653 Notes on Contributors

657 Alcohol, Communities and Researchers: Theorizing the Relationships in an Unstable Mixture

Drawing on his experience as a researcher with community alcohol initiatives in northern Australian towns, the author argues that various kinds of capital—economic, social, political and symbolic—are mobilized in the social field of a community initiative. In this context, research inevitably becomes imbued with symbolic and political capital.

PETER D'ABBBS

687 Living It or Learning It: Attitudes and Beliefs About Experience and Expertise in Treatment for the Dually Diagnosed

In an era of coordination of services, the attitudes to each other of mental health and substance abuse treatment providers in Los Angeles County were explored in focus groups. There was mutual resistance to the mental health side's emphasis on professional expertise and the substance abuse side's emphasis on experience-based practice.

ALISON HAMILTON BROWN, CHRISTINE E. GRELLA AND LESLIE COOPER

711 Ironies in the Pursuit of Well-Being: The Perspectives of Low-Income, Substance-Using Women on Service Institutions

Using qualitative interviews with 28 female drug users from a study of the perspectives on HIV testing and risk, the women's experiences of dealing with health and social service agencies are analyzed. The paper explores the women's strategies of resistance in the face of much stereotyping and dismissive behavior.

NINA MULIA
749 Alcoholics Anonymous Discourse and Members’ Resistance in a Virtual Community: Exploring Tensions Between Theory and Practice

Examining dialogue and discourse on a public Usenet newsgroup, it is found that the tenets of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) are often negotiated and reassessed, often constituting a resistance to mainline AA discourse.

HEATHER A. KITCHIN

779 Alienation and Alcohol Use Disorder: A Thematic Analysis of Life Histories from the Lundby Study

A 40-year follow-up of 41 men from a Swedish community cohort with a history of alcohol problems finds that heavy alcohol use was often a response to frustration at work, and remitted with a change in work or following retirement.

LEIF ÖJESJÖ

805 No Protective Effect of Alcohol Consumption on Coronary Heart Disease (CHD) in African Americans: Average Volume of Drinking Over the Life Course and CHD Morbidity and Mortality in a U.S. National Cohort

In a follow-up study over about 15 years, there was no sign of a protective effect against coronary heart disease morbidity from moderate alcohol consumption for African Americans, whereas a J curve had been found for white Americans. Since African Americans drank more per drinking day, patterns of drinking may be an explanation for the difference.

CHRISTOPHER SEMPOS, JÜRGEN REHM, CARLOS CRESPO AND MAURIZIO TREVISAN

821 Updating Howard Becker’s Theory of Using Marijuana for Pleasure

Using in-depth interviews with 31 marijuana smokers in Hawaii, the author finds that Becker’s account of the process of becoming a marijuana user needs some updating in light of the much wider use of and general knowledge about marijuana today.

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