

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

APLS Annual Meeting to be Held in Atlanta

The 1999 annual meeting of the Association for Politics and the Life Sciences will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, September 2-5, at the Four Seasons Hotel. The American Political Science Association (APSA) will be meeting at the same time in Atlanta's Marriott and Hilton hotels. To make for easy interchange between the two conferences, a complimentary, air-conditioned shuttle will run a regular schedule for the five-minute drive between the APLS and APSA hotels.

Four Seasons Hotels are widely recognized as among the finest luxury hotels in the world (they have received more AAA Five Diamond awards than any other hotel company). Nevertheless, APLS members will receive a great overnight rate—just \$110 for a single or double. The hotel's elegant rooms feature a modem phone jack, a multi-line telephone, voice mail service, thick terry bathrobes, and twice-daily housekeeping service. Attendees will also receive a complimentary newspaper, complimentary use of the pool, and complimentary use of the large, state-of-the-art health and fitness spa.

The Four Seasons is located in Midtown, Atlanta's cultural district. Within walking distance are the High Museum of Art, the Woodruff Arts Center, the Alliance Theatre Company, the Fox Theatre, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, the Atlanta College of Art, the Center for Puppetry Arts, the Margaret Mitchell House, the Atlanta Botanical Garden, and Piedmont Park. Midtown has also been described as Atlanta's "hub for restaurants and nightlife." Attendees and their guests may use the complimentary shuttle to travel downtown and back. For trips to other parts of Atlanta, there is a MARTA station (Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority) close to the hotel.

The program chair for the 1999 meeting is Gary R. Johnson, Lake Superior State University. The vice-chair is Joseph Losco (Ball State University). Participation proposals are due by April 1, 1999. The call for abstracts—and other conference information—is posted at the association's web site: <http://WWW.LSSU.EDU/APLS>.

Information may also be obtained by contacting Judy Bawks, APLS administrative assistant, in the association's office: Association for Politics and the Life Sciences, Lake Superior State University, 650 W. Easterday Ave., Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783-1699, USA; tel: +1-906-635-2757; fax: +1-906-635-2111; E-mail: APLS@LAKERS.LSSU.EDU.

Council and Officer Election

Elected or reelected to four-year terms (1998-2002) on the APLS Executive Council in the election of 1998 were Larry Arnhart (Northern Illinois University), Andrea Bonnicksen (Northern Illinois University), Peter Corning (Institute for the Study of Complex Systems), Bruce Jennings (The Hastings Center), Roger Masters (Dartmouth College), and Vincent Falger (University of Utrecht, The Netherlands). They join Robert Blank (University of Canterbury, New Zealand), Ira Carmen (University of Illinois), Samuel Hines (College of Charleston), Joseph Losco (Ball State University), Janna Merrick (University of South Florida), and Steven Peterson (Penn State University, Harrisburg), who will be serving the final two years of four-year terms that end in 2000. Reelected by the council itself to serve as officers were Samuel Hines, Chair; Andrea Bonnicksen, Vice-Chair; and Ira Carmen, Secretary. Congratulations to all.

APLS Graduate Student Paper Award

The Association for Politics and the Life Sciences annually awards a prize for the best paper by a graduate student on a topic related to politics or public policy and one or more of the life sciences. The range of eligible topics, methods, and approaches is reflected in the range of articles and commentaries published in *Politics and the Life Sciences*. Papers coauthored with faculty members are not eligible. The award for the best graduate student paper is a cash prize of \$500, recognition at the association's annual meeting, and publication in *Politics and the Life Sciences*. Graduate students should send four copies of a paper to be submitted for consideration, together with a letter of endorsement by a faculty sponsor (who need not be from the institution at which the student is formally enrolled, and who may be a scholar in any discipline). Papers and faculty letters of endorsement should be submitted by May 15, 1999 to APLS Graduate Student Paper Award, c/o Andrea L. Bonnicksen, Department of Political Science, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL 60115-2887, USA.

Human Behavior and Evolution Society

The 1999 annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES) will be held June 2-6, 1999 at the

University of Utah in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA. The program chair is Steven Gangestad (sgangest@unm.edu); the local organizers are Alan Rogers (rogers@anthro.utah.edu) and Elizabeth Cashdan (cashdan@anthro.utah.edu). The deadline for abstracts for proposed presentations is March 1, 1999. Abstracts for symposia must be submitted by February 1, 1999. For more information about the conference and about submitting a proposal, visit the conference's web site at <http://kimura.anthro.utah.edu/hbes99>.

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