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Registration Material for the 2010 Annual Meeting and Conference.

Take advantage of the lower rate for members and early birds!

Session Chairs, Volunteers, Presenters, Nominees Needed

To get involved with the 60th meeting as a participant, attendee, volunteer, or to nominate a colleague for one of the elected offices of PSS contact Barbara Denison or Susan Eichenberger. (see page 2 for addresses and telephone numbers)

What is *Socioline*?

Socioline is the official newsletter of the Pennsylvania Sociological Society. After a short hiatus *Socioline* re-emerged in the spring of 2010. At one time the newsletter was published bi-monthly, then semi-annually. A few years ago it was quietly discontinued with the belief that people interested in PSS news would simply access the website. This effort at reinstating a hard copy of the newsletter is a part of the Executive Committee's efforts to bring back old members and enlist new ones. If you wish to contribute a tidbit of news to *Socioline* (a new book release, award you received, academic event, or other news) please send the information to the editor at azumpetta@verizon.net

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR SUBMISSIONS TO *SOCIOLOGICAL VIEWPOINTS* AND *SOCIOLINE*

All correspondence and submissions to *Sociological Viewpoints* and *Socioline* must be directed to the following address:

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***Sociological Viewpoints* Celebrates Its Silver Anniversary in 2010**

The Pennsylvania Sociological Society is one of the few state sociological organization publishing its own peer reviewed journal. Founded in 1985 by Dr. Charles E. "Chuck" Babbitt, the journal has been an important part of the PSS mission. The year 2010 marks the 25th anniversary of *Sociological Viewpoints*.

This year the Society will pay special recognition to Dr. Babbitt and other past editors of the journal at its annual meeting to be held at Mansfield University of PA in October. Make plans to attend this year's meeting. Registration forms, membership renewal and application forms, and places to stay are included in this issue of *Socioline*.

PSS Now on *FACEBOOK*

Thanks to PSS Secretary Ellen Gunther, the Pennsylvania Sociological Society is now on **Facebook**. PSS can be found on Facebook by searching "Pennsylvania Sociological Society". **Facebook** will be a good tool to expand the exposure of the society and connect with college students. If current members with **Facebook** accounts share it, the word about PSS will travel to other networks. Currently there is an event posting for the conference, a call for papers, and links to the official PSS website. For more information about **Facebook** and the PSS entry contact Ellen Gunther by e-mail at ellen.msnomer@gmail.com

THE PENNSYLVANIA GRAND CANYON

Pine Creek Gorge is located only a few miles from Mansfield University. Bring the family for a little hiking on Friday before the conference begins or on Sunday. The following is copied from the Tioga County tourism web page. For more information visit <http://visittiogapa.com/canyon.html>

Pine Creek Gorge, commonly referred to as the Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania is surrounded by approximately 165,000 acres of the Tioga State Forest. The Canyon begins south of Ansonia along US Route 6 and continues for approximately 47 miles. The maximum depth of the canyon is 1,450 feet at Waterville, near the southern end. At Leonard Harrison and Colton Point State Parks, the depth is more than 800 feet. These overlooks offer the most spectacular views. Pine Creek Gorge received national acclaim in 1968 when the National Park Service designated a 12-mile section as a National Natural Landmark.

Hiking the Turkey Path from Leonard Harrison State Park will wind you past waterfalls and areas of beautiful scenery. The Trail steeply descends one mile to the Canyon floor. The Overlook Trail, a .6-mile loop, offers a scenic vista along the way. Picnic areas, playground, a seasonal visitor center and gift shop are also available for your enjoyment.

Colton Point State Park features the rustic charm of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) era of the 1930s. The Park also highlights 4 miles of hiking trails including the Turkey Path Trail. This very narrow trail steeply descends to the floor of the Canyon and does not allow access across Pine Creek to the other side of the Gorge. Many more miles of trails are accessible through the Tioga State Forest, adjacent to the park.

Undergraduate Student Paper Competition

Students desiring to compete in the Undergraduate Student Paper Competition can submit projects they completed as undergraduates. This includes papers written at any undergraduate level. If a student completed their work as a senior last year prior to graduation they are still eligible for the 2010 competition. For more information contact Vice President Charles Gallagher at LaSalle University.

The winner of the 2009 Undergraduate Student Paper Competition was Andrea L. Phillips of Grove City College.



One of the many breath taking views from beautiful Tioga County not far from Mansfield University.

The Pennsylvania Sociological Society Archival Project

A Message from Immediate Past President Chad M. Kimmel, Shippensburg University

I would also like to draw your attention to a special PSS Project. We are actively collecting PSS history. Do you have any old newsletters, programs, pictures, agendas, etc? Do you have any old PSS boxes in the attic? If so, please contact me. Over the summer, Dr. Steve Burg of the Applied History Program at Shippensburg University, and his class, rummaged through five document boxes of PSS history. They organized and cataloged it, storing all important items in archival boxes, files/folders; they even proposed a location for the final PSS archive. We are so grateful for their work. Yet the job is not over. Indeed, what the class found was that we are missing much of the PSS history between 1950 and 1970! So, dig, dig, dig. We will also be reaching out to some of our older members for some oral history interviews. If you are interested in participating in this project, either as an interviewer or interviewee, please contact me.

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