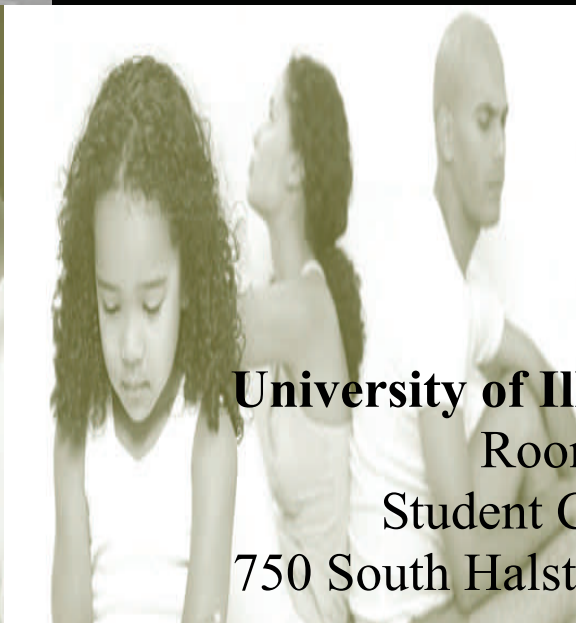


April 25-26, 2008

# Family Issues in Contention



**University of Illinois at Chicago**  
Room 605  
Student Center East  
750 South Halsted • Chicago, IL

## Friday, April 25

**12:00pm REGISTRATION OPENS**

**1:15pm-1:30pm WELCOME**

CCF Co-Chairs, Steve Mintz and Waldo Johnson and  
CCF Executive Officer and Head of UIC Sociology, Barbara Risman

**1:30pm-3:00pm**

***Young People Hooking Up- Should We Be Worried?***

Presider: Waldo Johnson, University of Chicago

Deborah Tolman, San Francisco State University

Laura Sessions, Author

Paula England, Stanford University

**3:15pm-5:00pm**

***Is Transracial and Transnational Adoption the Right Policy for Parents? Children? Society?***

Presider: Andrae L. Brown, Hunter College—CUNY

Ruth McRoy, University of Texas at Austin

Adam Pertman, Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute

Jeanne Howard, Illinois State University

Pamela Quiroz, University of Illinois in Chicago

**5:00pm-6:00pm COCKTAIL HOUR**

**6:00pm MEDIA AWARDS PRESENTATION**

***Award Winning Journalists Reflect on Covering Families in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century***

**7:00pm SUMPTUOUS APPETIZER BUFFET**

***Musical Entertainment with Dancing***

**Conference Meeting Site:** *The conference site is six blocks from the Crowne Plaza Hotel, an easy walk or the CTA, Halsted Ave. bus goes from the hotel to the Student Center.*

**Crowne Plaza Hotel Information:**

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Crowne Plaza Chicago Metro Hotel

733 West Madison (Madison and Halsted), Chicago, IL.

*There is a special conference rate of \$169 by mentioning the Council on Contemporary Families. Please call 312-829-5000 to make your reservations. Make your reservations early, as this hotel fills quickly and the rate goes up in late March.*

## Saturday, April 26

**9:00am – 10:30am**

***Cohabitation: Is it Good for Love and Marriage?***

Presider: Larry McCallum, Augustana College

*Speakers*

Pamela J. Smock, University of Michigan—Ann Arbor

Catherine Kenney, Bowling Green State University

Jaslean J. La Taillade, University of Maryland—College Park

Scott M. Stanley, University of Denver

**10:45am-12:15pm MEDIA WORKSHOPS**

***How to Get Press Coverage of Your Work***

Virginia Rutter, Framingham State College

Joshua Coleman, Psychologist

Adam Pertman, Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute

***Translating Academic Research into Popular Books and Magazine Articles***

Pepper Schwartz, University of Washington

***Writing Op Eds***

Stephanie Coontz, Evergreen State College

***What You Should Know About Blogging and Why***

Deborah Siegel, Woodhull Institute

**12:15pm-1:30pm LUNCH**

**1:30pm-3:00pm**

***Should They Stay or Should They Go? What Are the Latest Thoughts on Divorce Versus Sticking It Out?***

Presider: Anne Bernstein, University of California—Berkeley

Nancy Polikoff, American University Washington College of Law

Linda Young, Seattle University

Alan Jui-Chung Li, Rand Corporation

Pepper Schwartz, University of Washington

**3:00 pm-4:00pm CCF BUSINESS MEETING**

**Wine and Cheese Reception**

***For more information, check our website***  
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