



SOUTHERN REGIONAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

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SRSA News

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January 2006

45th Annual Meetings

The 2006 Meetings will be held at the historic Casa Monica Hotel, St. Augustine, FL, March 30-April 1, 2006.

For Hotel Reservations, call:

Casa Monica Hotel 1-800-648-1888 between 9AM and 6PM, Monday through Friday. The SRSA conference rate is \$189/night. To receive this rate, reservations must be made by February 28, 2006.



Greetings from Cynthia Rogers, SRSA President

Happy 2006! I hope that this year provides an opportunity for continued collegiality among those interested in regional science, from the ivory towers, to the DC beltway, to state capital domes, to office of rural economic development officers. It is enriching to be involved with a group that includes scholars, policy makers, and practitioners. Working together we can identify, study, and act to address real world problems in a meaningful manner.

The 45th Annual SRSA meeting is fast approaching on March 31 through April 1 in St. Augustine, Florida. Although I've never been there, I'm told that the Casa Monica Hotel is a majestic 1888 landmark hotel located in the heart of the city's historic district. Restored in 1999, it features a blend of "legendary past with contemporary pleasures," including "first-class service and luxury," "inspired Spanish architecture" with "a décor of jewel-toned velvet, tapestries and luminous chandeliers" in a "setting of sun-kissed ocean sands" (<http://casamonica.com>). Fortunately, we'll have some interesting sessions to provide a break from all the local attractions.

Our 2006 Program Chair, David McGranahan, is putting together an exciting program to match the amenity-laden atmosphere. There are a few slots open on the program in

case you missed the submission deadline. Please contact David (dmcg@ers.usda.gov) as soon as possible about late submissions or a special session. Rooms available at the SRSA rate are limited so be sure to make your reservation if you haven't already done so.

Before the year progresses too far, I would like to thank David McGranahan for all his hard work organizing this year's program. I would also like to thank everyone for their help and support during my year as President. I am especially appreciative of John Sporing for his work as the Executive Director of SRSA and for John Kort's continued guidance and support.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone and meeting some new colleagues in the St. Augustine this year. Discussing regional science and enjoying "sun-kissed ocean sands"- it just doesn't get any better than that!

Wanted Co-executive Director/Treasurer (Treasurer) for the SRSA

Kevin McNamara will be stepping down as Treasurer of the Association after the April 2006 meeting in St. Augustine. He will work with the incoming Treasurer to ensure a smooth transition and to explain the duties associated with the position.

The Treasurer's primary responsibilities are to:

1. Be an active participant in the Association's work, especially at the two Executive Council meetings each year;
2. Collect dues, pay bills, and maintain the accounts of the association;
3. Maintain association membership records;
4. Present an annual financial report at the Association's annual meetings;
5. Assist the Co-executive Director/Secretary, Officers, and Board Members with annual meeting planning.

To apply for this position, contact any Council member. If you have specific questions, call (765 494 4236) or email Kevin McNamara at mcnamara@purdue.edu. Kevin will be glad to discuss the details of the position and to assist in making a smooth transition.

News from the upcoming 45th Annual Meetings

The SRSA program will equal its great venue. One emergent theme will be practical involvement in local and regional issues. David Mulkey and Alan Hodges at the University of Florida have organized a symposium on the St. Augustine region, with people from the University's Department of Recreation, Parks & Tourism as well as Food & Resource Economics and participation by St. Johns county officials. Judy Stallmann and Eric Scorsone have organized a roundtable on state fiscal restraints on local government and the regional scientist involvement in state task forces, etc. on this issue. Local fiscal issues are also the subject of a session organized by Eric and Kace Chalmers. Sessions organized by Louisiana State and Mississippi State will focus on hurricane impacts. There will also be a number of policy-impact papers, examining everything from U.S. farm programs, to EU regional funds, to metropolitan area designations, to tax incremental financing. The first abstract submitted (by Julia Hinkle and David Freshwater) asks whether being a dry or wet county (or changing from one to the other) has any association with local economic growth in Kentucky. (Despite the state's association with bourbon, many Kentucky counties are dry.)

Migration, as usual a strong suit at SRSA, will have three full sessions thanks to Brian Cushing. NE 1011 (Maureen Kilkenny and Joe Francis) has organized two strong sessions, one on labor markets and the other exemplifying spatial econometrics. And ERS (Mary Ahearn) and BEA (John Sporing) have organized sessions around their work.

There are gems everywhere, but I have focused on the organized sessions as program chairs have a special appreciation for their organizers (and early abstracts).

The program will be organized somewhat differently this year. On Friday and Saturday afternoons, we usually have two time periods, each with four 3-paper sessions. This year, we will have one set of longer, 4-paper sessions and end at 5 PM instead of the usual 5:45 PM. This will make life a little easier. If everyone follows through, we will have 83 presentations—more if abstracts keep trickling in.

Thanks to some flexibility in session room arrangements, we can accommodate a few more papers. We will consider new abstracts until Feb 3.

Future Meetings

2006 Casa Monica Hotel, St. Augustine, FL , March 30 – April 1, 2006

2007 Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston, S.C., March 29- March 31, 2007

SRSA WEBSITE

www.srsa.org

Check out the website for updated information and links to other regional science websites. Thanks to the Regional Research Institute, West Virginia University, for maintaining the site. Randy Jackson and Mary Lou Myer continue to do an excellent job!

Upcoming RSAI Meeting

The 53rd North American Regional Science Association International (RSAI) Conference sponsored by the North American Regional Science Council (NARSC), Toronto, Canada. The conference will be held at the Fairmont Royal York hotel from **November 16-18, 2006**. For more information see the SRSA website and follow the links.

NARSC Report from the November 2005 NARSC Council Meeting

Councillors Kara Kockelman and Stephan Weiler were elected as Councillors-at-large for 2005-2007.

NARSC Awards Isard Award—Luc Anselin. Boyce Award—John Quigley. Hewings Award—Diego Puga.

NARSC Appointments NARSC Chair—Randy Jackson. NARSC President—Pavlos Kanaroglou. Stevens Fellowship Committee—Brigitte Waldorf and Gordon Mulligan.

Future NARSC Meetings 2006-Toronto. 2007-Savannah (SRSA to “host”). 2008-Boston. 2009-San Francisco.

Discussion Item NARSC and TARSC. Discussion was held on whether to change the name of NARSC to TARSC—The Americas Regional Science Council—to be more inclusive of our Latin and South American colleagues. No action was taken at the meeting.

The Review of Regional Studies

The Review is published for the SRSA by The College of Business Administration at Oklahoma State University, Stillwater. ***The Review*** is published three times a year, usually as summer, fall, and winter. The editors, Dan Rickman and Ronald Moomaw, encourage you to submit your paper for consideration. Details can be found at the SRSA website. ***The Review*** is currently available electronically.

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Honors Chair and Graduate Student Papers for 2006 Meeting

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(2005-2008)

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Membership Application

Please complete and mail (along with a check or money order made out to SRSA)
**Kevin McNamara, SRSA Co executive Director/Treasurer, Department of Agricultural
Economics, 1145 Krannert Building, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907-1145.**

Dues: Regular \$50 /____/ Student \$20 /____/ (Includes *Review of Regional Studies*)

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address 1: _____

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Present Activity: () – first () – second

Activity Key: 1- research 2- teaching 4- administration 5- student
6- retired 7 – not employed 8 – extension 9 – other

Fields of Specialization: () – first () – second () – third

Specialization Key:

A -- Location theory	BB -- Regional governance
B -- Applied location studies	CC -- Human capital and manpower
C -- Input-output studies	DD -- Environmental quality
D -- Diffusion studies	EE -- Spatial markets and prices
E -- Migration	FF -- Tourism and recreation
F -- Economic demography	GG -- Banking and finance
G -- Population estimates and/or projections	HH -- Natural resources policy
H -- Taxation and public finance	II -- Regional planning theory
I -- Capital accumulation and flow	JJ -- Econometric techniques
J -- Regional multipliers	KK -- Impact models
L -- Gravity models	LL -- International trade
M -- Land use and land prices	MM -- Regional forecasting and macro modeling
N -- Urban real estate and housing	NN -- Industrial location and regional economic development
O -- Urban redevelopment	OO -- City planning
P -- Central place theory	PP -- Water resources planning
Q -- Regional statistics and accounts	QQ -- Utility economics
R -- Marketing	RR -- Law and policy administration
S -- (Open)	SS -- (Open)
T -- Rural development	TT -- Statistical tests of discrimination
U -- Interregional trade	UU -- Social welfare
V -- Regional labor markets	VV -- Industrial development
W -- Regional growth theory	WW -- Other
X -- Regional development policy	
AA -- Transportation	

Conference Registration
45th Annual Southern Regional Science Association Meeting
March 30 - April 1, 2006
(Registration desk opens 2:00 p.m., March 30)

Members of the Association are eligible for the lower member conference registration fee for the 2006 conference. Please submit a membership application and the 2006 membership dues of \$50 along with this 2006 conference registration form and members registration fee.

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address1: _____

Address2: _____

City/ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Conference Registration

____ Preregistration (member) \$160
____ Preregistration (nonmember) \$210
____ Registration (member) \$170
____ Registration (nonmember) \$220
____ Student \$40

2006 Dues (Includes subscription to
THE REVIEW OF REGIONAL STUDIES)

____ Regular \$50
____ Student \$20

Total Due

____ Preregistration + Dues \$210
____ Preregistration (nonmember) \$210
____ Registration + Dues \$220
____ Registration (nonmember) \$220
____ Student, Registration + Dues \$60
____ Other \$

Total Enclosed \$ _____

* If you desire a vegetarian meal on Saturday, please check here / _____ /

Make checks payable to: Southern Regional Science Association Return your check, along with this form and the attached membership form to:

Kevin McNamara, Co-Executive Director, SRSA
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Refund Policy: No refund of membership dues will be made. Those paying both membership and conference registration fee may receive a partial refund of the annual conference registration fee through written notification of the program chair of their inability to attend **no later than March 17, 2006. No refunds will be made for cancellations after March 17.**