

## NEWSLETTER

May 1978

### Arkansas Political Science Association

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#### THE 1979 MEETING SCHEDULED FOR CONWAY

The Association's Program Committee, chaired by Cal Ledbetter (UALR), has made arrangements with the Holiday Inn in Conway to house the Annual Meeting on February 23-24, 1979. Friday sessions (panels and dinner meeting) will be held at the Mills Center on the Hendrix College campus, a ten-minute walk from the Inn. Saturday sessions (breakfast, panels, and luncheon-business meeting) will be at the Holiday Inn.

Persons interested in submitting program proposals (papers, roundtable topics, etc.) or offering their services (panel chairs, discussants, etc.) should contact Ledbetter. The Committee is especially interested in proposals relating to "Recent Developments in Arkansas Government," "Political Theory," "Political Behavior," "Law and Society," "Public Administration Roundtable," and "New Perspectives in International Relations and Comparative Politics." The deadline for proposals is November 1, 1978.

The featured speaker at the Friday evening dinner will be Dan Nimmo of the University of Tennessee. Nimmo is author or co-author of Newsgathering in Washington, American Political Patterns, The Texas Political System, The Political Persuaders, Candidates and Their Images, Popular Images of Politics, and Political Communication and Public Opinion in America.

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#### PAPER AWARDS

At the 1978 Meeting awards were given to the best graduate and undergraduate papers on Arkansas politics written during 1977. The graduate student award went to William Onopa (UALR) for his paper, "Improving State/Local Relations in Arkansas." Adrienne Brietzke (UALR) won the undergraduate award with her paper, "The Issue of Appellate Review of Sentencing : Some Preliminary Findings from the States." In addition, Diane D. Kincaid (UAF) received a \$50 award from the Rose Publishing Company for her manuscript, "The Arkansas Plan : Coon Dogs or Community Services?"

The Executive Board has established three awards to be given annually at future Meetings of the Association. The categories are : best paper presented at the Annual Meeting, best paper submitted by a graduate student in residence at any Arkansas university or college written during the year preceding the Meeting, and likewise for a paper written by an undergraduate student.

Sims McClintock (UCA) is chairperson of the Awards Committee. Student papers can be submitted to him for consideration until January 2, 1979. Three

copies of each paper must be submitted.

Any person who presents a paper at the 1979 Meeting and desires to have it considered for best paper presented at the Meeting must submit three copies to McClintock no later than February 9, 1979. This award, as well as the student awards, is not limited as to topic.

## OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE ASSOCIATION , 1978-1979

To aid communications between members of the Association, officers and committee chairpersons of the Association are :

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| President           | Robert L. Savage (UAF)              |
| Vice President      | Charles Hartwig (ASU)               |
| Secretary-Treasurer | Walter Nunn (Institute of Politics) |
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|                     | James Megginson (GCCC)              |
|                     | Robert Meriwether (Hendrix)         |
|                     | Glen Sparrow (UALR)                 |
|                     | Carolyn Zinn (ASU)                  |

### Committee

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Nominations  
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Pre-Collegiate Education

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In order to meet the obligations which its members have placed upon it, the Association is in urgent need of MONEY ! If you have not yet paid your 1978 dues, please send a check for five dollars made out to the "Arkansas Political Science Association" to

Walter Nunn, Secretary -Treasurer  
Arkansas Political Science Association  
% Institute of Politics  
308 East 8th Street  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

A receipt will be returned to you long before your 1979 confession to the IRS is due.

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#### FUTURE SERVANTS

If you should like to serve (or nominate someone else to do so) as an officer of the Association in 1979-1980, contact Carolyn Zinn (ASU). She is chairing the Nominations Committee and would appreciate the volunteerism.

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#### DIRECTORY OF ARKANSAS POLITICAL SCIENTISTS

A Directory of Arkansas Political Scientists, 1978 is being prepared by Jeddy LeVar (HSU) and is scheduled for publication in early September. Copies will be disseminated to members of the Association free of charge.

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#### HAVE YOU HEARD ?

Walter Nunn, our tireless and much-beloved Secretary -Treasurer, has been appointed Executive Director of the Institute of Politics, replacing Dale Enoch. Walter will appreciate not only your congratulations but your ideas as to prospective programs and activities for the Institute as well.

Bob Savage (UAF) has been appointed Division (Political Communication) Editor of Human Communication Research. The journal is published by the International Communication Association.

Joel Anderson (UALR), a past President of the Association and all-around square-shooter, has moved upstairs. He is the new Dean of the Graduate School at UALR.

Carolyn Zinn (ASU) is directing a Taft Institute program again this summer. The program is designed to give practical insights on politics to public school teachers.

Conrad Waligorski (UAF) has received a summer research grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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