

**34th Annual Meeting of the
Arkansas Political Science Association**



HENDRIX

**Conway, Arkansas
February 16-17, 2007**

Schedule of Events

Friday, February 16th

11:30-12:45: Executive Committee Lunch

Private Dining Room in Hulen Hall

[Executive Committee members should meet in the lobby of the Mills Center just before 11:30 to walk over to Hulen.]

Noon-4:00 p.m.

Registration: Mills Center Lobby

1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.: Panel Set A

Undergraduate Student Panel I

Room: Mills 103

Panel Chair: Joe Howard (University of Central Arkansas)

“Overcrowding and Outhouses: Could a State Housing Trust Fund Improve the Housing Situation in Arkansas?”

Andy McCormick (Hendrix College)

“Short-Order Cook-In-Chief: How the President Uses Executive Orders to Slice, Dice, Cover, and Smother the Federal Bureaucracy”

Jared Stewart (University of Central Arkansas)

“Shopping Malls at the Expense of Schools? The Impact of Tax Increment Financing on School Funding in Arkansas”

Russ Montgomery (Hendrix College)

Discussant: Joe Howard (University of Central Arkansas)

American Politics Roundtable: The Roberts Court: An Assessment and Look to the Future

Room: Mills 301

Tom McInnis (University of Central Arkansas)

Art English (University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

Doug Reed (Ouachita Baptist University)

Urban Politics Roundtable: The Politics of I-630

Room: Mills 303

Chair: Trent Shaskan (University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

Steve Mitchell (Arkansas Highway Department)

Jason Rouby (Former Director, Metroplan)

Jim McKenzie (Director, Metroplan)

Kay Goss (Former Assistant to Rep. Wilbur Mills)

Todd Parent (University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

Michael Drake (Argenta Mainstreet, North Little Rock)

2:45-4:15 p.m.: Panel Set B

International Relations/Comparative Politics Panel: Issues in Comparative Politics and International Relations

Room: Mills 301

Chair: Michael Tarver (Arkansas Tech University)

“Hegemonic Rhythms: The Role of Hip-hop Music in American Cultural Imperialism”

Joseph L. Jones (Clark Atlanta University)

“Sudan: A Half Century of Political & Social Change, 1956-2006”

Bankole A. Okuwa (University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff)

“Strategic Operational Advantages of Suicide Missions”

Loretta Frank (University of Arkansas)

“Do Terrorists Hate Freedom?: Content Analysis of Terrorist Claims of Responsibility”

Stephanie Lampinen (University of Arkansas)

Discussant: Daniel Whelan (Hendrix College)

Undergraduate Student Panel II

Room: Mills 103

Panel Chair: Kim Hoffman, University of Central Arkansas

“Engendered Grassroots Democracy: The Role of African American Women in Non-Profit Organizations”

Valerie E. Kimbrough (Hendrix College)

“Who Gives and Why: A Pilot Study of Political and Charitable Contributions by Academic Elites”

Chanley Painter (University of Central Arkansas)

“Hurricanes and Politics: A Stormy Relationship”
Holly Robbins (Hendrix College)

“Social Web, Public Sphere? Investigating the Participatory Web as Harbinger of a New Historical Phase”
Ethan Moore (Hendrix College)

Discussant: Price Dooley, University of Central Arkansas

Arkansas Politics Roundtable: What Did the 2006 Election Mean for the Future of Arkansas Politics?

Room: Mills 303

Chair: Janine Parry (University of Arkansas)

Sen. Gilbert Baker (Republican Party of Arkansas)
Jay Barth (Hendrix College)
Brenda Blagg (*The Morning News of Northwest Arkansas*)
Gabe Holmstrom (Office of Attorney General Dustin McDaniel)
Warwick Sabin (*Arkansas Times*)

4:30-6:00 p.m.

Reception: Mills Library

6:15 p.m.

Dinner: Hulen Ballroom
Welcome: Hendrix President Tim Cloyd
Speaker: Governor Mike Beebe,
“The Transition from Legislator to Governor”

Saturday, February 17th

8:30-10:30 a.m.

Registration: Mills Center Lobby

8:00-10:00 a.m.: Continental Breakfast

Mills Library

8:45-10:15 a.m.: Panel Set C

International Relations Roundtable: Problems in Global Politics

Room: Mills 103

Chair: Bill Topich (Pulaski Academy/UA-Little Rock)

“Deal or No Deal: Warlord Politics in Contemporary Africa”

Bill Topich (Pulaski Academy/UA-Little Rock)

“US Public Diplomacy: Losing Hearts and Minds the World Over”,”

William Muck (University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

“Foreign Policies of Semi-Authoritarian States – A Preliminary Investigation”

Jacek Lubecki (University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

“External Military Intervention in Civil Conflicts: Principles and Patterns”

Mark Mullenbach (University of Central Arkansas)

Public Policy in the United States

Room: Mills 301

Chair: Brian Kisida (University of Arkansas)

“The Superfund Shortfall: Can a Short-term Solution end a Long-term Problem?”

Angela M. Hines (University of Arkansas)

“Arkansas’ Safe Haven Legislation: A Preliminary Evaluation”

Otilia Iancu (University of Arkansas)

“The Economics, Sociology, and Politics of Educational Testing”

Louella Moore (Arkansas State University)

“An Intersectionality Perspective in the Policy Process: A Case Study of Limited-Resource Farmers”

Adele Natasha Norris (University of Arkansas)

Discussant: Margaret Reid (University of Arkansas)

Political Theory Panel: Expertise, Administration, and the Public Realm

Room: Mills 303

Chair: Clay Arnold (University of Central Arkansas)

"The Epistemic Community of Sustainable Development"

Eric Baker (University of Central Arkansas)

"Arendt and Weber on Administration: A Conversation Long Overdue"

Dr. Kimberly Maslin-Wicks (Hendrix College)

Discussant: Clay Arnold (University of Central Arkansas)

Undergraduate Panel III

Room: Mills C

Chair: Adam Lowther (Arkansas Tech University)

"American Objectives in the Iraq War,"

Tara Malone (Arkansas Tech University)

"An Outline of the Iraq War,"

Larissa Braden (Arkansas Tech University)

"Terrorist Tactics in the Iraq War,"

Brian Grace (Arkansas Tech University)

Discussant: Adam Lowther (Arkansas Tech University)

10:30am-Noon: Panel Set D

International Relations Roundtable: Insurgency/Counter-Insurgency in Iraq

Room: Mills 101

Jeff Ryan (University of Arkansas)

Mark Elrod (Harding University)

John Passé-Smith (University of Central Arkansas)

Maj. Bradley Hall (Arkansas State University)

American Politics Roundtable: Return to Divided Government

Room: Mills 301

Hal Bass, Ouachita Baptist University

Margaret Scranton, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Haroon Khan, Henderson State University

State Politics Panel

Room: Mills 303

Chair: Janine Parry (University of Arkansas)

"Determinants of Public Policies Among Women and Men State Legislators"

Don Whistler (University of Central Arkansas) and Mark C. Ellickson (Missouri State University)

"A Comparative Look at State Gay and Lesbian Marriage Ballot Measures and Social Conservative Support for Republican Candidates in 2004" Gary Wekkin (University of Central Arkansas), Andrew J. Dowdle (University of Arkansas), Leslie Piatt, (University of Arkansas), and Jared A. Stewart (University of Central Arkansas)

"Latino-Bashing?: Modern Race-baiting in 2006 Arkansas Elections"

Lizzy Price (Hendrix College)

"Term Limits in Arkansas: Some Project "Wrap-Up" Findings,"

Art English (University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

Discussant: Eric Baker (University of Central Arkansas)

Urban Politics/Public Administration Panel

Room: Mills 103

Chair/Discussant: Trent Shaskan (University of Arkansas at Little Rock)

"Different Strategies for Sovereign Actors: Accounting for Variances in Indian Country"

Aaron L. Mason (Northwestern Oklahoma State University)

"Collaborative Activity toward Economic Development: A Case Study of Conway Local Government"

Amy Bynum (University of Central Arkansas)

"Collaborative Partnerships and the Faith-Based Initiatives"

Kim Hoffman (University of Central Arkansas)

12:15 p.m.

Lunch: Hulen Ballroom

Speaker: David Stricklin, Director, Butler Center for Arkansas Studies,

"The Arkansas Studies Institute: A New Resource for the Study of Politics and History"

