

*Southern Regional Science Association*

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# January 2000 Newsletter

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**The Southern Regional Science Association will meet at the Wyndham Miami Beach Resort hotel in Miami Beach April 13-15, 2000. (See main web page and associated meeting/hotel pages for phone numbers and addresses.**

As usual our members can anticipate an excellent meeting with many interesting papers, panel sessions, and discussions. John Rees ([e-mail John](#) now?) the 2000 Program Chair has been hard at work over the past few months finalizing the April program. Don't have time to write a paper? remember every session needs a chair and several discussants, please make yourself available and help make these meetings a success.

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**Late Program Note--92 abstracts currently in hand. Quite an international flavor, 9 countries represented. Those interested can still contact me about squeezing them in: January 31, final deadline.**

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Miami Beach offers many interesting places to visit, each a wonderful example of the rich cultural diversity found throughout the area. For those interested in shopping, you can stroll along the Española Way, with its Mediterranean-style architecture, for the feel and look of a street in Madrid. For those not exhausted after a hard day of meetings, the dining and night life of the area range from the flair of "new world" cuisine along Ocean Drive to the comfort of good wholesome food in some of the smaller beach-front restaurants.

Warren Kriesel is coordinating a dive in the Keys during the SRSA meetings. The dive trip will most likely be Thursday morning. We have identified 4 divers with interest to date. For further information contact Warren at (706) 542-0748 or by e-mail at [wkriesel@agecon.uga.edu](mailto:wkriesel@agecon.uga.edu)

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**You can visit the Miami and Beaches Web Site at: [www.miamiandbeaches.com](http://www.miamiandbeaches.com)**

**The 2000 SRSA Graduate Student Paper Competition--**The 2000 Barry Moriarty Graduate Paper Competition deadline is February 1, 2000. The SRSA urges members to encourage qualified graduate students to participate in the competition. Each student entering the competition must be sponsored by an SRSA member in good standing.

Questions concerning the details on the 2000 competition should be addressed to:  
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**SRSA Fellow named for 2000**--John H. Cumberland, Professor Emeritus, University of Maryland will present the 2000 Fellows Address in Miami Beach. The Fellows luncheon will be on Friday April 14th.

**Thoughts from the President**--Dear SRSA members, As we start the "computer millennium" we'll be in Miami Beach for the Annual meeting. I am anticipating an excellent program put together by John Rees, the 2000 Program Chair. In addition to the program, I expect warm sun and good company to chase away those winter chills.

Please remember anyone who is planning to attend the meetings and is willing to serve as a session chair or a discussant, even if you are not planning to present a paper should contact John at [johnrees@uncg.edu](mailto:johnrees@uncg.edu). There are always last-minute slots in the program to fill and I'm sure he would appreciate additional people to call on if needed.

The SRSA Executive Council met in Montreal last November, the site of the North American meetings of the Regional Science Association International. John Kort, the SRSA representative to the North American Regional Science Council, reported that David Barkley, a past-president of SRSA, was elected to the Council for a three year term.

We also discussed potential meeting sites for 2002 and 2003. We will likely meet in the Washington, D. C. area in 2002. If you have suggestions for 2003, please contact me immediately via [e-mail](#). I will warn you that you may be asked to check out hotels in the city that you suggest. We will be discussing potential cities for the 2003 meeting in April, so we would need your suggestions and information before then.

Don't forget the SRSA will be hosting the North American meetings in 2001 in Charleston, South Carolina. The contracts for the meeting space have been signed with the College of Charleston Lightsey Conference Center and The Westin Francis Marion Hotel. Our next task is organizing the program. Please contact me at [judystal@tamu.edu](mailto:judystal@tamu.edu) if you would like to volunteer to serve as program chair for that meeting. The program chair will receive a free room during those meetings.

**Judy**

President, SRSA

**The Treasurers Report**--There were 178 dues paying members for 1999. Please pay your dues with your conference registration. If you do not plan to attend the conference, send your 2000 dues along

with any changes to your title, address or e-mail address on an application form ==> [go there now?](#) or in the Printed January 2000 Newsletter--to Kevin McNamara (see addresses at a glance.)

**Rural Dimensions of Welfare Reform**--A research conference on poverty, welfare, and food assistance May 4-5, 2000 Washington, D. C. Organized and sponsored by: Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Joint Center for Poverty Research, Northwestern University/University of Chicago Rural Policy Research Institute.

Conference Organizers: Greg J. Duncan, Joint Center for Poverty Research, Northwestern University; Bruce A. Weber, Oregon State University and Rural Policy Research Institute; Leslie A. Whitener, Economic Research Service -- Deadline for completed conference (abstracts already submitted) papers: April 7, 2000. Papers can be sent as e-mail attachments or in hard copy. Send e-mail attachments to: [povcen@nwu.edu](mailto:povcen@nwu.edu) -- Send hard copies to: Rural Dimensions Conference, The Joint Center for Poverty Research, Northwestern University, 2046 Sheridan Road, Evanston, IL

**SRSA Web**--We think the site contains much useful information about the Association. As well as links to several sites of interest to regional scientists, including federal data sources and several universities as well as institutions and other associations--such as RSAI and the other regional science associations.

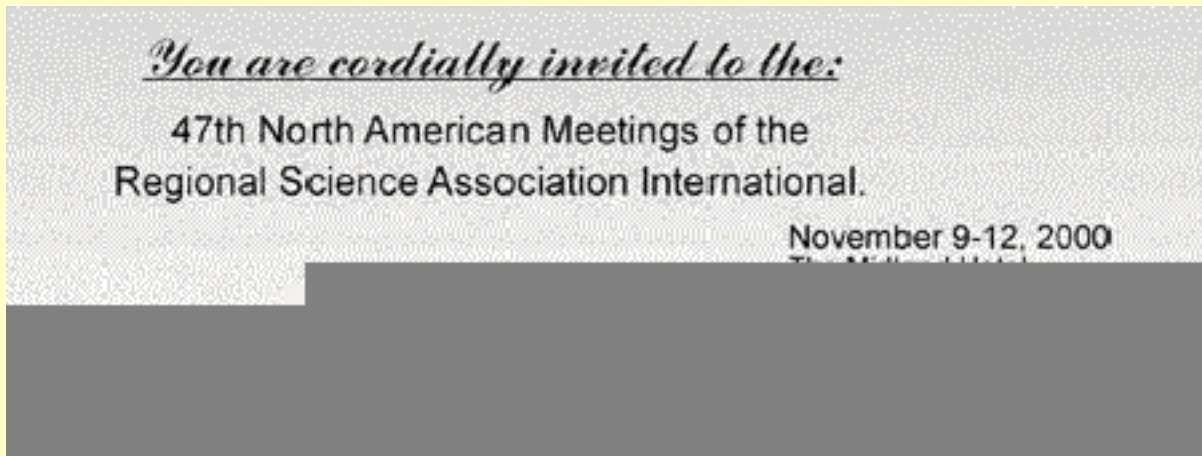
Again, if you have any comments, suggestions for additional links, or thoughts about the site please send an e-mail to Ted Trott. If you wish to advertize a position on the SRSA jobs page, please send the information to Ted; either in hard copy or e-mail.

The site can be reached through the TIPP home page at George Mason University or directly at the following URL: [http://www.gmu.edu/departments/tipp/policysite/srsa/F\\_SRSAHP.HTM](http://www.gmu.edu/departments/tipp/policysite/srsa/F_SRSAHP.HTM)

The Review of Regional Studies a peer refereed journal is published three times a year for the Southern Regional Science Association by the College of Business and Economics at the University of Delaware.

Its contents are listed and it is abstracted in major indexes such as the Journal of Economic Literature. A typical table of contents is shown on the Review's web site available for viewing through the SRSA home page.

**The Regional Science Association International**--Meets in Chicago in 2000



**Western Regional Science Association--**The Western Regional Science Association is pleased to announce what may be the first major regional science event of the new millennium: our 39th Annual Meeting, February 26 through March 1, 2000 at the Sheraton Kauai Resort in Poipu, Kauai, Hawaii.

This is one Western conference you owe it to yourself to participate in! The 39th Annual Meeting will mark a milestone: WRSA will have met on each of the five main Hawaiian Islands: Please note that due to the expected large turnout and limited meeting room space, sessions will be held beginning Sunday, February 27 and continuing through Wednesday, March 1. So plan on a full mid-winter's week of scholarly refreshment and experience Kauai, "the Garden Island."

Check the Association's information-packed website during the remainder of this millennium for further details and updates about next year's conference.

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