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Letter from the President

TRANSITION IN THE SOUTH

The proliferation of end-of-the-millennium reports as year 2000 approaches causes me, in this the last newsletter of 1999, to reflect on transitions in the South over a somewhat shorter time frame of the past century. There is little question that the region has undergone a remarkable economic and social transformation over this period. In the late 1800s and early 1900s, the South had a largely agriculture-based, rural economy. Its population had the highest fertility rates in the country and, consequently, was the youngest of all U.S. regions. The poor economy and high population growth combined to make the South the supplier of people and labor to the North and the West—in the early decades of the 1900s, out-migration from the region far exceeded in-migration to the South. Socially and politically, the South was still a racially segregated society and, in the first half of the twentieth century, large numbers of Southern blacks chose to leave the region for the North in what has been termed the “Great Migration.”

One hundred years later, the farm-based economy has been replaced by a high-tech, service-based economy, with over twenty-five percent of Fortune 500 companies headquartered in the South. Fertility rates have fallen to below national levels, and the popularity of the South as a retirement destination is causing a steady rise in the mean age of the population. Instead of losing population to the rest of the country, the South is experiencing a high rate of net immigration of population, especially to the large metropolitan areas. Although there is still work to be done in the area of race relations, the post-Civil Rights South is presently experiencing the highest rates of black in-migration in a hundred years. Further, immigration from Mexico and other parts of Latin America, and Asia is fundamentally altering the ethnic mix of the region.

The transitions that have characterized the South over the past century are also reflected in the changes SEDAAG has undergone since its inception. Our membership has become larger as the region has grown, and more diverse in its gender and ethnic composition. The predominant focus of papers published in the *Southeastern Geographer* have slowly shifted from the problems of rural areas and agricultural geography, to industrial and post-industrial transformations in the South, and the region’s urban geography. “Politically” speaking, our Division is very active and visible within the Association of American Geographers. SEDAAG

meetings are recognized as among the most vibrant of regional meetings. Several of our members hold important positions in the national organization—on the editorial boards of AAG publications, members of the AAG Council, and in numerous other capacities.

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Speaking of transitions, I would also like to publicly note a quiet and largely unnoticed transition that took place this summer. In June, Betsy Pyle completed her 3-year term as our regional councilor, bringing to an end a decade and a half of service as a SEDAAG officer. Beginning as the West Virginia representative to SEDAAG, Betsy moved on to serve on the Executive Committee as Treasurer, President, Past President, and finally Regional Councilor. As Treasurer, Betsy made the growth of the SEDAAG Endowment Fund a high priority, and as a result of her efforts, SEDAAG members now routinely “round up” their membership checks to include a donation to the Endowment. In her capacity as President, Betsy worked hard to publicize the efforts of our Division, to increase our membership as well as attendance at the annual meeting. Finally, as Regional Councilor, Betsy was a tireless spokesperson for our Division and through her encouragement (and cajoling!) many SEDAAG members are now involved in AAG affairs. Betsy, thank you for your long and selfless service to the Division. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

This is my last “Letter from the President” column as my 2-year term comes to a close at the end of November 1999. I thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve in this capacity, and urge you all to vote for the next President (and other SEDAAG officers) on the enclosed ballot. This issue also contains the final call for papers for our next meeting in Tampa, which by all accounts is beautiful in November. Let’s plan on a great turnout to usher in the year 2000!

See y’all in Tampa!

Kavita Pandit, University of Georgia

NEWS AND NOTES

SEDAAG '99 IN TAMPA!



The Department of Geography at the University of South Florida again invites you all to enjoy Tampa this November! Efforts are well underway to provide the type of high-quality conference that SEDAAG members have come to expect. The Wyndham Harbor Island Hotel is situated on an island adjacent to downtown Tampa, with views of the CBD, Hillsborough Bay, and the Port of Tampa. The Wyndham offers all the amenities necessary for the conference, as well as shuttle access to shopping and entertainment districts like Hyde Park, Ybor City, and SoHo (South Howard). For those of you arriving by air, the Wyndham also offers a free airport shuttle. It's a short walk to Bayshore Boulevard for those who wish to run, walk, bike, or rollerblade on one of the world's longest uninterrupted sidewalks.

The conference will run Sunday through Tuesday (November 21-23), as always, but we strongly encourage members to come early and enjoy Tampa's other attractions (for example, the Ybor City historic/entertainment district is at its "best" on a Friday or Saturday night). As the center of the five-county Tampa Bay region, Tampa offers many other recreational and educational opportunities for you and your family, including natural areas, historic districts, museums, theme parks and, of course, beautiful beaches and waterways. November is typically gorgeous in Tampa, assuming no hurricanes, so come early or stay late, but just be sure to come! We'll be sending registration packets with more information at the end of September. By early September, you will also be able to get information by visiting our website at www.cas.usf.edu/geography/sedaag99.html. We appreciate the many enquiries we've already had and we look forward to seeing you all in November...

Tracy Newsome,
Chair, Local Arrangements Committee



GRADUATE RECRUITMENT AT TAMPA

The SEDAAG meeting will provide time and space for departments wishing to recruit undergraduates to their graduate programs. The November date should be timely for recruiting; the World Geography Bowl adds to the attraction of the meetings for undergraduates. We hope that other students will avail themselves of the chance to meet with Southeastern program faculty and graduate students.

Departments wishing to participate should plan on staffing a table with one faculty member and one graduate student throughout the time period. Displays, handouts, and other materials should fit on a small (seats four) table. Undergraduate programs will want to encourage students exploring graduate school options to attend.

For more information contact Tracy Newsome, Chair, Local Arrangements Committee, University South Florida, newsome@luna.cas.usf.edu.

FROM THE TREASURER

As we move toward the beginning of the fall term, I have received renewals of membership from almost all of you – thank you very much for your prompt payment of your dues for 1999! A few of you, however, still

have not renewed. Please check the mailing label on this newsletter; if it carries 98R, 98RET, or 98SP in the upper right hand corner, you are in arrears but will not be dropped from membership. Individuals with 98S on their mailing labels, however, according to SEDAAG by-laws, will be dropped from membership if their dues are not paid by August 30. We do not want to lose anyone, so please renew your membership; and let me know of any errors on my part.

I am pleased to report that the SEDAAG Endowment will be valued at nearly \$26,000 when it is renewed in August. This year, members have committed more than \$900 of donations to it (listed below), and last year it earned well over \$1000 in interest. An equally pleasant task is to note that the John Fraser Hart Endowment has been placed in a certificate of deposit and that an anonymous donation has been made to it.

Donations to SEDAAG Endowment

(Thank you very much!!)

Up to \$15.00

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Up to \$50

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Susan Brooker-Gross

Errata - SEDAAG membership dues printed in the Spring newsletter were incorrect. Please note that the correct dues are \$25 for regulars, \$12.50 for students and retirees, and \$26 for couples. Mia culpa, - Allan James, Editor

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

Welcome to New Tennessee State Representative

Craig Laing has agreed to serve out John Kupfer's term as Tennessee State Representative. Craig is at the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography, Univ. Tennessee- Chattanooga, TN 37403, Email: Craig_Laing@utc.edu

Political Geography Sessions at SEDAAG. Organized political geography sessions are planned for the 1999 SEDAAG meeting in Tampa, Florida, November 21-23. These sessions will be sponsored by the Political Geography Specialty Group, AAG. Papers on political geography topics from the local to international scales are welcome. Papers on some aspect of Florida's political geography are particularly encouraged. Those interested in participating can contact Stan Brunn (Univ. Kentucky, (606) 257-6947, brunn@pop.uky.edu), Fred Shelley (Southwest Texas State Univ., (512) 245-8704, fs03@swt.edu) or Jerry Webster (Univ. Alabama, (205) 348-1532, gwebster@bama.ua.edu). - Jerry Webster

Applied Geography Conference in Charlotte, NC

The 22nd annual Applied Geography Conference will meet in Charlotte, NC October 13-15, 1999. The conference hotel is the Hyatt Charlotte at Southpark. Room rates are \$105/night single or double for conference attendees; make

reservations early. The conference will include over 40 paper sessions on such topics as regional development, planning, public policy, urban/economic geography, medical geography, census geography, GIS / Remote Sensing, environmental analysis, climatology, and retail/business geography. Paper sessions begin Wednesday evening Oct.13 and conclude Friday afternoon Oct.15. For information and registration materials, contact J. Dennis Lord, Univ. North Carolina at Charlotte (704 547 4258, jdlord@email.uncc.edu) or Andy Schoolmaster, Univ. North Texas (940 565 2452, andrew@unt.edu. The conference program is on the web at www.geog.unt.edu (look for AGC or Applied Geography Conference program). - Dennis Lord

Does Your Library Get the Southeastern Geographer?

I recently learned that a beginning assistant professor arrived on campus to find that the college library did not subscribe to the *Southeastern Geographer*. Shaken but resolute, he employed personal persuasion with the library to secure a subscription. Our immediate goal is to reach 300 subscribers, up from the current 262. As part of this effort, I urge SEDAAG members at institutions that do not subscribe to the journal to intervene personally with the library personnel to secure a subscription. The cost is only \$30/year for ~225 pages of scholarship on the South. Send the order form and check to the editor.

- James O. Wheeler, Editor, *Southeastern Geographer*

Fall '98WGB Awards - Details were announced in the Spring '99 newsletter. Left: Jean Labigne receives 1998 MVP for World Geography Bowl (WGB) from Will Graf (center), AAG President, as Ron Abler, AAG Executive Director, looks on. Right: Neal lineback, WGB chair, presents the trophy to the 1998 WGB SE Regional championship team. R to L: Bill Welsh (UNC-CH), Dennis Everette (UNC-W), Rebecca Bertrand (ECU), Michael Russell (ECU), and Dave Wrubel (UNC-C).



NOMINATIONS OPEN

Special Awards

Nominations remain open for three special awards. **Send nominations by Sept. 23**, to Dr. Luoheng Han, Chair, Honors Committee, Geography Dept., Univ. of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487 0322, (205) 348 4981, Fax: (205) 348 2278, E mail: lhhan@bama.ua.edu

Lifetime Achievement Award: Nominees for this award should have: (1) An extensive record of research and

publication in scholarly journals, books, and other appropriate forms; (2) A record of excellence in teaching and advising as evidenced by teaching awards, students advised, and other appropriate measures; (3) A record of service contributions to the individual's educational institution in the form of administrative positions, committee work, and community contact; (4) A record of support to the geography profession whether through formal services to international, national, or regional organizations or informal work in the public domain.

Research Honors Award: Nominees for this award should meet the following criteria: (1) A significant record of quality research and publication in scholarly journals, books, and other appropriate formats. This record may reflect the cumulative work of several years or the publication of important contributions in a shorter period of time; (2) Evidence of research leadership at both an institutional (college, university, industry) and organizational level (professional associations) where scholarly papers are presented and students and colleagues are advised.

Outstanding Service Award: Nominees for this award should have: (1) Evidence of exceptional professional commitment to geography at any level, including service to professional organizations; colleges and universities; primary and secondary education; local, state, or national government; private business and industry; (2) Examples of worthy contributions include but are not limited to appointed or elected professional offices, journal editorships, professional organization committees, speaking or otherwise providing leadership in a variety of public forums, and publication in the popular press.

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Student

Merle C. Prunty Student Scholarship: SEDAAG annually awards the Merle C. Prunty Scholarship to an outstanding undergraduate student from our region with the objective of encouraging talented undergraduate students to pursue professional careers in geography.

Eligibility: Applicants must currently be juniors or seniors and enrolled as geography majors (or geography minors) in a college or university located within the Southeastern Division. Applicants must demonstrate an interest in pursuing a professional career or the clear potential to pursue academic work beyond the baccalaureate degree. Applicants are evaluated by the SEDAAG Honors Committee on the basis of scholastic record and professional promise.

Notification: Award recipients will be named at the Honors Luncheon at the 1999 Division meeting in Tampa, Florida. All applicants will be informed of the outcome by mail.

Application Materials: Materials submitted in the application must include: (1) A cover letter that includes a summary of educational background and academic honors; (2) A statement of professional goals, not to exceed two typewritten pages; (3) One copy of each undergraduate transcript inclusive of college course work through summer, 1999; (4) Letters of recommendation from three persons familiar with the academic work and professional aspirations of the applicant. The letters should include evaluation of the applicant's potential for development as a professional geographer.

Send Applications by Sept. 23, 1999 to: Dr. Luoheng Han, Chair Honors Comm., Dept. Geog., Univ. Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487 0322, (205) 348 4981, Fax: (205) 348 2278, E mail: lhan@bama.ua.edu

ELECTIONS

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD: USE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE!



Election time is here again, and this year we elect a new President and Treasurer, as well as state representatives from Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, South Carolina, and West Virginia. The nominations committee chaired by David Weaver, Alabama, has compiled the following list of nominees who would be willing to serve if elected. Biographical information provided by the candidates is included here to assist in your decision making. Please take time to mark the ballot and return it by September 30, 1999. **Note that only SEDAAG members who are also AAG members may vote and that only state members may vote for that state's representative.** Remember your vote counts!

PRESIDENT

Truman Hartshorn is Professor of Geography at Georgia State University. He joined the Southeast Division in 1968 while serving as Assistant Professor at the University of South Florida. Since moving to Georgia State in Atlanta as Associate Professor in 1969, and promotion to Professor in 1979, he has maintained his active involvement in the Division over the years. He chaired the Department at Georgia State, 1979-1990. Dr. Hartshorn has provided service as guest editor of the Southeastern Geographer, served on its editorial board, and published in the journal, including an

article on "The Changed South, 1948–98", in the 50th anniversary issue in the fall of 1998. He served as Vice President and Program Chair for the Division, 1995–1997 and sat on the Executive and Steering Committees during that time. He has also been state representative for Georgia to the Steering Committee and elected or nominated to several SEDAAG committees over the years. Dr. Hartshorn has served on the honors committee twice, the nominations committee twice, and the careers in geography committee for several years. He has been active in annual meetings of the division, presented many papers, served as discussant or session chair on a regular basis, and has not missed an annual meeting of the Division in the past 31 years.

Tyrel G. Moore: (Ph.D. 1984, University of Tennessee; M.S., University of Tennessee; B.S., Western Kentucky University), is Associate Professor of Geography at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. His service to SEDAAG, of which he has been a member for over 25 years, includes the following: Vice President and Program Chair (1997–1998), Honors Committee Chair (1994), North Carolina State Representative to the Steering Committee (1991–1992), and membership on the following committees: Southern Studies (1995–present), Honors (1993–1994), Membership (1991–1992), Tellers (1990), Audit (1989), Local Arrangements (1987), as well as review activity for the Southeastern Geographer. An AAG member since 1973, he served on the 1996 Local Arrangements Committee and is actively involved in the Contemporary Agriculture and Rural Land Use Specialty Group. His teaching interests are in world regional geography and in urban, regional, and rural planning. He has published articles on regional development and planning in *The Professional Geographer*, *Southeastern Geographer*, and *Progress in Rural Planning and Policy*. He also has directed North Carolina Geographic Alliance/National Geographic Society Summer Geography Institutes and published related research in *The North Carolina Geographer*. His most recent research appears in *Reshaping the Countryside: Perceptions and Processes of Rural Change* and explores the impacts of national economic restructuring in Appalachia.

TREASURER

John Florin (Ph.D., 1971, The Pennsylvania State University; B.A., 1984, University of Kansas) is Associate Professor of Geography at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He has been a member of SEDAAG for almost 30 years, serving the Division as chairs of the Local Arrangements and Honors committees, North Carolina State Representative to the Steering Committee, and member of the Southern Studies and Audit committees. He has been a member of the AAG for over 30 years, serving on the Program and Local Arrangements committees. He has served as department chair, director of study abroad, and assistant dean of Arts and Sciences at UNC-CH. Among his publications he has co-authored the *Atlas of American Geography: The American Cornucopia*, *Regional Landscapes of the United States and Canada*, *Medical Geography*, and *North Carolina: Its Land and Peoples*.

John J. Winberry (Ph.D., 1971, Louisiana State University; B.A., University of New Orleans) is Professor of Geography and Associate Dean of the Graduate School at the University of South Carolina. He has been a member of SEDAAG since 1971 and has served on the Honors, Nominating, and Southern Studies Committees, as editor of the *Southeastern Geographer* (1988–91), and as SEDAAG Treasurer (1998–99). His research and teaching interests focus on cultural-historical geography with a regional orientation toward the South and Latin America. He has co-authored one book and published about 30 articles and chapters.

STATE REPRESENTATIVES

ALABAMA:

Eric J. Fournier (Ph.D., 1995 University of Georgia; M.A. University of Georgia, 1990; B.S. Syracuse University, 1985) is Assistant Professor of Geography at Samford University. He has been a member of SEDAAG since 1994. He currently serves on the Editorial Committee of *Southeastern Geographer* and on the Southern Studies Committee of the division. He has served on local arrangement committees for SEDAAG meetings in Athens and Birmingham and produced field trip guides for both meetings. He is a member of the AAG's Commission on College Geography II and is Media Materials Editor for the National Council for Geographic Education. One of his primary interests is improving geography instruction at the college level. He was a founding participant in the International Network for Learning and Teaching Geography, and has been actively involved with the Alabama Geographic Alliance since moving to Birmingham in 1996. Since 1997 he has been a contributor to Samford University's Problem-based Learning Initiative—a \$1 million project designed to infuse more active learning into the undergraduate curriculum. He has presented and published papers and conducted workshops on geography and problem-based learning. In 1996 he participated in the Hands-On project to develop active learning modules on the human dimensions of global change. Other research interests include urban revitalization, historic preservation, and the changing South.

Luoheng Han: (Ph.D., 1994, University of Nebraska; M.S., 1985, Northeast Normal University, China; B.S., 1982, Northeast Normal University, China), is Associate Professor of Geography at the University of Alabama. He has been a

member of the AAG since 1990 and of SEDAAG since 1994. His service to SEDAAG includes membership in the Program Committee (1996), Local Arrangements Committee (1997), Honors Committee (1998), chair of the Honors Committee (1999), and a Panel Session organizer and chair (1996). His research interests are in remote sensing, GIS, and water quality. He has published numerous articles in *Geocarto International*, *International Journal of Remote Sensing*, *Journal of the American Water Resources Association*, *Photogrammetric Engineering and Remote Sensing*, and *Remote Sensing of Environment*.

FLORIDA:

Sharon Corkill Cobb: (Ph.D., 1998, University of Florida; M.S., 1987, University of Idaho; Bsc. 1983, University of Sheffield), is Assistant Professor of Geography at University of North Florida. She first joined the AAG in 1986 and has regularly presented papers at AAG Annual Meetings. She was invited to present a paper in the "New Voices in Economic Geography" session at a recent AAG Annual Meeting. She joined the Pacific Coast regional division (APCG) in 1987; joined SEDAAG in 1989 and rejoined in 1999. Her areas of research include the geography of finance; Internet and E-Commerce economics; and GIS for business applications. Recent publications include a paper in *Geoforum* and a forthcoming paper in *Environment and Planning A* addressing the rise of offshore financial places. She received a National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant in 1996 and recently secured funding for the establishment of a GIS lab. and program in the College of Business Administration at the University of North Florida.

Jacqueline Gallagher: (Ph.D., 1996, University of California, Los Angeles; M.Sc., 1989, Memorial University of Newfoundland; B.Sc., 1985, University of Wales, College of Swansea), is Assistant Professor of Geography and Geology at Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida. She has been a member of the AAG for 10 years, and moved to her current position in Florida two years ago, so is new to SEDAAG. A physical geographer and geomorphologist by training, Jackie's specialty is Quaternary science and paleoenvironmental reconstruction. She is currently working on a project around Lake Okeechobee and the Everglades, while publishing material from her doctoral dissertation on a coastal wetland in California.

KENTUCKY:

Timothy T. Loftus is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Geography and Planning at Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY. He is a native of Chicago and has also lived in Colorado. Originally an account executive in the corporate world of sales, marketing, and management, he came to EKU in August, 1998 after completing his graduate work at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale (M.S. Forestry 1994, Ph.D. Geography 1999 (Dec.)). Tim is a member of the Association of American Geographers, and Kentucky Native Plant Society. His research interests include landscape ecology, land use change, conservation policy, and agricultural sustainability.

Richard H. Schein: (Ph.D., 1989, Syracuse University; M.S., 1983, Pennsylvania State University; A.B., 1979, Franklin and Marshall College) is Associate Professor of Geography at the University of Kentucky. He has served SEDAAG as the chair of the Teller's Committee. His research is focused upon the American Cultural Landscape, and he has published on the topic in the *Geographical Review*, *The Professional Geographer*, *The Journal of Historical Geography*, *The Annals*, *Association of American Geographers*, *Society and Space*, and other scholarly journals, as well as in book chapters and museum catalogues. He is on the Editorial Boards of *Ecumene* and the *Journal of Historical Geography*, and is Book Review Editor for North America for *Ecumene*. His most recent work is concerned with racialized landscapes.

SOUTH CAROLINA:

Kirstin Dow: (Ph.D., 1996, and M.S., 1992 Graduate School of Geography, Clark University; B.S. University of Wisconsin, Madison in Geography with a certificate in Environmental Studies, 1986) is an Assistant Professor of Geography at the University of South Carolina. Her current research addresses the distribution of hazards, vulnerability, and environmental change in urban areas. She is also collaborating on investigations of the relationships between expert forecasts of environmental conditions and public responses to these forecasts through research on hurricane evacuation (ongoing research begun with funding from the Natural Hazards Center) and uses of seasonal climate forecasts (funded by NOAA, Office of Global Programs). Dow has published articles in *The Professional Geographer*, *Coastal Management*, *Geoforum*, and forthcoming in *Geographical Review*. Other relevant professional service experiences include: Chair, AAG Hazards Specialty Group 1999-present; Board of Directors 1997-1999; manuscript and proposal reviews as well as university and departmental committee work.

Richard A. Matthews (Ph.D., 1995, and M.A., 1992, Arizona State University, B.S., 1988, Univ. Wisconsin-Madison) is an Assistant Professor of Geography at the University of South Carolina. He has been a member of the AAG since 1992 and of SEDAAG since 1996. He has presented papers at SEDAAG, has published articles in the *Annals* and *Economic Geography*, and wrote a book entitled *Fordism, Flexibility, and Regional Productivity Growth* which examined how changes in manufacturing organization and technology have influenced regional economic development. His areas of research include industrial location theory, industrial restructuring, transportation technology, and urban revitalization. His recent research topics include local economic linkages associated with German-based transplant automobile assembly facilities in the South, the causal mechanisms of changes in industrial mix in the Piedmont region, and the spatial distribution of certain high-end retail establishments across cities.

WEST VIRGINIA:

Margaret Gripshover (Ph.D., 1995, University of Tennessee; M.S., 1985 Marshall University; B.S., 1978, Marshall University) is Associate Professor of Geography at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia. She has served SEDAAG in a number of roles ranging from member of planning, program, and teller committees, to member of

committee on Status of Women in Geography in the Southeast, to discussant, panel member, and panel moderator on "women in geography" issues at annual meetings.

J. Todd Nesbitt is Assistant Professor of Geography and Coordinator of Global Studies at Glenville State College. He received his Ph.D. from West Virginia University in December of 1997 with research concentrations in political ecology, Appalachian geography, and regional development. Current research includes issues relating positionality in the field while conducting fieldwork in Appalachia, the political ecology of natural resource ownership, access, and use within West Virginia, and the conceptual integration of reconstructed regional geography and political ecology for purposes of bottom up sustainable development in Central Appalachia. As the lone geographer in the Division of Social Sciences at Glenville State College, Dr. Nesbitt's teaching interests cover a variety of topical areas which range from introductory World Regional, Global Studies, and Physical Geography courses, to upper level courses on Appalachia and the Global Economy, Third World Development, Economic Geography, European Geography, and North American Geography.

Last Call For Papers and Posters: 54th SEDAAG Meeting; Tampa, Florida

The 1999 annual meeting of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers will be held in Tampa, Florida, November 21–23. I invite you to attend the meeting, participate in the program, and submit a paper or a poster. Given the success of the first SEDAAG poster session last year, we will offer a poster format at the Tampa meetings.

The **deadline** for receipt of papers, abstracts, and poster descriptions is Wednesday, **Sept. 22, 1999**. Guidelines for papers, poster descriptions, and abstracts are listed here. Paper and poster authors must be members of SEDAAG.

We especially encourage students to participate in meeting activities and to prepare papers for the Student Honors Competition and the Gamma Theta Upsilon undergraduate paper sessions. Included with this call for papers are the guidelines for this year's honors competitions. The **Honors Committee** is chaired by **Luoheng Han**, Geography Dept., Univ. of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0322, (205) 348-4981, E-mail: lhhan@bama.ua.edu

Those who wish to arrange thematic paper sessions, conduct workshops, or schedule meetings should contact me as soon as possible. Specially organized sessions are particularly welcome: their focus on common interests often makes them the most successful of sessions. To facilitate organization of the program, final details of special events are due to the program chair by Sept. 15, 1999.

Preplanning for the Tampa meeting is well underway. Field trips and thematic sessions are being arranged, and a room for displays will be provided at the hotel. To reserve display space, contact Tracy Newsome, Chair, Local Arrangements Committee, Geography Dept., Univ. of South Florida, Tampa, FL 33620, (813) 974-2386; newsome@luna.cas.usf.edu. Our official policy is to create a smoke free environment at our annual meetings. Please contact me if you have any questions, and don't forget to volunteer to be a discussant or session chair.

On the back of this Newsletter is a form for volunteering to chair a session or discuss a paper. Many more people are needed to discuss papers than to chair sessions.

Ron Mitchelson, Program Chair: Geography Dept.; East Carolina Univ.; 227A Brewster Bldg.; Greenville, NC 27858; (919) 328-6230; Fax: (919) 328-6054; e-mail:

GUIDELINES FOR 1999 PAPERS, ABSTRACTS, & SPECIAL SESSIONS



The **deadline** for receipt of papers and abstracts by the Program Chair is **September 22, 1999**. Papers received after the deadline will be returned to the authors. All papers received by the deadline will be reviewed by the Program Committee. **All annual meeting program participants must be members of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers.** A membership application is

included on the back of this Newsletter.

Participation Form

- (1) Each paper should be accompanied by a separate page (one copy only) containing: (a) title of the paper; (b) author's (or authors') name(s) and titles; (c) affiliation; (d) complete address; and (e) electronic mail address, if available.
- (2) Carousel slide projectors and overhead projectors will be provided. Please indicate if you need audio visual equipment OTHER than these.
- (3) If applicable, please indicate that the paper is being submitted for the Student Honors competition, and whether it is for the masters or doctoral level competition. See "Guidelines for Student Honors Competition" below.

Papers

- (1) **Six (6) copies of the text of each paper must be submitted.** Maps, graphs, and tables must be included with each copy, but they do not have to be in final form. Papers submitted for the Student Honors competition should include ten (10) copies.
- (2) **Papers must not exceed eight (8) double-spaced typed pages, exclusive of maps, graphs, tables, literature cited, and the title page. To comply with the eight-page limit, full double spacing and the use of no type font smaller than size 12 are required.** Papers must be presented in 15 minutes or less. Additional time will be allotted for discussion and questions. If an author plans to discuss illustrations during the presentation, the text of the paper should be shorter than the eight-page maximum. Please time your paper before it is submitted.
- (3) **The title of the paper should appear at the top of page 1.** The author's name must not appear on this page or on pages in the body of the paper. Pages of the text must have at least one inch margins at the top and bottom and on the left and right sides.
- (4) Citations should follow the format used in recent articles in the *Southeastern Geographer*.
- (5) **Maps, graphs, and tables must be labeled and numbered.** References to illustrations should occur at the appropriate place in the text.
- (6) **Final versions of illustrations must be of high quality and designed for presentation to a large audience.** Be certain that graphics projected on a screen can be read at 25 feet.

Abstracts

- (1) An abstract must accompany all papers submitted. The abstract may be no longer than 200 words.
- (2) Abstracts should also be submitted on 3.5 inch diskettes. Microsoft Word, WordPerfect, or ASCII formats for either IBM or Macintosh are acceptable. Indicate your name, title of your paper, software type and version, and whether it is in MAC or DOS environment on your disk.
- (3) **Margins of the abstract** must be one and one fourth (1.25) inches on the right and left sides, and one (1) inch at the top.
- (4) The **title** must be in capital letters and centered one inch from the top of the page.
- (5) The **author's name** must be two spaces below the title, centered, in capital and lower case letters, and underlined.
- (6) The **author's institutional affiliation** must be two spaces below the name, centered in capital and lower case letters, and underlined.
- (7) The **body of the abstract** must begin three spaces below the author's institutional affiliation (the body is to be single spaced and without paragraph indentations). If the abstract contains more than one paragraph, two spaces are to be left between paragraphs.
- (8) Authors are responsible for editing and proofreading the abstracts they submit. They will be printed as submitted.

Special Session Guidelines

Special Sessions are a valuable contribution to SEDAAG meetings, providing a topical or thematic focus for paper presentations. Organizers of special sessions should adhere to the following guidelines:

- (1) All papers submitted are subject to the regular submission and review process.
- (2) Organizers should provide a *special session plan* to the program chair **by Sept. 15** which should include intended participants, paper titles, session chair, and discussant(s).
- (3) Organizers should identify discussants for the papers. It is acceptable to have one discussant for the entire session or to provide commentary on each paper.
- (4) Time and space constraints require Special Sessions to have a minimum of four papers. The Program Chair reserves the right to merge papers into other sessions if three or fewer papers are submitted or survive the review process.

Send papers and abstracts to -

GUIDELINES FOR 1999 POSTERS AND POSTER DESCRIPTIONS



The **deadline** for the receipt of poster descriptions and abstracts is **Sept. 22, 1999**. Poster submissions received after the deadline will be returned to authors. Papers describing posters received by the deadline will be reviewed by the Program Committee.

All annual meeting program participants must be members of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers. See membership application included in this Newsletter.

Participation Form

- (1) Each poster submission should be accompanied by a separate page (one copy only) containing: (a) the word "POSTER" at the top of the page; (b) title of the poster; (c) author(s)' name(s) and titles; (d) affiliation; (e) complete address; and, (f) electronic mail address, if available.
- (2) Poster boards and easels will be provided.
- (3) Please note that posters may not be submitted for the Student Honors competition.

Poster Descriptions

- (1) **For review by the Program Committee, poster submissions must be accompanied by a two-page description, exclusive of maps, graphs, tables, literature cited, and the title page. Full double spacing and the use of no type font smaller than size 12 are required.** The poster description is necessary for the review process and should detail the purpose statement, research design, related literature, and research findings. For the review process, **six (6) copies of the text of the poster description must be submitted.** Maps, graphs, and tables must be included with each copy, but they do not have to be in final form.
- (2) **The title of the poster description should appear at the top of page 1.** The author's name must not appear on this page or on pages in the body of the description. Pages of the text must have at least one inch margins at the top and bottom and on the right and left sides.
- (3) Citations should follow the format used in recent articles in the *Southeastern Geographer*.
- (4) **Maps, graphs, and tables must be labeled and numbered.** References to illustrations should occur at the appropriate place in the text.
- (5) Research conveyed in posters will be displayed in a single session and should not exceed 36" by 44". Poster boards will be supplied by SEDAAG. Materials should be of professional quality and legible from a distance of 3 feet. Text should be confined to brief statements.

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Send poster abstracts to -

Ron Mitchelson, Program Chair, Geography Dept.; East Carolina Univ.; 227A Brewster Bldg.; Greenville, NC 27858; (919)328 6230; Fax: (919)328 6054; e mail:

GUIDELINES FOR GAMMA THETA UPSILON UNDERGRADUATE PAPERS

Undergraduate students are urged to present papers in a special GTU paper session. These papers will not be reviewed by the Program Committee, and no Honors competition will be held. Initial screening should be the responsibility of faculty advisors; but papers may be further screened by the session and program chairs. The guidelines for papers and abstracts are the same as

for the regular and Honors papers, except that only three (3) copies are needed. Please help make this session a success.

Send papers and abstracts **by Sept. 22** to Ron Mitchelson, Program Chair, Geography Dept.; East Carolina Univ.; 227A Brewster Bldg.; Greenville, NC 27858; (919)328 6230; Fax: (919)328 6054; e mail: MitchelsonR@mail.ecu.edu.

GUIDELINES FOR THE STUDENT HONORS COMPETITION



Objectives: The Student Honors competition at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers is designed to (1) encourage graduate student research and publication; (2) stimulate graduate student attendance and active participation at the annual meeting; (3) provide a training ground for the oral presentation of research findings at professional meetings; and, (4) recognize outstanding research by individual students and reflect credit upon the graduate programs of their sponsoring departments.

Eligibility: To be eligible to participate in the Student Honors competition, **the graduate student must have been enrolled in a geography program and in residence at the sponsoring department at the time his or her research was done.** Ph.D. students must still be enrolled as a student at the time his or her paper is presented. Master's students who have graduated since doing their research may present their papers at the first SEDAAG meeting following graduation. Papers should represent original research. Maps, illustrations, and other audiovisual materials should be designed or constructed by the author. No multiple-authored papers will be accepted.

Departmental Responsibilities: Sponsoring departments should verify the eligibility of graduate students submitting papers for the Honors competition and conduct preliminary screening of such papers to ensure that those submitted are quality products. To the extent possible, departments should ensure that the authors of papers accepted in the Honors competition will be able to attend the 1999 meeting in Tampa, Florida, and be present at the awards ceremony.

Awards: Normally one master's level and one Ph.D.-level award are presented each year, but decisions regarding the Honors award are left entirely to the discretion of the Honors Committee. Each Honors award includes \$200 cash, a year's paid membership in the Association of American Geographers (AAG), and a plaque. Presentation of awards will be made at the Honors luncheon. All students who have papers accepted in the competition will have their annual meeting registration fee and Honors luncheon fees waived.

Topics: Papers on any geographic topic may be entered into the Honors competition. Every paper and oral presentation will receive a critical and impartial evaluation.

Evaluation Procedures: Papers submitted for the Honors competition will undergo preliminary screening by the Honors Committee. Those accepted for the competition will be placed on the program in separate Honors sessions. Papers not included in the competition but accepted for the program will be placed in appropriate sessions elsewhere in the program. Each paper submitted to the Honors competition will be evaluated for its quality as a written report on original research undertaken by the author, and for its oral presentation and defense. The written and oral evaluations will be weighted 60 percent and 40 percent, respectively.

Content will be the primary general criterion in the written evaluation, but the author should use good English as well as appropriate illustrations and documentation. The paper should be prepared as if it were to be published, although draft copies of maps and figures for the written review will be accepted.

A primary criterion will be a well defined research objective and a research procedure appropriate to achieving it. The paper should focus upon one or more research questions and present at least a tentative answer. Papers without such a focus will be downgraded in scoring.

The evaluation of the oral presentation will be independent of the evaluation of the written paper, and will focus on the professional quality of the presentation and the adequacy with which questions are answered. The oral presentations must be lively and well illustrated. Appropriate modifications of the written paper should be incorporated into the oral presentation wherever suitable, although major alterations of the written paper are discouraged. The quality, appropriateness, and visual appeal of any maps, figures, and illustrations will be an important part of the evaluation. All visual aids should be intelligible from the back of the room. In order to leave adequate time for questions, each oral presentation should adhere strictly to the time limits for delivery specified by the person chairing the session.

Voting: No Honors Committee member shall vote on a paper by a student from his or her institution, although this restriction shall not discourage or prevent that member's participation in the discussion preceding the formal committee vote.

Submission of Papers: A paper submitted for Honors competition must be accompanied by a letter from the student's advisor or head of the sponsoring department verifying the status and eligibility of the student and indicating whether it is for the M.A. or Ph.D. competition.

Papers submitted for the Honors competition must conform to guidelines for papers and abstracts, with the following additions: (1) **TEN**, rather than six, copies of the paper must be submitted, and (2) **a letter from the student's department must accompany the submission**, verifying the status and eligibility of the student and the level of competition (M.A. or Ph.D.).

Copies of papers with abstracts should be sent **by Sept. 22, 1999** to **Luoheng Han**, Chair, Honors Committee, Geography Dept., Univ. of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487 0322, (205) 348 4981, Fax: (205) 348 2278, E mail:

IN MEMORIAM

Wayne L. Hoffman - Wayne Hoffman passed away May 28, 1999 following a lingering fight with cancer. He was born in Oshkosh, Wisconsin in 1937. He earned his BA from Wisconsin State University, Oshkosh in 1962, his MA from Ohio State University in 1966, and his Ph.D from the University of Florida in 1970. He joined the Department of Geography and Geology at Western Kentucky University in 1970 and served as chair from August 1977 until his death. Wayne helped build the department of Western into one of the strongest units on campus and one that placed special emphasis on quality instruction, public service, regional planning and environmental studies. He was a member of the Association of American Geographers, Southeast Division of the AAG, American Geographical Society, American Planning Association, National Council for Geographic Education, Popular Culture Association, Kentucky Academy of Sciences, and Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

Wayne's career was marked by major accomplishments in public service, publications, and teaching. He enjoyed chairing his department, teaching and working with undergraduate and graduate students, and working with planners and administrators on various boards in western Kentucky and the state. His numerous publications in state, regional, and national geography and planning journals, like his public service, reflected interests in planning, economic development, applied geography, and the plight of the impoverished.

During his lifetime, Wayne received a number of awards. These include the Outstanding Graduate Student Paper award from SEDAAG, when he was studying at the University of Florida. He also received the Western Kentucky University Outstanding Public Service Award for his many contributions to the university and from the Kentucky Chapter of the American Planning Association, the Outstanding Service Award in 1987.

Wayne will be remembered by his many friends, colleagues, and students as a dedicated professional, strong advocate of geography, motivator, a caring human being, and a person who enjoyed life and living. He is survived by his wife and two children. A scholarship fund in his honor has been established by Western Kentucky University.

WRITE ON!



of items is encouraged so that I can estimate our printing needs. If possible, send submissions by email or on floppy disk so they will be in digital form. Microsoft Word, WordPerfect, or simple ASCII (DOS) files are all ok.

SEDAAG WEB SITE - Check it out! Bill Carstensen has established a SEDAAG web site with a number of interesting features and links including state reports, 98 and 99 newsletters, officers and addresses, a membership application, links to other sites, etc.:

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Well I've made it through my first year as editor and am happy to proclaim this as the last issue of the millennium! Although geographers are known to be spatially cognizant that does not mean that *time* does not figure prominently in our domain. The physical geographer in me perceives the landscape as slices of geologic time. We should recognize such milestones are momentous events indeed. I thank all the contributors and especially Kavita Pandit who helped streamline the process. Thanks to Tripp and Pat Bolius for their invaluable help with the mailing of this newsletter.

I look forward to seeing all of you in Tampa for our last SEDAAG meeting of the second millennium.

Sincerely,

Allan James,

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Volunteers for the Tampa SEEDAAG Meeting

I will: () Chair a Session; () Discuss a Paper; () Chair and Discuss at the November 21-23, 1999

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Return this form to Ron Mitchelson, Program Chair, Geography Dept., 227A Brewster Bldg.
East Carolina Univ., Greenville, NC 27858

SEDAAG Membership Application Spring, 1999

Please check one: New Membership _____ Membership Renewal _____

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Please note that these are the new dues. They were mislisted on the Spring 1999 newsletter.)

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