We invite submissions of paper proposals and proposed sessions for the 2003 annual meeting of the Southern Demographic Association. This year's meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Crystal City in Arlington, Virginia, on October 23-25.

Presentations of research in both applied and academic demography are welcome, as are related topics in economics, sociology, geography, political science, health, government, and psychology. Though SDA is known for regional emphases and membership, we encourage the membership and participation of individuals from any region or country, and international or area-specific study of demographic topics. The structure of meeting presentations is flexible: potential contributors are encouraged to organize standard sessions, thematic sessions, panel discussions and roundtables, and software demonstrations.

SDA meetings are particularly good venues for student participation. We encourage presentations by students, and we make monetary awards for the best student undergraduate and graduate papers.

Please send all proposals and abstracts by June 30, 2003 to: Karen A. Woodrow-Lafield, Institute for Latino Studies, University of Notre Dame, 250 McKenna Hall, P.O. Box 764, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556-0764, Fax: 574-631-3522. Electronic submissions are preferred and may be emailed to: klafield@nd.edu or KarenWLafield@cs.com

Please be sure your submission includes your name, title, institutional affiliation and complete contact information (telephone, fax, email, and mailing address).

2003 Paper Awards

SDA makes the following three Association Awards for papers presented at the annual meeting:

Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award. Honors the best graduate student paper delivered at the Annual Meeting. The winner of this award receives a cash prize and a certificate, both of which are presented at the business meeting. Submissions should not be collaborative works unless all authors are students. Submissions should be made to the Program Chair, Karen Woodrow-Lafield, as listed above.

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Paper Award. Honors the best undergraduate student paper delivered at the Annual Meeting. The winner of this award receives a cash prize and a certificate, both of which are presented at the business meeting. Submissions should not be collaborative works unless all authors are students. Submissions should be made to the Program Chair, Karen Woodrow-Lafield, as listed above.

E. Walter Terrie Award for State and Local Demography. A cash prize and certificate honoring the best paper on an applied topic, especially one relating to state and local demography, presented at the Annual Meeting. Members who would like to have their papers considered for the award are invited to send one copy by September 1st 2003 to Dr. William Serow, Center for the Study of Population, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306-2240. If you have any questions, you may call Dr. Serow at 850-644-1762 or fax him at 850-644-8818.