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FROM THE PRESIDENT OF SSSS: TERRY HUMPHREYS

I am humbled and honoured to be writing my first column for the Sexual Science Newsletter as President of our organization. In the same month that I become President of SSSS, Canada, my home country, has elected a new Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, who has restored an optimism among many of my compatriots that liberal, progressive thought and policies are back! He has set the tone early by comprising his cabinet with equal numbers of female and male ministers. When he was questioned about why he thought equality was important, he simply said “because it is 2015”. This is Canada’s own “hope and change” at work. Hopefully America will follow suit with its own progressive move and put Hilary in the White House!

As I reflect on my time at SSSS, as a member since 1999 and a Board member since 2011, I have witnessed our own organization at the forefront of progressive thought in sexuality research, education, and practice.

The hopes that I have for our great organization I believe are the hopes that all of our members share...to advance rigorous sexual science, to open hearts and minds through educate, to help those in need, and to champion sexual rights. The multidimensional nature of our organization is also our most precious strength. Together, complementing each other, we can achieve great things.

I would be remiss if I did not recognize and thank my predecessors for building SSSS into the organization it is today. Significant restructuring of both the administrative and the governance systems took place under the leadership of Michael Reece. Thank you Michael. Osmo Kontulo led the charge for more internationalism. Not just so that more of the world became aware of us, but that more of us also thought it important to become more global in our perspective. Thank you Osmo. Of

course, the bedrock of this organization is our Executive Director, Mandy Peters, whose unwavering devotion and dedication to SSSS cannot be overstated. Thank you Mandy.

So now, SSSS finds itself in a healthy financial state, with a devoted membership base (which we need to grow!), and a sense that our science, education and practice have never been more necessary. We now look forward to being able to prioritize a number of goals for the organization, including growing the membership base, growing the international appeal of SSSS, and mentoring an active student membership that can ensure our impact on the future.

Pierre Elliot Trudeau (Justin’s father) was famous for saying “the state has no business in the bedrooms of the nation”. He makes a great point. That’s **our** business! And we have our work cut out for us.



In Memoriam: Dell Williams

After being humiliated by a department-store clerk when she tried to buy a vibrator in 1974, Dell was moved to start Eve's Garden, the New York boutique widely described as the nation's first sex shop catering specifically to women. Dell died this past March at her home in Manhattan; she was 92.

When Dell founded Eve's Garden at her kitchen table, discussions of female sexuality in general, and female orgasm in particular, had long been taboo. The only sex shops were owned by, and catered to, men. Today, thanks partly to Ms. Williams's work, the women's sex-product industry is a multimillion-dollar concern nationwide.

Ms. Williams was for four decades a nationally known advocate of women's liberation, sexuality and sexual health - a stance founded on the premise, as she often put it, that "women have a right to sexual expression."

Dell is fondly remembered as a regular at SSSS meetings and a pioneer.

** Adapted from the NY Times Obituaries*

THE JOURNAL OF SEX RESEARCH

Cynthia A. Graham, JSR Editor: WHAT'S NEW WITH JSR?

Here are a few updates, for your reading pleasure:

- Last year publication of the journal was increased to 9 issues (up from 8 issues). All 9 issues have been published (Volume 52, issues 1-9). All of the issues were published on time or ahead of schedule.
- For 2016, the publishers have increased the page count to 1,224 pages (up from 1,080 pages), which is 136 pages per issue.
- There are currently 5 Associate Editors (Dennis Fortenberry, Osmo Kontula, Zoe Peterson, Margaret Rosario, and John Wincze). Additionally, Sari van Anders began a 5-year term as ARSR Editor in January 1, 2015. I would like to thank the Associate Editors for their continued commitment and hard work, particularly as the number of submissions has continued to

increase.

- There are currently 42 Consulting Editors on the Editorial Board. In 2015 eight new Consulting Editors joined the Board: Aaron Devor (University of Victoria, Canada); Gert Martin Hald (University of Copenhagen, Denmark); Anthony Bogaert (Brock University, Canada); Robyn Shephardson (VA Center for Integrated Healthcare, USA); Theo Sandfort (Columbia University, USA); L. Monique Ward (University of Michigan, USA); Miriam Forbes (University of Minnesota, USA); Kirstin Mitchell (University of Glasgow, Scotland).
- Two Consulting Editors retired from the board in 2015: Clive Davis and Marta Meana. Clive was involved with the journal for 38 years and was Editor-in-Chief of JSR from 1977 until 1987. Marta served as a Consulting Editor since

2009. We thank them both for their hard work and commitment to the journal.

- Our overall accept ratio for manuscripts received in 2014 was 20.6% (compared with 17.5% in 2013).

- From January 1 to October 31, 2015, we received 377 new manuscripts and 288 revised manuscripts. The projected number of new manuscripts for 2015 is 453.

- The mean turnaround time (from submission to first decision letter) for the manuscripts submitted since

January 1, 2015 was 53.9 days (range 15-105 days).

- The 2014 impact factor for JSR was 2.695 (a slight decrease from 2013, when it was 2.730) and the 5-year impact factor was 3.103, an increase from last year when it was 2.855. This is the first time we have achieved a 5-year impact factor over 3.

- The journal was ranked 1st out of 95 journals in the Social Sciences, Interdisciplinary category and 28th out of 119 journals classified as Psychology, Clinical.

Meet the Spring Student Research Grant Award Winner

Jody Ahlm is a Sociology PhD student at University of Illinois at Chicago. Her research interests include technology and sexuality, gender, bodies and embodiment, and queer theory. She teaches classes on sexualities, social inequalities, and gender. Her study "Hookup Apps: New Technologies and Changing Sexualities" investigates the use of two hookup apps, Grindr for gay men and Tinder--marketed to heterosexuals but also used by non-heterosexuals. These apps are part of a growing trend of internet-mediated relationships and reflect the increasing normalization of casual sex, or "hooking up." The study will use in-depth interviews with app users and app executives, as well as media analysis of news articles and popular content about the apps to answer questions about the relationships between technology, sexuality, and social context.



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TOP TWEETS FROM SSSS 2015

@Kristen_Mark:

"I'm not going from A to B. I've simply always been C." A great quote provided by Bockting about the trans experience #SSSS2015

@JohnSakaluk:

I meta-analyzed the sexual health and self-esteem literature--you won't believe what happened next. #SSSS2015 #BuzzFeedTitles

@JoeCurrin4Real:

It's a bit surreal to have a leading researcher tweeting your work based on their work! #SSSS2015 #1stSSSSNotMyLast

@JulieVAD:

"Are we about justice, or are we about 'just us'?" asks a tearful Mandy Carter re social issues #SSSS2015

@DrZhana:

Do all ppl in rltnshps wanna fuck others, as @fakedansavage says? No. Some do, some don't. @ldhamz #SSSS2015



The Bonnie and Vern L. Bullough Book Award

This Book Award is given annually by the Foundation for the Scientific Study of Sexuality (FSSS) for the most distinguished book written for the professional sexological community published during the previous year.

The book must be an original work, that is, not a new edition or an anthology from multiple authors. Its primary audience must be professionals working in the field of sexology, from any disciplinary perspective. To submit nominations, the author(s) or their publisher, or any individual acting with the author's consent should submit one copy of the work, accompanied by a cover letter indicating that the book is being submitted for consideration for the award. An administrative nonrefundable fee of \$20 must be enclosed for each book nominated, check payable to FSSS.

The deadline for submitting nominations for books published in 2015 is May 1, 2016. For a more complete description of award criteria and the review process, contact Herb Samuels, Ph.D., hsamuels@lagcc.cuny.edu, or visit <http://fsssonline.org/>



Did you know that SSSS members can search for each other and get in contact through the directory on the sexscience.org website? Now you do!



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Member News!



Dr. Nathan Lachowsky has been hired as an Assistant Professor in the School of Public Health and Social Policy at the University of Victoria in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada starting July 2016. He will teach within the Social Dimensions of Health program, which is a research-intensive graduate program with an innovative approach to interdisciplinary health research (thesis-based MSc & PhD; <http://web.uvic.ca/sdhealth/>). Nathan's research interests include sexual health, HIV/AIDS prevention and care, LGBTQ+ populations, community-based research, and health equity. (If interested in working together, you can reach out to him at nlachowsky@cfenet.ubc.ca) Good Luck Nathan!

Scott Semenyna, of the University of Lethbridge in Alberta, Canada, defended his MSc. thesis in Psychology on Nov 9th, 2015. It was titled: "Bullying, Physical Aggressivity, Gender Atypicality, and Sexual Orientation in Males" and has already spawned two publications: one in the journal of Personality and Individual Differences (doi:10.1016/j.paid.2015.07.032) and the other appearing soon in the Archives of Sexual Behavior. Great work Scott!





In Memoriam: Candida Royalle

Candida Royalle (aka Candice Vandala), a former porn star who went on to become a pioneering female director in the adult film industry, died in her home of ovarian cancer on September 7th. She was 64.

Royalle was 30 when she shifted from starring in movies to producing and directing films for her own company, Femme Productions. She defined her work as female-oriented, sensuously explicit cinema.

She was a founder of Feminists for Free Expression, a sex-positive organization that opposes censorship and created a support group for actresses in erotic films who are exploited by their employers.

In 2012, when asked whether pornography still deserved a bad rap, Royalle said: "Perhaps if we weren't still so consumed with guilt and shame about sex, neither watching nor performing in these films would carry the weight it does, but then, perhaps we wouldn't be so interested in them, either. If the fruit were not forbidden, would anyone care to take a bite?"

Update from Your Student Involvement Co-Chairs!

Another great SSSS annual meeting has gone by and your student Co-Chairs held several successful events (thanks to your attendance)! This year, Shayna Sparling and myself (Tiffany Marcantonio) hosted a number of great events, including a well attended and extremely awesome "Cocktails and Conversations" at Q bar! In addition to our events and outings, we also organized a special student session that featured Shayna, Chelsea Kilimnik, and Jessica Wood, who each gave insightful and helpful tips on a variety of methodology for conducting sex research.

While we had several amazing events and were extremely pleased to see the student and early professional turn out, we do have some bittersweet news. Shayna has now completed her time as a Student Co-Chair and has retired to bigger and better things. I personally want to say thank you to Shayna for all her hard work these past 2 years and for her great mentorship!

However, she leaves the committee in great hands and me with a brand new partner, Sasha Canan. Sasha is a doctoral student in Dr. Jozkowski's Sexual Health Research Lab at the University of Arkansas and I am pleased to welcome her as the junior Student Co-Chair. Over the next year, Sasha and I will be hard at work coming up with topics and events to host at the Annual Meeting in 2016. We hope to see you all in Phoenix and, until then, happy sex research! ~ Tiffany Marcantonio



Shayna and Tiffany After Dark in Albuquerque



Incoming Student Co-chair: Sasha Canan

Director Lawrence Ferrara has just made his feature documentary, Power Erotic available for academic use.

Translated in 6 languages, and an official selection of film festivals worldwide, it features a range of perspectives from distinguished academics, to sex workers and gay men, this film explores how power, dominance and submission influence gay male sexuality.

"Essential viewing for anyone interested in human sexuality."

More at
www.powererotic.net



PHOTOS FROM SSSS2015 IN ⁶ALBUQUERQUE, NM!



A group of students and early professionals enjoying the SSSS After Dark Event!



The SSSS Student Involvement Chairs were very pleased with the turnout to their Conversations and Cocktails event!



SSSS Presidents: Past (Kontula), Present (Humphreys), and Future (Buhi)!



2016 SSSS Board of Directors!
Humphreys, Koken, Rodriguez-Diaz, Peters, Jozkowski, Mark, Buhi, Kontula, Irwin, Banik, Marcantino!



2015 SSSS Board of Directors: Kontula, Koken, Jozkowski, Rodriguez-Diaz, Humphreys, Banik, Sparling, and Mandy Peters!

Job Openings!

Assistant Professor in Clinical Psychology

The Department of Psychology at the **University of Ottawa** is accepting applications for one (1) tenure-track position, at the Assistant Professor level, in Clinical Psychology. Candidates from all areas of Clinical Psychology are encouraged to apply.

Note that the University of Ottawa is a bilingual institution, and all professors in the Faculty of Social Sciences must be actively bilingual to gain tenure. The successful candidate will be required to teach in both English and French from their second year in the department. The University of Ottawa offers second-language training to staff members and their spouses.

More Information: <https://www.uottawa.ca/vice-president-academic/faculty-affairs/faculty-recruitment/openings>

Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor

The School of Psychology at the **University of Ottawa** is accepting applications for two (2) tenure-track positions in Psychology at the rank of Assistant, Associate or Full Professor. The candidates should have a Ph.D. in Psychology and have demonstrated excellence and leadership in research using fMRI or PET technology, as evidenced by their publication and grant record.

The successful candidates will have an affiliation with the Royal's Institute of Mental Health Research (IMHR). With a growing research institute currently comprised of over 30 active researchers and over 110 trainees, the IMHR continually strives to promote, support, integrate and disseminate basic and clinical research knowledge through collaboration efforts and networks.

More Information: <https://www.uottawa.ca/vice-president-academic/faculty-affairs/faculty-recruitment/openings>

Postdoctoral Fellowships in Sexual Health Care and Research

The Program in Human Sexuality at the **University of Minnesota Medical School** is seeking four applicants to join a vibrant team of faculty and post-doctoral fellows for a two-year fellowship program. There are three specific fellowships offered: Metz Fellowship in Couples Sexual Health; Braun-Harvey Fellowship in Compulsive Sexual Behavior; Ettner Fellowship in Transgender Health.

The training will help the fellow develop skills in addressing sexual issues in any clinical setting and conducting psychosexual evaluations. In addition to sex therapy, treatment addresses a wide variety of Axis I and Axis II disorders. Fellows complete a research project that is tailored to their own interests. Deadline for applications: January 15, 2016.

More Information: <http://www.sexualhealth.umn.edu/education/fellowships>

Some of our Recent FSSS Award Winners!

Tinashe Dune, PhD, of Univ of Western Sydney (AU) has been awarded a Grant in Aid for the project: "Culture clash: An investigation of the constructions, understandings and experiences of sexual and reproductive health from the perspective of 1.5 generation migrants in Australia." Congratulations Tinashe!



Jennifer Brosnan, Univ of Leicester (UK) has been awarded a Grant in Aid for the project "The contribution of Elizabeth Blackwell to the sex education movement, 1849-1910." Congratulations Jennifer!



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Dr. Georita M. Frierson: Psychosocial oncology; physical activity; community engagement.

Dr. D.J. Angelone: Sexual aggression; sexual risk taking; alcohol use and treatment.

Dr. Tom Dinzeo: Schizophrenia-spectrum disorders and individual differences in personality, emotion response, cognition, and health/lifestyle behaviors.

Dr. Jim A. Haugh: Etiology and treatment of depression, anxiety, and eating disorders; prediction of co-morbid psychological disorders.

Dr. Meredith C. Joppa: Dating violence and HIV prevention; adolescent/young adult romantic relationships and attachments.

Dr. MaryLouise E. Kerwin: Treatment outcome studies of behavioral interventions for autism, substance use, pediatric feeding, and parenting.

.... And more!

The Department of Psychology welcomes applications for the full-time, scientist-practitioner, clinical psychology doctoral program for 2016.

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<http://www.rowan.edu/clinicalpsych>

Applications due January 15th

Get your news in the next edition of the Sex Science Newsletter!

If you have any content that you'd like included in upcoming newsletters (announcements, accomplishments, job openings, research-related posts, etc.) feel free to send them in to me by **January 15th, 2016** for inclusion in our next newsletter: newsletter@sexscience.org

Post-Conference Memories:

It was so wonderful to see so many of you at our annual meeting in Albuquerque, NM! I hope that you all had as much fun as I did learning, networking, and eating!

In the interest of getting our community more involved in SSSS newsletter content - and as a means of sharing information with those who were unable to attend the conference - I'm planning collaborative, community-driven articles for upcoming issues of the Sexual Science Newsletter.

To give you an idea of what I'm looking for, here are several questions I hope will spark some response:

1. Which concurrent session / plenary / workshop proved to be most worth your while, and why?
2. How did face-to-face interaction with those in your field of work enrich you professionally?
3. In terms of presentation strategy, which aspects of the concurrent session(s) / plenary(s) / workshop(s) you attended most effectively enhanced your experience?
4. What is your favourite memory from this year's SSSS Annual Meeting?

(Photos taken at the annual meeting are welcome as well, though I ask that those who appear in photos provide consent.)

I'm looking forward to hearing from you! - Shayna Sparling, Editor, Sexual Science Newsletter
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Coming Up....

The International Association for Relationship Research (IARR) is now accepting abstracts for their July 2016 conference in Toronto, ON.

More Information: <http://iarr.psych.utoronto.ca/papers.html>



The Western Canadian Conference on Sexual Health is now accepting abstracts for their May 2016 conference on Consensual Sexual Expression - in Calgary, AB.

More Information: media.wix.com/ugd/b053e1_cb53da00f09c4b59a25e9a2cff43100a.pdf



Abstracts are being accepted for the Annual Meeting of the Society for Sex Therapy and Research (SSTAR) in Chicago, IL, April 2016. The deadline for submission is March 1, 2016

More Information:

[sstarnet.org/CMS/ckfinder/userfiles/files/Late%20Breaking%20CALL%20for%20Abstracts\(1\).pdf](http://sstarnet.org/CMS/ckfinder/userfiles/files/Late%20Breaking%20CALL%20for%20Abstracts(1).pdf)



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November 2015

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We need your support to continue our mission. Please donate to our **30 for 30 Campaign** - \$30,000 to celebrate 30 years! Thirty supporters at \$1000 each or 300 contributors at \$100 each would help us reach our goal. Give what you can--all contributions welcome!

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