkins-Hayes (Northwestern University)

President:

Judith D. Auerbach

Papers/Presenters:

Betwixt and Between: Navigating HIV Treatment through Cycles of Incarceration

**Megan Lee Comfort (RTI International)*

A Transdisciplinary Social Network, Venue, and Community Intervention to Help Recently-infected African American Men Who Have Sex with Men (MSM)

**Samuel R. Friedman (Natl. Development & Research Inst.)*

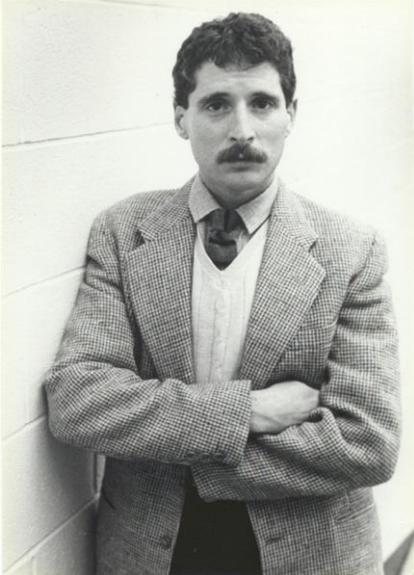
The HIV Epidemic among African Americans in Washington DC

**Sanyu A. Mojola (University of Colorado at Boulder)*

Resources Gained, Resources Lost: Negotiating Economic Survival and Mobility while Living with HIV/AIDS

**Celeste M. Watkins-Hayes (Northwestern University)*

Remembering Martin Levine (July 26, 1950 - April 3, 1993)



Biographical essay about Martin Levine by M. S. Kimmel and J. H. Gagnon
(<http://www2.asanet.org/governance/MartinLevine.html>)

“One of the programs administered by ASA was established through a significant bequest from Martin Levine. When Levine died, he devoted the bulk of his estate to establish the Martin P. Levine Memorial Dissertation Fellowship fund, which is administered through the ASA’s Sexualities section (formerly administered by the Sex and Gender section). This award provides a one-year fellowship to a graduate student writing a dissertation about one of the areas that Levine was dedicated to researching. Time can rob us of the memory of how programs began, so this page provides a capsule summary of Levine and the important program he created. The following article by Michael S. Kimmel and John H. Gagnon was published in the October 1993 issue of *Footnotes* (page 23): Martin P. Levine, a pioneer in the sociological study of homosexuality, died of AIDS on April 3, 1993, at his home in New York City. Marty Levine was a devoted teacher, a pioneering researcher, an enthusiastic and powerful presence within the ASA. He was also a delightful, witty, charming, and deeply caring friend and colleague.

At the time of his death, Marty was on disability leave as Associate Professor of Sociology at Florida Atlantic University, in Boca Raton, Florida, and a Research Associate at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. He also served on the National Academy of Sciences Panel that was monitoring the Social Impact of the AIDS epidemic, and was a community liaison with the Burroughs Wellcome Corporation, assisting the company in channeling some of its AZT profits back into the communities affected by the epidemic.

Born and raised in a working-class family in Brooklyn, NY, Marty was proud of his professional accomplishments that marked his upward mobility. The first member of his family to attend college, Marty graduated from SUNY at Binghamton in 1972 with a BA in Sociology. He received his MA (1977) and PhD (1986) from New York University.

His dissertation, *Gay Macho: the Life and Death of the Homosexual Clone* placed gay male sexuality squarely within a socially constructed masculine sexuality. Based on extensive field work within various sites for gay male sexual expression (bars, bathhouses, sex clubs), Marty chronicled the changing masculinities of the community of gay men. He saw the transition from “failed men” to “real men” as evidence for the socially constructed nature of both sexuality and gender.

Marty’s teaching and research revolved around making gender and sexuality visible, within the academy, within the American Sociological Association, and in the world at large. He was one of the first sociologists to define homosexuality as a field of study His edited collection, *Gay Men: The Sociology Of Male Homosexuality* (Harper and Row, 1979), was a pioneering anthology that used sociological concepts to understand the emergence of a gay male community In 1980, while researching the dissertation, Marty was hired by Bloomfield College, where he taught, as Assistant and Associate Professor, until 1991. While at Bloomfield, Marty’s extraordinary teaching abilities blossomed. He was an especially gifted teacher, utterly devoted to his students. He twice won “best teacher” awards at Bloomfield, and prided himself on the fact that as a gay white man, he was the faculty advisor to the black student organization, the gay student organization, and one of the school’s fraternities. Rarely has anyone been able to bridge those communities on any campus. Marty also taught at Queens College and at New York University.

“One could not have hoped for a better colleague, a more devoted teacher, a more selflessly supportive mentor, or a more loving and caring friend.”

While his work with undergraduate students at Bloomfield was enormously satisfying, Marty was also devoted to the mentoring of graduate students who were undertaking research on homosexuality, gender, and human sexuality and, later, research on the AIDS epidemic. Through his work in the ASA's Gay and Lesbian Caucus, he worked informally with graduate students, providing a level of nurturing and support that went far beyond any expectations. Many younger gay and lesbian sociologists got their first "break" on a conference panel he organized or by his careful and considerate commentary and critique of their work.

In the past several years, as the gay and lesbian community became increasingly preoccupied with the AIDS epidemic, so too did Marty's work. Even before he was diagnosed as HI V-positive, he had begun to look for ways to bring the concerns of social scientists and the AIDS community together to develop responsible and responsive research opportunities. Marty pioneered undergraduate courses about AIDS, developing one of the nation's first courses about AIDS and homosexuality.

Marty directed a National Institute of Mental Health study of sexual decision-making among gay men, advised Commissioner Frank Lilly of the Presidential Commission on the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Epidemic, and testified about AIDS antibody testing, violence against gay men and lesbians, and employment discrimination against lesbians and gay men before the United States Congress, the Colorado state legislature, and the New York City Council.

Among Marty's many publications were several particularly important articles. "The Life and Death of the Homosexual Clone" (In *Gay Culture In America*, edited by Gilbert Herdt, Boston: Beacon Press, 1992) recapitulated the argument of his dissertation in distilled form. His co-authored "The Motives of Gay Men for Taking or not Taking the HIV Antibody Test" (*Social Problems*, 36, 1989) presented the results of collaborative research on gay men's sexual decision making. "The Myth of Sexual Compulsivity" (with Richard Troiden, published in *The Journal Of Sex Research*, 25, 1988) unmasked the ideological component of the new disease called sex addiction. And "Discrimination against Lesbians in the Work Force" (with Robin Leonard) was published in *Signs* (8, 1984) special "Lesbian Issue," a placement which especially tickled his pro-feminist political sensibilities.

Marty's death brings into the ASA first modern scholars to initiate the stark reality of the AIDS epidemic in a profound way, since so much of his activity had been to establish the visibility and the legitimacy of gay men and lesbians within the organization. He was energetic in developing organizational ways for lesbian and gay male scholars to gain acceptance for their work. He was among the founders of the ASA's Lesbian and Gay Caucus, and founded the Sociologists AIDS Network (SAN).

At ASA's annual conventions, Marty was a constant and visible presence, arguing pointedly about the inclusion of gays and lesbians from the floor of ASA Council or at open business meetings, organizing sessions and presenting current research, and networking. He also organized some of the most enjoyable and memorable caucus parties, and bar-hopping expeditions in major cities where conventions were held.

Marty also used his prodigious interpersonal skills to bring the academic research and the major organizational and corporate players responding to the epidemic, face to face with the anger and anguish of the gay and lesbian community itself. As a member of the community liaison committee for Burroughs Wellcome, he was able to provide funding for all of the communities affected by the epidemic. Marty was no single-cause activist, and he was eager to use his abilities to provide resources for everyone harmed by the epidemic.

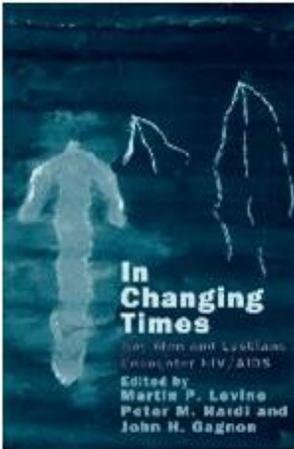
It seems fitting that even in his death, Marty remains committed to serving as a mentor and supporter of those younger scholars who are undertaking research on homosexuality, AIDS, or human sexuality in general. He used the largest share of his estate to establish the Martin P. Levine Memorial Dissertation Fellowship Award fund, which will be administered through the Sex and Gender section of the ASA. This award will provide a one-year fellowship to a graduate student writing a dissertation about one of the areas that Marty was so dedicated to researching. (Members of the ASA who are interested in contributing to this fellowship fund can send their checks to the ASA, earmarked for the Martin Levine Dissertation Fund).

Marty Levine was one of our era's most visible, vocal, and vital gay sociologists. One could not have hoped for a better colleague, a more devoted teacher, a more selflessly supportive mentor, or a more loving and caring friend. He was all of these, and more, to both of us, and to all whose lives he touched. He will be sorely missed — indeed, he already is. *Michael S. Kimmel and John H. Gagnon, SUNY at Stony Brook.*

Martin Levine's Books

In Changing Times: Gay Men and Lesbians Encounter HIV/AIDS (1997)

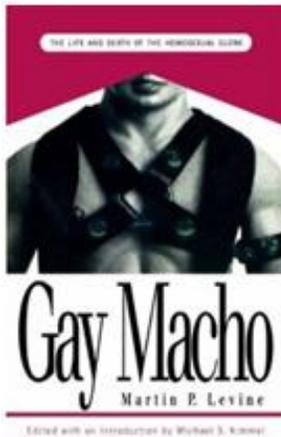
Edited by Martin P. Levine, Peter M. Nardi, and John H. Gagnon



The HIV/AIDS epidemic has been a major catastrophe for gay communities. In less than two decades, the disease has profoundly changed the lives of gay men and lesbians. Not just a biological and viral agent, HIV has become an opportunistic social invader, reshaping communities and the distribution of wealth, altering the social careers of gay professionals and the patterns of entry into gay and lesbian life, and giving birth to groups like ACT UP and Queer Nation. The distinguished contributors to this volume discuss the ways HIV/AIDS has changed. Before gay liberation, gay men were usually perceived as failed men—"inverts," men trapped in women's bodies. The 1970s saw a radical shift in gay male culture, as a male homosexuality emerged that embraced a more traditional masculine ethos. The gay clone, a muscle-bound, sexually free, hard-living Marlboro man, appeared in the gay enclaves of major cities, changing forever the face of gay male culture.

Gay Macho: The Life and Death of the Homosexual Clone (1998)

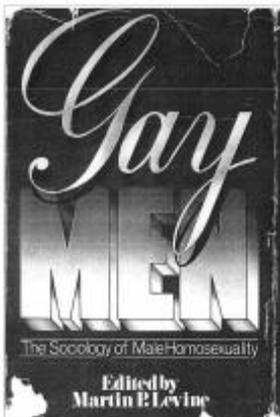
Martin P. Levine and Michael Kimmel



Gay Macho presents the ethnography of this homosexual clone. Martin P. Levine, a pioneer of the sociological study of homosexuality, was among the first social scientists to map the emergence of a gay community and this new style of gay masculinity. Levine was a participant in as well as an observer of gay culture in the 1970s, and this perspective allowed him to capture the true flavor of what it was like to be a gay man before AIDS. Levine's clone was a gender conformist, whose masculinity was demonstrated in patterns of social interaction and especially in his sexuality. According to Levine, his life centered around the "four D's: disco, drugs, dish, and dick." Later chapters, based on Levine's path-breaking empirical research, explore some of the epidemiological and social consequences of the AIDS epidemic on this particular substratum of the gay community. Although Levine explicitly refuses to pathologize gay men afflicted with HIV, his work develops a scathing, feminist-inspired critique of masculinity, whether practiced by gay or straight men.

Gay Men: The Sociology of Male Homosexuality (1979)

Edited by Martin Levine



Less than the years ago, the subject of homosexuality was considered too offensive for public discussion. Today it is debated in legislatures, courts, and living rooms. Although many histories of homosexuality and gay rights have been written, very little has been devoted to the "gay lifestyle". Here, from a wide variety of sources, and including original essays and reprints from magazine and journal articles, Martin Levine presents a lucid and accurate appraisal of the male homosexual subculture, based on recent social science research.

SAN MARTIN LEVINE STUDENT ESSAY AWARD WINNERS

Importantly, several of the SAN Essay Award winners went on to publish their papers which attest to the high quality of the author's work! Please note that we have incomplete information on the SAN paper winners – we are missing information for winners from 1995-2001. If anyone has records from these dates, please send the details to Carrie, foote@iupui.edu

2012	Daniel Grace	Reconceiving the 'problem' in HIV prevention: HIV Testing Technologies and the Criminalization of HIV non-disclosure
2011	Yordanosnu Tiruneh	Refashioning Stigma: Experiencing and Managing HIV/AIDS in the Biomedical Era (Later published as: 2012. Refashioning stigma: Experiencing and managing HIV/AIDS in the biomedical era. <i>International Public Health Journal</i> . Vol 4 (4).)
2010	Lynn Gazley	Generating Data and Creating Knowledge in the Global Research Landscape
2010	Gabriel Tourek	Honorable Mention Paper - An Evaluation of Determinants of HIV Testing Among AA Men who have Sex with Men in Detroit Michigan
2009	Trevor Hoppe	Circuits of Power, Circuits of Pleasure: Sexual Scripting in Gay Men's Bottom Narratives (Later published as: 2011. Circuits of power, circuits of pleasure: Sexual scripting in gay men's bottom narratives. <i>Sexualities</i> . 14:193-217.)
2009	Kaileigh McCrea	Honorable Mention Paper - Criminalization of HIV Transmission in Sub-Saharan Africa.
2008	Terrence McDonnell	Cultural Objects as Objects: Materiality, Urban Space, and the Interpretation of AIDS Campaigns in Accra Ghana (Later published as: May 2010. Cultural Objects as Objects: Materiality, Urban Space, and the Interpretation of AIDS Campaigns in Accra, Ghana. <i>American Journal of Sociology</i> , Vol. 115, No. 6, pp. 1800-1852)
2007	Monica Grant	Children's Participation and HIV/AIDS in Rural Malawi: The Role of Parental Knowledge and Perceptions (Later published as: 2008. Children's Participation and HIV/AIDS in Rural Malawi: The Role of Parental Knowledge and Perceptions. Article in <i>Demographic Research</i> . Vol 19 (Article 45).)
2006	Tasleem Padamsee	The Critical Role of Health Care Institutions in National AIDS Treatment Policy: Findings from the United States and the United Kingdom. (Later published as: 2008. Understanding the Making of National HIV/AIDS Policies: The Critical Role of Health Care Institutions. In <i>HIV/AIDS: Global Frontiers in Prevention/Intervention</i> , edited by Cynthia Pope, Renée White, and Robert Malow; Routledge, Inc.)
2005	Laura Minnich	HIV/AIDS Stigma and Discrimination in Trinidad: Understanding the Cultural Model in a Diverse Population.
2004	Amin Ghanziani	Anticipatory and Actualized Identities Cultural Analysis of the Transition from AIDS Disability to Work. (Later published as: 2004. Anticipatory and Actualized Identities: A Cultural Analysis of the Transition from AIDS Disability to Work. <i>The Sociological Quarterly</i> . 45(2): 273-301.
2003	Anthony Lombardo	(Web)Sites of Governmentality: Neo-Liberalism, the Internet and HIV/AIDS
2002	Carrie Foote	The Meaning of Alternative and Complementary Medicine among People Living with HIV/AIDS. (Later published as: 2003 Carrie E. Foote-Ardah. The Meaning of Complementary and Alternative Medicine Practices among People with HIV in the US: Strategies for Managing Everyday Life with HIV. <i>Sociology of Health and Illness</i> . 25 (5): 481-500.
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MARTIN P. LEVINE MEMORIAL DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP

<http://www2.asanet.org/sectionsex/awards.html>

The Martin Levine Memorial Dissertation Award was established to honor the memory of Martin Levine, who died of AIDS in 1993. This yearly award provides \$3,000 to a graduate student (and \$500 to an honorable mention) in the final stages of dissertation research and writing, who is working on those topics to which Levine devoted his career: 1) the sociology of sexualities, 2) the sociology of homosexuality, and 3) HIV/AIDS research. It is designed to help students complete their dissertations, and as such the committee evaluates dissertation proposals rather than completed work.

SAN Member Recipients

- 2012 Trevor Hoppe (U Michigan) "From Sickness to Badness: Enforcing Michigan HIV Law as a Site of Social Control"
- 2011 Honorable Mention-Tara McKay (UCLA) "(In)Visible Men: Constructing Men Who Have Sex with Men as a Global HIV Prevention Priority"
- 2008 Terence McDonnell (Northwestern University), "AIDS Streetscapes: A Social Iconography of AIDS Campaigns in Accra, Ghana."
- 2003 Tasleem Juana Padamsee (U Michigan) "Medicine and Inequality in the Welfare State: AIDS Policy- Making in the United States and the United Kingdom"
- 1997 Matt Mutchler (U Calif. Santa Barbara) "Young Gay Men's Sexual Stories: Encountering and Producing Sexual Politics, Masculinities, and Sexual Cultures in the Era of AIDS."
- 1997 Honorable Mention. Howard Lune (New York University). "Activating Unity: Community Action Networks and the Response to HIV/AIDS in New York City."

Upcoming Conferences and Events**Association for Social Sciences and Humanities in HIV Biannual Conference in Paris, July 7 – 10, 2013**

<http://www.asshhconference.org/>

Association for Social Sciences and Humanities in HIV will hold its second bi-annual conference in Paris, France, on July 7 – 10, 2013. This is a group of social scientists and humanities scholars who organized the very successful Durban conference last year. All are urged to think about abstracts and about coming. This is a conference where we talk to others like us at a fairly high level. Both Judy Auerbach and Sam Friedman are active in the group that is organizing the conference.

IAS 2013 Conference in Kuala Lumpur, 30 June – 3 July, 2013

<http://www.ias2013.org/>

The 7th IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention (IAS 2013), will be held from 30 June– 3 July 2013 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, and will be dedicated to the exploration and implementation of HIV science. We have been assured that the Prevention arm of this conference will be open to social science participation.

Summer Meetings

Importantly the summer meetings are in NYC for 2013. We normally have a high SAN turn out in NYC. So we hope to see you all there to celebrate the 2013 SAN Awards and discuss the future directions of SAN. Importantly, ASA has its usually special session dedicated to the Sociology of AIDS in the regular paper sessions.

In addition to the ASA Thematic Session organized by SAN Members, there are also several other sessions applicable to SAN members' work. So please do consider presenting and joining us at the summer meetings! SAN student members, please know that the conferences often have some travel funds for students to present and you can apply for the SAN scholarly award to help fund your travel costs to present as well.

Links to the main summer meetings:

<http://www.asanet.org/am2013/am2013.cfm>
http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/502/2013_Annual_Meeting/

Other Sociology Organizations also hold meetings in the summer at the same time as the main meetings and usually update their websites for such by January for their summer meetings, see for example:

<http://www.symbolicinteractin.org/>
<http://www.socwomen.org/web/>
<http://associationofblacksociologists.org/annual-conference/>

Note you do NOT have to register for the ASA meeting (of which you need to be a member to register) to join the SANbusiness meeting at the summer ASA conference. Details on location will be sent out soon and all you need to do is show up.

Opportunities – Awards, Papers, Grants, Training

Mar 8 **Fordham University HIV Prevention Research Ethics Training Institute.** Summer training and mentored research program for early career investigators call for applications. July 7-July 17, 2012 at Fordham University Center for Ethics Education, NYC.

http://www.fordham.edu/academics/office_of_research/research_centers_in/center_for_ethics_ed/hiv_prevention_resea/index.asp

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Announcing the SAN 2013 Awards – May 24 Deadline

Career Contributions to the Sociology of HIV/AIDS Award

This Sociologists of AIDS Network (SAN) award honors outstanding contributions to the Sociology of HIV/AIDS. The award recognizes work that has significantly advanced our understanding of social aspects of the pandemic, or that has contributed to prevention, treatment, or policy interventions. Nominees should have pursued substantial research and/or applied work related to HIV/AIDS, and should have worked in the field for at least ten years, normally longer. Nominations (of yourself or others) should include a statement of one-two pages about the nominee's qualifications and an [electronic](#) copy or web link to her/his CV. Scholars who were nominated in the previous round will automatically be re-considered, but nominators should feel free to submit additional materials. The winner will be notified in early August prior to the annual ASA meeting and will be announced at the SAN Business Meeting and in ASA Footnotes.

Submissions will be reviewed by Dr. Judy Auerbach (2008 SAN Career Award Winner), Dr. Bronwen Lichtenstein (2009 SAN Career Award Winner) and Dr. Matt Mutchler. Nominations (and questions) should be submitted to the committee chair, Judy Auerbach, at: judithd.auerbach@gmail.com by May 24, 2013.

2013 Martin Levine Student Paper Competition

The Sociologist AIDS Network (SAN) invites students to submit an original, 20-30 page (double-spaced) paper on the social dimensions of HIV/AIDS for the annual student paper competition. The topic is broadly defined and can include any aspect of HIV/AIDS from a sociological perspective. The student must be the first author and must have written most, if not all, of the manuscript. The winner will be notified in early August prior to the annual ASA meeting and will be announced at the SAN Business Meeting and in ASA Footnotes. The winner will receive an award of \$100 and a five-year membership to SAN. Submissions will be reviewed by Dr. Lynn Gazley (Paper Committee Chair), Daniel Grace (2012 paper award winner), and Dr. Ami Moore. Papers should be submitted by e-mail to Dr. Lynn Gazley, at: lynn.gazley@gmail.com by May 24, 2013.

2013 SAN Scholarly Activity Award

The Sociologist AIDS Network (SAN) Scholarly Activity Award aims to nurture scholarly interest in the sociology of HIV/AIDS by supporting the work of emerging scholars in the field. One-two applicants will be chosen each year to receive a one-time award of up to \$250 and a year of free membership in SAN. Any graduate student working on topics in the sociology of HIV/AIDS are eligible to apply. Supportable activities include, but are not limited to: 1) Research expenses such as providing incentives to research subjects, transcribing interviews, or copying archival materials; Travel to conferences to present original research.

Applications should include:

- A complete budget for your conference travel, research project, or other scholarly activity.
- A project proposal of 2-4 pages, including:
 - Description of the research project to be completed or presented.
 - Contribution of your scholarly activity to the Sociology of AIDS.
 - Description of how funds will be used and when the activity will be completed.
- One letter of recommendation from your thesis/dissertation chair or faculty advisor.

The winner(s) will be notified in early August prior to the annual ASA meeting and will be announced at the SAN Business Meeting and in ASA Footnotes.

Submissions will be reviewed by Ben Drury (Scholarly Award Committee Chair), Dr. Jorge Fontdevila, and Dr. Laura Bisailon. Nominations (and questions) should be submitted to the committee chair, Ben Drury, at: bmdrury@iupui.edu by May 24, 2013.

