



# SRSA

## Newsletter

Southern Regional Science Association

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**2002: SRSA  
Meets in  
DC Area  
April 11-13, 2002**

The Association begins its fifth decade of service to regional science in the south next April at the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. This hotel is located just a short walk from Georgetown (across the historic Potomac River) and the Orange and Blue subway lines with connections to both National and Dulles airports and to almost any where in the DC area.

As usual the program chair, Robert Gibbs of the US Department of Agriculture, promises a varying and interesting program. Robert will be contacting you about organizing or chairing a session or discussing papers. Remember, it's OK to contact him first (see addresses at a glance).

Copies of the conference and hotel registration forms are available on the Association's web site [www.srsa.org](http://www.srsa.org) and in this newsletter.



**The North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International--**The 2002 meetings will be

held November 14-16, 2002 at the **Condado Plaza Hotel and Casino** in San Juan, Puerto Rico -- (800)-468-8588 or (787)-253-4390. Room rates are \$150 per night, single or double occupancy. These special room rates are good three days before and after the meeting dates (November 14-16, 2002). The Condado is 7 miles (15 minutes) from the airport and about 2 miles (10 minutes) from historic Old San Juan. It is a AAA-rated four-diamond hotel overlooking the Atlantic Ocean and the Condado Lagoon.

**Greetings from the President--**Dear Members: The SRSA hosted the 48<sup>th</sup> North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International in Charleston, S.C., Nov. 15-17. There were 69 sessions with approximately 260 people attending the conference. Given the difficulties and the uncertainties of air travel, it was heartening to see so many people. I understand on the way out, one flight was canceled and several participants got to see more of South Carolina than they had intended as they were bused to Columbia to catch an alternative flight.

The sessions were well attended, even though a number of people decided to take the boat ride to Fort Sumter – to see where the War of Succession began! Those of you who have been to Charleston, you

### CALL FOR EDITOR...

The *Review of Regional Studies*, a peer refereed journal published twice a year for the Southern Regional Science Association (SRSA), is currently published by the College of Business and Economics at the University of Delaware. The SRSA is interested in receiving nominations and applications for the position of editor. The new editor (s) will be charged with converting the *Review* to an electronic format while maintaining the *Review's* quality and reputation. The successful candidate should be ready to assume the position by August of 2002 and begin processing volume 33 for publication in 2003. The decision will be made by the SRSA executive council at the next SRSA meeting in April, 2002. Applications should include a statement of the candidate's vision for the *Review*.

Nomination and applications should be directed to:  
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should know that the cannons on the battery did not have the range to reach Fort Sumter. You should also know that the carriage drivers tell some interesting stories, not altogether historical stories. Unfortunately the Francis Marion Square was still being renovated in November, but it did open in time for the Christmas tree lighting.

The SRSA will meet April 11-13, 2002, at the Key Bridge Marriott, Arlington, Virginia. The hotel overlooks the Capital and Georgetown. It is conveniently located two blocks from the Rosslyn Metro Station. I trust many of you have already submitted your abstracts to Robert Gibbs for the meetings in April and are making plans to attend. If you haven't gotten a paper together, don't forget to volunteer to serve as a discussant. With the budget woes afflicting most states, I encourage everyone to submit their travel plans early this year.

You will notice in this issue that we are issuing a call for potential editors for the *Review of Regional Studies*. A decision will be made at the executive council meeting in April. I look forward to seeing you all at the April meetings. Best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year. – Frank

### **The Western Regional Science**

**Association** conference will begin on Sunday afternoon February 17, 2002 with registration and a special Opening Session and Reception. Paper sessions will be held all-day Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, February 18—20. The site the HYATT REGENCY MONTEREY HOTEL..



Papers on any topic of broad interest to regional science are welcomed; the program committee screens papers for suitability before sending invitations; persons interested in organizing special sessions should get in touch with the 2002 program chair, Lay Gibson. (For more information send e-mail to: [ljgibson@ag.arizona.edu](mailto:ljgibson@ag.arizona.edu).)

**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 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.

Volume 31, #1 (Summer 2001) has been printed and will be mailed in January 2002. Volume 31, #2 (Fall 2001) is currently being prepared for printing. Manuscripts have been accepted to fill Volume 31, #3 (Winter 2001). We are awaiting final copies of the manuscripts.

We are currently soliciting manuscripts to be considered for publication in Volume 32 (2002). Volume 32 will have two issues, Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter, but will contain approximately the same number of manuscripts as past volumes.

Volume 32 will be the last under our editorship (see the solicitation for new editor(s)) in this newsletter. While the experience of serving the SRSA as editors and publishers of the *Review of Regional Studies* has been personally and professionally rewarding in many ways, we have informed the SRSA Executive Council that we will not be continuing beyond the end of our present 5-year term. We will be happy to discuss the time, resources and commitment involved with any one interested in serving as editor(s).

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