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1999 Annual Meeting

The Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the Southern Demographic Association was held October 28-30, at the Menger Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. Over 160 people registered for the meeting, near record attendance.

The program organized by Judy Waldrop included many informative paper sessions and panels as well as two luncheon sessions. On Friday, the luncheon speaker John Herbold of the University of Texas School of Public Health presented a biologist's view of "The Human Population and Diseases in Nature—HIV, Influenza, and Other Friends." Saturday's luncheon featured an address by Thomas Espenshade of Princeton University on "High-Skilled U.S. Immigration."

Conference participants also enjoyed a Mexican dinner at Rio Rio Cantina complete with a mariachi band providing entertainment.

Following dinner, many strolled along the famous San Antonio Riverwalk.

On Saturday night, conference participants still in San Antonio had the opportunity to see the parade of coffins on the river, part of the city's Halloween celebration. Ben Bradshaw is to be commended for his fine job of local arrangements.



New President Judy Waldrop and Past-President Lou Pol share a laugh at the Business Meeting.

Paper Awards Presented At Annual Meeting

Student Paper Awards: Bettina Friese of the University of South Carolina won the award for the best graduate student paper. Her paper was entitled "Determinants of Involvement in Fathering in Germany." The undergraduate paper award was presented to Jamie Watson for her paper on "Gender, Class, and Race Differences in 'Driving While Intoxicated' Outcomes."

E. Walter Terrie Award for State and Local Demography: Bill Serow presented the E. Walter Terrie award to Jeff Tayman, San Diego Association of Governments, David A. Swanson, Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration, and Charles F. Barr, University of Nevada Las Vegas for their paper "We Are What We Measure: Toward a New Approach for Assessing Population Forecast Accuracy." This award was created to honor the work of Walt Terrie.

New Officers

The results of the election for new officers were announced at the recent meeting. C. Jack Tucker of Winthrop University is the new President-elect. Peter Morrison of Rand Corporation and Rose Li of the National Institute on Aging were elected to the Board of Directors. Carl Schmertmann of Florida State University is the new Vice President.

Future Meetings

The **2000** Annual Meeting is scheduled to be held at the Hotel Monteleone in New Orleans, Louisiana, October 27-30. Charleston, South Carolina has been suggested as the site for the **2001** meeting; however, the final decision depends upon finding someone to handle local arrangements. Members who have preferences for sites for future meetings or who are willing to serve as chair of local arrangements are encouraged to give their suggestions to Carl Schmertmann who is in charge of site selection.

Population Research and Policy Review

The official journal of the SDA, *Population Research and Policy Review*, is planning a special issue on High-Skilled Immigration scheduled to appear toward the end of the year 2000. The volume's guest editors, Thomas J. Espenshade and Eui-Hang Shin, expect that most of the submissions will focus on the United States, but they encourage papers that exemplify similar issues in Canada and elsewhere. Topics may include, for example, data needs, causes and consequences of high-skilled immigration for sending and receiving countries, the role of high-skilled immigrants in the labor market, means of entry into receiving countries, and such policy issues as whether the United States faces a shortage of skilled workers. The deadline for receiving manuscripts is January 31, 2000.

Questions, suggestions, and papers to be considered for inclusion should be sent to Elwood Carlson, Editor, *Population Research and Policy Review*, Department of Sociology, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208. Contact with the Editor, including electronic submission of papers, would preferably be made by email to prpr@gwm.sc.edu. Papers may be submitted as DOC or WPD email attachments.

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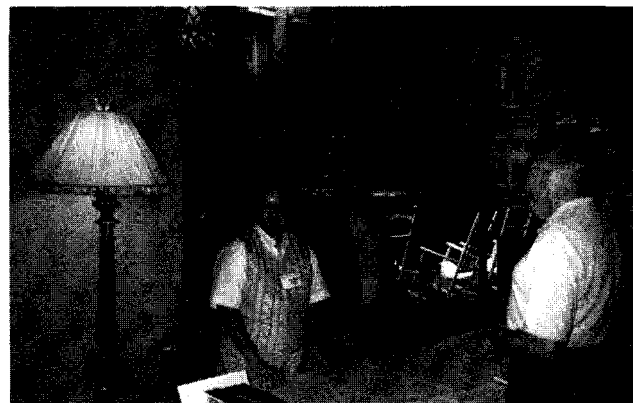
Membership in the Southern Demographic Association is open to all who are interested in Demography. The membership year extends from November 1 to October 31. There are four membership categories: Student (no journal) \$15 annual dues; Student (with journal) \$45 annual dues; Regular or Institutional (with journal) \$60; and Family (spouses of regular members, no journal) \$15.

To join the Southern Demographic Association, please send a check or money order payable to the Southern Demographic Association for the appropriate amount to

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Photos from the Annual Meeting



Out-going Secretary-Treasurer Mike Irwin and in-coming Secretary-Treasurer June Nogle talk with Charles Nam.



President-elect Jack Tucker pauses for a drink.



Local Arrangements Chair Ben Bradshaw takes a well-deserved break.

Demographics Transitions

David A. Swanson has assumed the position of Dean with the Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration, where he has been a regular visiting professor since 1995. In his new position, he will be responsible for the Mikkeli International Campus, which administers the BBA and MBA degrees, and operates the Small Business Development Center of Finland. Although his new position is not effective until May 1, 2000, he will be involved in teaching and administrative duties through the fall and winter and traveling regularly back and forth between Las Vegas, Nevada, and Finland as he continues to work on projects for his current employer, Science Applications International Corporation. In Finland, he can be contacted at HYPERLINK mail to: david.swanson@mli.hkkk.fi; otherwise at Dswa69746@aol.com.

The **National Center for Health Statistics** has new telephone numbers effective November 15, 1999. The new main office number for the National Survey of Family Growth is 301-458-4033. New numbers for the NSFG staff are

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Call For Thomas Award Nominations

Pre or postdoctoral students are invited to submit papers for the 2000 Dorothy S. Thomas Award competition. The Award has been established by the Population Association of America in honor of Dorothy S. Thomas and is presented annually for the best graduate student paper on the interrelationships among social, economic, and demographic variables. The Award consists of a cash prize and a certificate, presented at the Annual Meeting of the PAA in March 2000.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE AWARD

Eligibility:

The research must be undertaken while the author is a predoctoral student in an accredited graduate program. The paper must have both theoretical and empirical aspects. Two or more students may share the award for a collaborative study, but a paper jointly authored by a student and a member of the graduate faculty is not eligible. An individual is eligible for one year following completion of study. Published papers are acceptable. Recipients of the Ph.D. before December 1, 1998, and previous winners of the Award are not eligible.

Length:

The paper should not exceed 35 pages, including double-spaced text, tables, figures, footnotes, references, and appendices. Papers that exceed this page limit may not be considered.

Submission Procedures:

The student should submit seven copies of the paper, along with a letter from her or his research advisor confirming eligibility, to

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The deadline for submission is **January 5, 2000**.

The Committee reserves the right to withhold the Award if it decides that no suitable paper was submitted.

Directory of Members

Secretary-Treasurer Mike Irwin distributed copies of a new member directory at the annual meeting. This listing is to be posted on the SDA website. If you want to suppress your name or address on the web listing, please contact either Mike Irwin or Carl Schmertmann, the webmaster.

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