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President's Message

Editor's Note: Surekha Rao, Associate Professor of Economics in the School of Business and Economics at Indiana University Northwest, assumed the position of IASS President this fall. She earned her Masters from the Delhi School of Economics, India and Ph.D. from the University of New England, Australia. She has taught at the Indian Statistical Institute, India, and held visiting faculty positions at the University of Napoli in Italy, Center for Operations Research and Economics in Belgium, Wesleyan University, Michigan Technological University, and University of Tulsa. Her current research interests are in international economies in transition, sustainable development, and Bayesian methods in economics and statistics.

As the Academy enters its eightieth year since inception, I am honored to serve as its President for the academic year 2008-09. I believe in the power of information and informed decision making and I also believe that researchers' prior beliefs have an explicit role to play in analysis and decision making. I believe that through effective use of "information" we can help the academy grow many folds. In times such as ours, when the

economy is facing monumental challenges and financial distraught on a global scale, and when unemployment is reaching record highs, social scientists are more important than ever before. The Academy is dedicated to its objectives of increasing the usefulness of social sciences in Indiana and providing an environment of collaboration and professional networking for social scientists from public and private schools. There is no better time than now to embark on increasing the visibility and outreach of the Academy and increase its membership. To this end we have initiated efforts on several fronts and we hope to be able to involve much larger numbers of social scientists from all over Indiana.

As a positive first step, the Board in its November meeting passed a resolution to invite all our past presidents to serve on the Board of the Academy as President Emeriti Ex-Officio. This would greatly strengthen our ability to recruit new members and provide mentorship for present and future directors. Our past presidents would bring their experience, and the synergy would help the Academy in its purpose of collaboration on issues and policies in social sciences.

The year 2008 is all about change, positive change. Another significant step for the membership drive by the Academy is to send out large sized flyers inviting new members and announcing the next annual meeting with opportunities for presentation, and attractive possibilities for publication in the Journal of the Academy. The Journal of the Academy of Social Sciences is a peer reviewed journal which publishes high quality papers in social sciences. Please spread the word around and we hope to get the attention of researchers all over the state of Indiana and attract many new presenters. I urge you all, members of the Academy, and the Board members to take a proactive approach and encourage your colleagues and friends to visit our website www.ius.edu/socialscience/iass and join the Academy. Information matters, social sciences matter, and social scientists matter more.

Let me take this opportunity to wish you all very Happy Holidays and Greetings for an intellectually productive year of 2009. I look forward to an opportunity to meet you at the next annual meeting.

Surekha Rao
Indiana University Northwest

Editor's Update: In a departure from previous practice, I have decided, with the consent of the IASS Executive Board, to slightly modify the publication schedule for our Newsletter beginning with this issue. The new dates for publication will be: the fall issue in November-December (as opposed to September) and in April-May (as opposed to March). This new schedule is timed for publication after the annual meeting held in October so we can share information about this event, and later in the spring to announce information about our forthcoming annual meeting in the fall.

On a different note, I encourage members to provide information about new programs, honors and accomplishments relating to institutions, programs, and colleagues in the social sciences. If anyone would like to submit or be willing to write a book or media review, or to even suggest books that we should review, I would be happy to hear from you. I would like to include such reviews as a regular contribution to the newsletter. If you would like to contribute in this or some other way, drop me a line.

Ken Colburn
Butler University

JOURNAL EDITOR'S CORNER



The Journal of the Indiana Academy of the Social Sciences appears once a year. It publishes peer-reviewed articles representing diverse disciplines that were presented at the Academy's Annual

Meeting. Not all articles presented at that meeting are published; only those that make a significant academic contribution to the literature and which are favorably reviewed by two referees. Occasionally, the Editor makes a contribution, which is also refereed, and the presentation of the Key Note Speaker, if suitable, is also printed. Volume XI of the Journal includes 13 articles from different disciplines of the Social Sciences

I would like to take this opportunity to remind the directors (who organized their respective

sections at the 2008 Annual Meeting) of each discipline of the Indiana Academy of Social Sciences that they play a major editorial role in the process of selecting articles for the next issue of the Journal. Directors must make sure that the writers of papers adhere to the style of the Journal according to the instructions provided by the Editor and available on the IASS Web site. The referee system must also be seriously followed. Please contact me if any Director has any questions about the process.

Volume XII will appear in the spring of 2009, and it is not known yet how many articles it will contain. Timely submission of papers from directors will enable me to have the Journal put together and printed earlier than last year. So far, I have received six papers for this next volume of the Journal and I expect to receive several more papers in the coming weeks.

Jean V. Poulard
Indiana University Northwest

2008 Annual Meeting Host—Indiana University Southeast

Indiana University Southeast (IUS) was the host of this year's Annual Meeting of the Indiana Academy of Social Sciences. Just as change was the buzz word in the presidential election, change is the buzz word on its campus. Five new residential lodges surround the lake in the middle of the beautiful campus that at one time was rolling farm land on the north side of New Albany. The lodges opened this fall with 96% occupancy and even though most of the students at IUS are still commuters, the change on campus has been dramatic.

The School of Social Sciences which helped to host the Annual Meeting is also experiencing tremendous growth in its majors. The fastest growing program on campus is Criminal Justice which has been in existence only six years. It has 225 majors and is showing no evidence of declining interest. Psychology which has historically had the largest number of majors outside the professional programs list 250 majors. Journalism has 80 majors with Political Science, Sociology, and History having about 60 to 70 majors each. The newest major in the school, International Stud-

ies, has about 25 majors. The Dean of the School of Social Sciences, Cliff Staten (secretary of IASS), considers 25 majors to be quite remarkable given the three years of foreign language requirement and overseas study emphasis. The School was much honored to be able to host the IASS Annual Meeting and for scholars from across the state to visit its campus.

Cliff Staten, Secretary, IASS
Dean, School of Social Sciences
Indiana University Southeast

"I thought the IASS Annual Meeting was excellent. I thoroughly enjoyed the History session and the lively exchange that took place in the discussion period and the intellectually stimulating nature of all the conversations. As one of the IU Southeast hosts, I would like to thank you all for coming to our university and for making the conference a great success. I also enjoyed the keynote speaker and felt the topic most timely." Jim Beeby

Notes: On November 6, 2008, Jean V. Poulard gave a presentation at Indiana University Northwest on an aspect of his research for his book *Les Caves de Mareuil*. The manuscript of the book has already received a very positive review from an anonymous French reader for a national editor and is at present in the hands of another regional editor in France. Unfortunately, the national editor does not publish the type of genre in which the book falls. The regional editor seems interested, however.

2008 Annual Meeting Program

As can be seen from the large number of sessions organized for this year, we had a very large number of papers on a wide range of topics representing a variety of disciplines and institutions:

Economics

- *University Campus Effects on Housing Prices and Apartment Rents: Evidence from Purdue University and West Lafayette, Indiana* by Todd H. Kuethe (Purdue University) and Do-Yeun Park (Purdue University)
- *Teaching Economics to 21st Century Students: Changing Pedagogy and Effective Outcomes* by Jaishankar Raman (Valparaiso University)
- *Booms, Overinvestment, and Financial Fragility: Reflections on the Current Crisis from an Economic History Perspective* by Kerry Pannell (DePauw University)

Geography and Environmental Studies (University Center 126)

- *MTBE Contamination of Gasoline and Groundwater in Indiana and the Effects of Legislation* by Reynaldo Barreto (Purdue University North Central)
- *View from a Liberian Refugee Camp: Buduburam, Ghana* by Peter Galvin (Indiana University Southeast)

History

- *Henry Harbaugh: Defining the Landscape of the Pennsylvania German Cultural Homeland in the mid 19th Century* by Bruce

Bigelow (Butler University) and Fred Yaniga (Butler University)

- *Childhood Experience and Taking-up Residence in a Middle-class Streetcar Suburb at the Turn-of-the-Century: the Case of the Wives* by Stephanie Bower (Indiana University Southeast)
- *All I Want to Do Now is Go Home: The Strange Odyssey of Army Cpl. Arlie Pate* by Randy Mills (Oakland City University)

Psychology 1

- *The Importance of the Infant-Parent Relationship to the Formation of the Child-Parent Relationship* by Diane Wille (Indiana University Southeast), Greg Taliafero (Cincinnati Psychoanalytic Institute), Shelley Mehl (University of Louisville), Angela Webster (University of Louisville), and Sandra Wyndham (University of Louisville)
- *Metaphors, Frames, and Embodied Cognition: Tools for Understanding our Understanding* by Kevin Clark (Indiana University Kokomo)
- *Co-Parenting Attitudes of Foster Parents* by Marine Walls (Indiana University Southeast) and Diane Wille (Indiana University Southeast)

Sociology and Anthropology 1

- *Recent Inequality Trends: the End of the Middle Class?* by Earl Wysong (Indiana University Kokomo)
- *Transracial Adoption* by Jennifer Wolters (Indiana University Northwest), David Knox (East

Carolina University), and Marty E. Zusman (Indiana University Northwest)

- *Navigating the Intersections of Identity: Woman, Mother, Worker* by Jane Brooks (Purdue University North Central), Shirley Keeton (Purdue University North Central), and Christabel Rogalin (Purdue University North Central)
- *Medicinal Plant Usage and Malaria in the Gambia* by Theo Randall (Indiana University South Bend)

Sociology and Anthropology 2

- *Inmate Drug Assessment Study at the Lake County Jail* by Jeanette Christine Shutay (Calumet College of St. Joseph), David Plebanski (Calumet College of St. Joseph), and Michael McCafferty (Calumet College of St. Joseph)
- *US v. Armstrong* by Billy Long (Indiana University Southeast)
- *Fears of Institutionalization* by Hanns Pieper (University of Evansville), Michelle Blake (University of Evansville), and Shelley Muneoka (University of Evansville)
- *Battered Women's Opinions on Taking Their Cases to Trial* by Sara Hare (Indiana University Southeast)

Business Administration

- *Workplace Bullying: A Modest Proposal* by Brenda Knowles (Indiana University South Bend)
- *Convergence: Business and Business Schools Prepare for IFRS* by Jim Thomas (Indiana University

Northwest)

- The Cultural Dimensions of Global Knowledge by Gideon Falk (Purdue University Calumet)

Gender Studies

- *Fantasy Tough Girls* by Anne Balay (Indiana University Northwest)
- Great Ambiguity: Traditional Masculinity (or the lack thereof) in Oliver Stone's Alexander by Jerry B. Pierce (Indiana University Northwest)
- Gender Socialization in Public Messages of Preacher Evangelist Joyce Myer by Dorothy Ige (Indiana University Northwest)
- *Exploring Definitions and Perceptions of Intimate Partner Violence* by Donna McLean (Indiana University Kokomo) and Lesa Beals (Indiana University Kokomo)

International Studies

- *Going Global: A Baseline Measure of International Mindedness Across Majors on a Commuter Campus* by Donna McLean

- (Indiana University Kokomo), Kathy Parkison (Indiana University Kokomo), and Margo Sorgman (Indiana University Kokomo)
- The Ethnopolitical Movement in Catalonia, Spain by Jean Abshire (Indiana University Southeast)

Political Science

- Determinants of Political Protest in Mexico: An Analysis of Competing Theories by Young Kim (University of Evansville)
- *Researching Indiana's First Constitutional Era* by Tom Kotulak (Indiana University Southeast) and Kevin Coleman (Indiana University Southeast)
- Presidential TV Ads through History: A Content Analysis of Livingroomcandidate.com by Joe Wert (Indiana University Southeast)

Psychology 2

- *All in the Family: A Qualitative Analysis of the Self-Perceived Causes of Shyness* by Kaitlin I. King (Indiana University Bloomington) and Bernardo J. Carducci

(Shyness Research Institute, Indiana University Southeast)

- *Repressive Coping and Secure Attachment* by Dennis Rodriguez (Indiana University South Bend), Christy Tidd (Indiana University South Bend), Jacob Dobransky (Indiana University South Bend), Ben Smith (Indiana University South Bend), Andrea Jones (Indiana University South Bend), and Ryan Bronkema (Indiana University South Bend)
- *Analysis of the Student Experience in an African Summer Research Program* by Lucinda Woodward (Ball State University) and Kim Brown (Ball State University)
- Psychological Disarmament and Geographical Resettlement of Liberian Former Child-Soldier Refugees in Ghana by Lucinda Woodward (Ball State University) and Pete Galvin (Indiana University Southeast)

2008 IASS ANNUAL MEETING KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Denise Travis, Ph.D., MSW, Professor of Social Work at Indiana University Northwest and Executive Director of Human beginnings, an outpatient mental health center, spoke on (now) President-Elect Barack Obama's Philadelphia Speech on Race and Politics in America. Dr. Travis connected very well with the large audience gathered to hear her talk which focused on the diverse ways in which ethnicity and race permeate all of our personal and

collective lives, lending them meaning and identity, on the one hand, but also giving rise to conflict and divisiveness, on the other. The candidacy and recent election of Barack Obama as our 44th President invites all of us to face and to reflect on and the central fact of race and ethnicity in our society and in our daily lives and in the process to transcend the negative.

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