

SRDG NEWSLETTER

The Southern Regional Demographic Group, Inc. is a scientific and educational corporation operating under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is comprised of persons with professional interests in demography and population studies. The Newsletter is compiled and edited by Stanley K. Smith, Bureau of Economic and Business Research, University of Florida.

FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS FOR 1982 SRDG MEETING

The thirteenth annual meeting of the SRDG will be held in Greensboro, North Carolina, on October 6-8, 1982. The theme for the meeting is "Public Policy in the Eighties: Uses and Analyses of Demographic Data". The meeting will include a presidential luncheon focusing on the policy implications of demographic change in the South, poster sessions on applied demography (see following article), round table luncheon/discussions on various topics and the usual full slate of panels and contributed paper sessions.

Members of the SRDG and other interested persons are invited to submit papers dealing with any topic of demographic interest. Papers with an applied as well as academic viewpoint are welcome. Persons wishing to submit a paper for consideration should send two copies of a one-page abstract with the author's name, address and telephone number to:

Dr. Jeanne Biggar
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Charlottesville, VA 22903

Members are reminded of the SRDG policy of limiting each participant to one formal presentation at the annual meeting. The deadline for receipt of abstracts is May 31, 1982.

SRDG BOARD MEETS IN SAN DIEGO

The SRDG board of directors convened a lunch meeting in San Diego on April 29. Items on the agenda included the archivist report, membership report, financial report, discussion of future meeting sites and a report from the committee on applied demography. Formal action was taken on two matters:

- 1) Tentative acceptance of future sites for annual SRDG meetings: 1984 in New Orleans with Alice Abel Kemp as local arrangements chairperson and 1985 in Annapolis with V. Jeffery Evans as local arrangements chairperson.
- 2) Approval of the appointment of the following people to the SRDG Committee on Applied Demography: Jeanne Biggar (University of Virginia), Gladys Bowles (Bowles Demographic Research), George Dailey (City of Oklahoma City), Harold Goldsmith (National Institute of Mental Health), Dave Jackson (National Institute of Mental Health), Bill Rives (University of Delaware), Bill Serow (Florida State University) and Michael Spar (University of Virginia).

POSTER SESSIONS AT 1982 SRDG MEETING

In addition to the regular sessions of contributed papers, the 1982 SRDG meeting will include a number of poster sessions. These sessions will consist of information displayed in poster-size format. Each session will be assigned a two-hour time slot when the presenter is available to discuss the presentation. Poster sessions are particularly effective for presentations on such demographic topics as techniques, methods, mapping and other types of graphics. Persons interested in making this type of presentation should submit an outline listing the elements in their display along with a paragraph describing the substantive content. The deadline for submission is May 31. For further information on poster sessions call Jeanne Biggar (804-924-7293) or Julie Martin (804-924-7451).

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University of Michigan. Faculty position in Population Planning, School of Public Health, University of Michigan, beginning as early as September, 1982. The person selected for this position will hold a joint appointment in Population Planning and another academic unit. The Program in Population Planning has an interdisciplinary faculty oriented towards population issues, both domestic and international, with a special focus on policy and family planning programs. Requirements: doctoral degree in one of the social, health or management sciences, demonstrated research competence and a substantive interest in one or more of the following: communication or counselling in family planning programs, social psychology of fertility, family sociology, demographic behavior or program evaluation. Rank and salary depend on qualifications. Send application and selected sample of writings as soon as possible to Professor Gayle Ness, Program in Population Planning, School of Public Health, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109. Apply as soon as possible.

University of Southern California. The Population Research Laboratory and the Andrus Gerontology Center at the University of Southern California offer post doctoral traineeships in the demography of aging, beginning in June or September 1982. Traineeships are for one or two years. Applications will be considered from persons with a doctorate including training in demography. Trainees will attend a weekly Demography of Aging seminar and will participate in demographic research concerning the older population of the United States. Those without prior work in gerontology will be expected to enroll in courses in gerontology. Traineeships are available under a training grant from the National Institute of Aging and are limited to U.S. citizens or persons holding permanent resident status. Inquiries should be made to either: Dr. Maurice D. Van Arsdol, Jr., Director, Population Research Laboratory, University of Southern California, University Park, Los Angeles, CA 90007, telephone (213) 743-2950; or Dr. Neal E. Cutler, Senior Research Associate, Andrus Gerontology Center, University of Southern California, University Park, Los Angeles, CA 90007, telephone (213) 743-6794.

Central Intelligence Agency. Seeking two full-time positions. Experience in the analysis of demographic data and trends in foreign countries is required. Must be U.S. citizen. Starting salary for Ph.D. is \$23,566 to \$33,586. Send curriculum vita and writing samples to: Department A, 821-BK, P. O. Box 1925, Washington, DC 20013.

AT&T Long Lines. Seeking market research analysts to be responsible for design, implementation, analysis and interpretation of market research projects. Duties include problem definition, questionnaire design, data analysis and presentation of results to upper management. Qualifications: Masters or Ph.D. in Market Research, Statistics, Operations Research or related Quantitative discipline. Research experience in marketing concepts, multivariate statistical analysis, experimental design and project management desired. Strong oral and written skills required. Competitive salaries and benefits. Positions are located in northern New Jersey. Send detailed resume to Management Recruiter, AT&T Long Lines, Room 5A267, Dept. SRDG-1, Bedminster, NJ 07921.

SRDG MEMBERS NOMINATED FOR POSITIONS IN PAA

A number of SRDG members have been nominated for positions in the Population Association of America:

Board of Directors - Leon Bouvier, Population Reference Bureau; Leo Estrada, U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Nominating Committee - V. Jeffery Evans, NICHD/NIH; Dudley Poston, University of Texas.

Committee on Publications - Thomas Espenshade, Urban Institute.

Our congratulations go to these members. The election will be held during the summer.

RURAL STUDIES SERIES

The Rural Sociological Society and the Westview Press of Boulder, Colorado are co-sponsoring a new series of books to promote the scholarly analysis of rural social scientific issues. The series encourages manuscripts on a broad range of rural issues, theoretical or empirical, domestic or foreign. The books will be clothbound and aggressively marketed. Authors may submit either a draft manuscript or a prospectus for the proposed book. Prospectuses must include a chapter outline, a statement of the substantive and scientific importance of the book, a description of the expected audience and a sample of the author's writing (a draft of one or more chapters). Submit manuscripts or write for more information to: David L. Brown, CSRS-USDA, Room 6409 South Building, Washington, DC 20250.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Women in International Development. This new working paper publication series invites the submission of manuscripts on development issues affecting women in relation to social, political and economic change. The series features papers at a relatively late stage of formulation, encouraging comments to facilitate communication concerning the situation and needs of women in developing countries. Submit manuscripts or write for a descriptive editorial brochure to: Rita Gallin, Editor, WID Publication Series, 202 International Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.

Southwestern Social Science Association. Alice Abel Kemp of the University of New Orleans will be organizing one or two sessions dealing with the Labor Force at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association in Houston in March, 1983. Preference will be given to papers involving economic or demographic analysis. The sessions will be cross-listed in economics and sociology. For further information contact: Alice Abel Kemp, Department of Sociology, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA 70148, telephone (504) 286-6477.

SUMMER WORKSHOPS

Census Analysis Workshop. The Applied Population Laboratory at the University of Wisconsin will sponsor a workshop on "Producing Applied Demographic Publications" in Madison, Wisconsin on July 8 and 9, 1982. This workshop is designed to help people prepare and present technical data in an effective and understandable way. Participants will learn about recent demographic trends and ways to communicate them to non-technical audiences; techniques for analyzing and interpreting data for presentation or publication; data available from the 1980 census and other sources; the art of graphic presentation; and several other topics. Two special sessions will focus on "Patterns of Growth: Migration and Population Redistribution" and "Families and Households: Changes in the Way We Live". Resource persons include Glenn Fuguitt, Paul Voss and Stephen Tordella of the Applied Population Laboratory; Greer Litton Fox of Wayne State University; and Annabel Kirschner Cook of Washington State University. The fee for this workshop is \$120. For more information contact: Census Analysis Workshop, Applied Population Laboratory, Department of Rural Sociology, 1450 Linden Drive, Madison, WI 53706, telephone (608) 262-3097.

Longitudinal Data Analysis Workshop. The National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago will sponsor a workshop on longitudinal data analysis in Chicago from July 12-16, 1982. This workshop is designed to give 50 researchers a chance to learn recently developed methods for analyzing longitudinal data. Topics covered include: Markov chains; heterogeneity and state dependence in panel data; stability of individual differences; dynamic selection bias; labor market and earnings dynamics applications; general hazard functions; nonparametric heterogeneity models; time aggregation; and applications to social networks, labor markets and demography. Lectures will be given by Burton Singer of Columbia University, James Heckman of the University of Chicago and Christopher Flinn of the University of Wisconsin. Participants are expected to have a solid background in multivariate analysis and probability theory. The fee for the workshop is \$100 and the deadline for application is June 1. For more information contact: William M. Tilford, Economics Research Center, National Opinion Research Center, 6030 South Ellis Avenue, Chicago, IL 60637, telephone (312) 753-1120.

PERSONAL NOTES

Roberta Barnes, currently with the Urban Institute, has accepted a position as Assistant Professor of Consumer Economics at the University of Maryland.

Hal Maggied, formerly visiting Professor of Community Development and Regional Planning at Georgia State University, has accepted a position as Director of Management and Administrative Studies of the Career Development Center, Nova College, in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Bill Rives, Associate Professor of Statistics and Public Policy at the University of Delaware, will spend a three year leave of absence as Senior Demographer with Rice Center, the community research and development center of Rice University.

Arland Thornton, Research Associate with the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan, has accepted a position as Associate Professor of Sociology and Research Associate with the Program in Marriage and Family at Florida State University.

COMMENTARY

I'd like to use my stint as guest columnist for the Newsletter to ask two favors of all SRDG members. First, toward the end of the summer, I will be conducting the second SRDG membership survey; the information provided on the questionnaire will be used to prepare an updated membership directory. I would like to be able to distribute the directory during the 1982 meeting [October 6-8 in Greensboro, NC]. The survey form will be included in the annual special mailing, which also includes dues renewal notices, meeting preregistration forms, and ballots for the Board election. In order to meet the deadline, I will need everyone's cooperation. The directory can be no more complete or useful than the membership makes it. Please help and return your questionnaire as soon as you can. Because of the short amount of time between the date of the mailing and the printer's deadline, it will not be possible to send any follow-up request.

The second favor concerns what I feel is a rather high rate of non-renewal of membership to SRDG - about a fourth of all persons on the membership roster at the end of last summer did not respond to the two dues solicitations.

While I recognize that no organization can be all things to all persons, I remain concerned that such a high non-renewal rate persists despite extraordinarily low dues and registration fees and an annual meeting which seems to be enjoyable and rewarding to nearly everyone who attends. If anyone has specific suggestions of ways which SRDG can better serve its membership, I would be most happy to receive them.

William J. Serow, Florida State University, Secretary-Treasurer, SRDG.

* The deadline for sending in items for the *
* August issue of the SRDG Newsletter is *
* July 25, 1982. Please send all items to: *
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