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1989 SDA MEETING: FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS

The next annual meeting of the SDA will be held in Durham, North Carolina, on October 18-20, 1989. It promises to be an exciting and informative meeting, with many interesting paper sessions, panel discussions, poster sessions and guest speakers. A number of sessions are already being organized:

- Population estimates and projections, organized by Julie Martin.
- The history of the SDA, organized by Everett Lee
- Teaching demography, organized by Dudley Poston.
- Economic demography, organized by Allen Kelley.
- Infant mortality in the deep south, organized by Anne Lee.
- Multi-ethnic population healthcare issues, organized by Chuck Holzer.
- 1990 Census products, organized by Phil Fulton.
- Job opportunities in demography, organized by Elizabeth Stephens.
- Using IRS data in demographic analysis, organized by Bashir Ahmed.
- How private companies make small-area estimates and projections, organized by Bud Wurdock.
- Demography and epidemiology, organized by Clyde McCoy.
- Publication outlets in Applied Demography, organized by Bill Serow.
- Fertility and family issues, organized by Ronald Rindfuss.

More sessions will be organized to accommodate contributed papers. If you would like to present a paper, please send a copy (or a one-page abstract) to Stan Smith, Program Chair, Bureau of Economic and Business Research, 221 Matherly Hall, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, 32611. The deadline for receipt of

papers or abstracts is **June 15**. For further information on the annual meeting, please contact Stan Smith at (904) 392-0171.

1989 MEETING SITE

The annual meeting will be held at the newly-opened Washington Duke Inn and Golf Club, which is located right off the main Duke University West Campus. It is a lovely hotel and meeting facility and, as the name implies, also contains the Golf Club for the Robert Trent Jones-designed Duke University golf course. For those of that athletic bent, a round or two might even compete with attendance at meeting sessions. An attractive room rate of \$70.00 nightly has been obtained. We will enjoy at the Inn the usual bar arrangements, a rousing "pig-picking" on Thursday evening, and a lunch on Friday noon. The Inn has an excellent restaurant and there are several splendid eating establishments within a short drive., Raleigh-Durham International Airport, an American Airlines hub, is only 20 minutes away and for those coming by car, ample free-parking is available at the Inn. This should be one of the finest meeting sites that we have enjoyed for the annual meetings and the allurements of the Duke campus and other attractions of the Research Triangle should make for a fine occasion. Accommodation forms will be sent in August, but make plans now to come to the 20th annual meeting.

REDISTRICTING

As the 1990 census approaches, the battles over politically redistricting can't be far behind. There are three publications that demographers can obtain that will help them keep abreast of developments in this area.

Redistricting Lines produced by the State and Local

Department of the Republican National Committee, offers up-to-date information on a variety of issues regarding redistricting. To get on the mailing list for this publication contact Mr. David Porter, State and Local Department, Republican National Committee, 310 First Street S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003; or call him at (202) 863-8565.

Also the 1990 Census Redistricting Data Office at the U.S. Bureau of the Census, produces periodic information memos to keep users up-to-date. To get on the mailing list for this publication contact Marshall Turner, 1990 Census Redistricting Office, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233; or call (301) 763-3856.

The Southern Regional Council is mounting an initiative to help disadvantaged groups in the South in the redistricting process. They have started producing a series of Congressional Briefing Papers which outline some of the issues that will emerge as the redistricting process heats up. Interested parties can get on the mailing list for this publication by contacting Ginny Montes, Project 1990 Director, Southern Regional Council, 60 Walton Street, Atlanta, GA, 30303; or call (404) 522-8764.

CHANGES IN CONGRESS

With the 1990 Census on the way, some important changes are occurring in Congress. The Senate has created a Subcommittee on Government Information and Regulation which will have oversight responsibility for statistical policy and the Decennial Census of Population and Housing. On the House side, there is a new chair for the Subcommittee on Census and Population; Tom Sawyer (D-OH). Congressman Sawyer was formerly the mayor of Akron. As the census moves into its peak activity period, these two subcommittees will be undoubtedly be holding hearings on a multitude of issues.

THE CENSUS BUREAU IN COURT

The suit which would require the Census Bureau to identify the number of illegal aliens included in the 1990 Census and exclude them from the numbers used for reapportionment of Congress was dismissed by a Federal Court in Pittsburgh on May 8. Forty-two members of congress, several states and the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR) brought the suit alleging that inclusion of illegal immigrants in the numbers used for apportioning the seats in the U.S. House of Representatives was likely to deprive them of a seat in

Congress. Judge William Standish ruled that the plaintiffs lacked standing because no one can determine with certainty that any specific plaintiff would be injured.

A different suit which would require the Census Bureau to make a statistical adjustment for any known undercounts cleared one hurdle earlier this month and is likely to be heard in July.

Meanwhile the General Accounting Office (GAO), a non-partisan arm of Congress, reported that the 1990 Census is likely to cost \$3 billion rather than the \$2.6 billion projected by the Census Bureau. The GAO contends that the Census Bureau will have to spend more than originally estimated to hire the 300,000 to 400,000 workers needed to conduct the 1990 Census. The 1980 Census cost about \$1.1 billion.

THE FORREST E. LINDER AWARD

The International Institute for Vital Registration and Statistics of has announced the establishment of the Forrest E. Linden Award. The award will be given annually to employees in the civil registration and vital statistics services in the developing countries; (1) in recognition of accomplishments in improving civil registration and vital statistics; (2) for a paper setting forth innovative ideas for improving civil registration and vital statistics in a country or area; or (3) for a research paper on civil registration or vital statistics applicable to developing countries. Inquiries should be address to: Forrest E. Linder Memorial Award, International Institute for Vital Registration and Statistics, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814 (or call (301) 530-7131).

1989 STATISTICAL ABSTRACT

Do you know the number of softball players in the U.S.?

How about the lowest temperature ever recorded in your city?

Need to know the change in birth rates for your state?

All of this and more is in the 1989 Statistical Abstract of the United States available now from the Government Printing Office. It can be purchased for \$26 in paperback (S/N 003-024-06905-9) or \$32 in clothbound copy (S/N 003-024-06906-7). Holders of a Mastercard, VISA, or GPO deposit account number may phone in orders to (202)783-3238; to order or make inquiries by fax, call (202)275-0019.

FAME AND FORTUNE

Fairfax County Virginia, just outside Washington D.C., is looking for a Demographer (Planner III) with a starting salary range of \$36,284 to \$40,002. The person hired will supervise a staff responsible for population and housing unit estimates and forecasts, age forecasting, biennial household survey and publication of documents describing County demographics. Preference will be given to candidates with knowledge of programming in SAS and Easytrieve and experience working with large complex computerized data bases. Four years experience required, graduate degree may be substituted for one year of experience. Send for Fairfax County application and refer to job announcement #89-0785: Office of Personnel, 4103 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030.

The Marriott Corporation is seeking Market Research Managers and Analysts for jobs at its Bethesda Maryland Headquarters. Person(s) hired must have strong research and statistical skills, excellent written and presentation skills, and an understanding of consumer behavior/psychology. Must also have advanced degree in social science discipline and at least three years progressive market research experience. For consideration send resume with salary history to Marriott Corporation, Dept. 935, Marriott Drive, Washington, D.C. 20058.

EDITOR'S NOTE

All news and announcements of interest to SDA members will be published without charge, subject to space constraints. A special request is made for news about association members (new publications, grants, other awards, job changes, etc.). Deadlines and publication dates for each issue are as follows:

Issue	Deadline	Publication Date
Spring	April 30	May
Summer	July 31	August
Fall	Oct. 31	November
Winter	Jan. 30	February

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