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(Editor's Note: The following is the abbreviated tale of one very determined and patient [and giving, as you will see] person who endured to the end. Her victory is most assuredly LASA's as well, since she brings strong competence and a wonderful personality to her new position. Our best to you, Mirna!)

Cuando decidimos venir a Pittsburgh en septiembre del año pasado, mi marido y yo convinimos en que éste era un lugar propicio para desarrollar nuestras respectivas carreras profesionales. El aceptó una oferta de la Universidad de Pittsburgh para hacer su doctorado; por mi parte, decidí buscar un trabajo que me permitiera aplicar mi experiencia profesional y formación académica que obtuve tanto en la Argentina como en los Estados Unidos.

Al poco tiempo de llegar a Pittsburgh me puse en contacto con LASA para acceder al listado de trabajos que regularmente puede obtenerse por correo electrónico. Para mi sorpresa, en esa oportunidad me enteré de que el puesto de asistente del director ejecutivo estaba vacante. Parecía demasiada suerte porque era un trabajo perfecto para mi formación como contadora y mis estudios de posgrado en asuntos internacionales, con especialización en América Latina.

Aún más para mi sorpresa, me dijeron que yo era la única de los solicitantes que tenían todos los requisitos del puesto y que me iban a seleccionar para el trabajo. Hasta aquí, parecía que la suerte me acompañaba, pero recién en ese momento entré en un largo y durísimo proceso para conseguir que la oferta que se me había hecho pudiera concretarse.

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Program Committee At Work on LASA 94

As this issue of the *LASA Forum* went to press, Professor Edna Acosta-Belén and her program staff were busy at work.

Indeed, their work is cut out for them! Professor Acosta-Belén's June 1 report showed a record 335 proposals for organized sessions received, as well as 480 submissions for individual papers. This compares with 323 proposals for organized sessions and 359 submissions for individual papers for LASA 92. By September, the LASA 94 program committee will have made its final decisions on all requests, and communicated with all applicants. Space availability for LASA 94 will be a prime consideration in determining the number of panels and workshops that can be accepted.

By November, decisions on travel awards for Latin American participants will be communicated to award candidates. Although the travel funding level for the Atlanta meeting is not yet determined, LASA cannot hope to raise enough funds to make awards to all 375 individuals who have requested them. Mark Rosenberg, chair of the LASA 94 finance committee, has been working hard to obtain as much travel funding for the congress as possible. He and his committee await the decisions of several foundations and corporations to which proposals have been submitted.

LASA members can take pride in efforts of many dedicated individuals who work on our behalf to produce the world's largest gatherings of Latin American scholars. ■

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NCASA Affiliation Proves Highly Beneficial to LASA

In September of 1988, the chief administrative officers of the five leading area studies associations in the United States founded NCASA, the National Council of Area Studies Associations. The five societies—the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS), the African Studies Association (ASA), the Association of Asian Studies (AAS), LASA, and the Middle East Studies Association (MESA) were drawn together by a set of common concerns. The most pressing of these concerns dealt with the possible consequences for area studies should a new federal agency committed to the administration of all programs affecting international studies and foreign language instruction be established. Such an initiative had been launched in 1987, and the Coalition for the Advancement of Foreign Languages and International Studies (CAFLIS) was established with private funds that same year to establish a consensus about the value of such a federal entity.

NCASA members have embarked on projects designed to advance area studies in the United States

The new federal agency was not to be, at least for the time being. However, in the course of several meetings about the proposed agency and the work of CAFLIS, NCASA executive directors found that they could benefit not just from a potential united front on new initiatives or proposed changes in existing legislation, but also from periodic consultation and the exchange of information on a host of issues and challenges faced commonly by the member associations.

NCASA consists of two representatives (the president and the executive/administrative officer) of each association. The responsibility to chair meetings and serve as secretariat rotates among the member associations every two years. LASA's executive director, Reid Reading, will chair the council for two years beginning in November of the present year.

At its founding, the group agreed to hold two meetings a year: one in the spring for the presidents and administrative officers alike, and one in the fall for the administrative officers only. The enterprise has been very economical for the constituent associations, because of NCASA's success in obtaining grant funds to establish the Council on full footing. Also, the two meetings per year generally take place in

conjunction with meetings of the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), of which all NCASA associations are members. The ACLS contributes heavily to the travel expenses of the administrative officers of its constituent societies.

Besides sharing "helpful hints" about the administration of non-profit learned societies and their conventions, NCASA members have embarked on projects designed to advance area studies in the United States. One of these has been to follow up a preliminary study of the demand for faculty replacement in each of the areas via the development of a common NCASA database from which to extract future calculations of the state of instruction in each of the areas. Plans for determining the "supply" side of the picture by studying Ph.D. production are being drawn up currently.

Finally, the members of NCASA are interested in strengthening the international connections of their associations. On the second day of the May 31-June 1, 1993, meeting of the Council in Quebec City, NCASA administrative officers met with representatives of their counterpart associations in Canada. After several hours of fruitful exchange of information and points of view, it was decided that the respective sets of associations should explore the following possibilities for collaboration: 1) communication—publishing each other's news and attending each other's meetings, to the extent possible; 2) marketing each other's memberships; 3) sponsoring joint meetings, and/or convening smaller scale joint meetings on specific themes; 4) shared/joint memberships; 5) exchange of publications.*

Reid Reading has been charged to set up a 1994 Council meeting in Latin America along the lines of the Quebec encounter. Both the 1993 and 1994 meetings are supported by small grants to NCASA. ■

*Three of the Canadian area studies associations (Canadian Asian Studies Association [CASA]; the Canadian Association of African Studies [CAAS]; and the Canadian Association of Latin American and Caribbean Studies [CALACS]) have been jointly awarded a grant of (Canadian) \$250,000 by Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC). According to E. Ann McDougall, current CAAS president, the grant "enables us to strengthen our organization, while also assisting IDRC in creating, maintaining and enhancing research capacity in developing regions." In addition, the associations "have agreed to work together to build organizational capacity and expand membership." Given the renewed partnership with IDRC, a common secretariat and two new offices will be established, and a new coordinating body, the Canadian Council of Area Studies Learned Societies (CCASLS) has been formed to facilitate cooperation and joint activities among the three associations. ■

Camino al Secretariado continued

En simples términos, me enfrenté a la necesidad de obtener una visa de trabajo y, consecuentemente, a la intrincada burocracia de aquí. El trámite para obtener mi visa tardó ocho meses, durante los cuales trabajé sin paga, como voluntaria, para mantener el puesto de trabajo. Por suerte, mi intención de trabajar no respondía a una necesidad urgente de dinero, sino que me interesaba mi carrera profesional, ya que no me gustaba la idea de quedarme en casa "esperando" que mi marido terminara sus estudios.

Si bien durante estos difíciles ocho meses me sentí muy contenta de estar desarrollando una tarea que me gustaba, en muchos momentos me sentí un individuo sin ningún derecho, llena de incertidumbres y preocupación. Tal vez todo esto fue lo que cimentó mi orgullo, o mejor dicho mi "tozudez", para pelear por lo que consideraba que era un derecho que me había ganado, y que pese a no ser éste mi país, tenía todo el derecho de que se me otorgara esta posibilidad.

Sé que el haberme empleado es en un sentido importante para LASA, ya que es la primera vez que dentro de su personal se encuentra un latinoamericano. Mi lucha individual y mi éxito final nunca hubieran sido posibles sin el total apoyo humano y profesional del director ejecutivo de LASA, Reid Reading, y de mis compañeros Rane Arroyo y Glenn Sheldon, quienes supieron comprenderme y ayudarme en todo momento. Finalmente, quiero agradecerle a mi marido quien, una vez más, supo estar a mi lado, brindándome todo su apoyo, para que pudiéramos resolver este asunto tan importante para mí.

Esta es una suerte de presentación informal ante los miembros de LASA y una invitación a que cualquier inquietud sepan que pueden contactarse conmigo o con el resto del personal, en la sede del Secretariado, en Pittsburgh, donde trataremos, en inglés o en español, de ayudarlos en lo que podamos. ■

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LETTER

To the Latin American Studies Association:

Thank you for sharing with my office LASA's resolution regarding human rights violations against Mexican and Central American citizens.

My office is also concerned about the reported abuses and maltreatment against Mexicans and Central Americans by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and the Border Patrol. Indeed, the reports you cite by Americas Watch and the American Friends Service Committee present disturbing patterns of human rights violations by the INS and Border Patrol staff. Also at issue, as you pointed out, is the failure of federal oversight agencies to fully investigate and prosecute individuals who are charged with committing these violations.

As you know, immigration policy is set at the federal level. Therefore, our office is limited to attempting to influence federal policy to the extent that we can. However, our office does lend various types of support to empower immigrant and Latino communities to improve their living conditions on the border. With regard to this issue, work is being done at the local and federal levels to create independent oversight committees to investigate complaints and issue recommendations to local and federal bodies, respectively. These committees are modeled after local police oversight committees created to monitor abuses by local police. In El Paso, through the initiative of local immigrant advocacy groups like the Diocesan Migrant and Refugee Services (DMRS), a committee comprised of local community leaders has been established to investigate alleged abuses by the Border Patrol and present their findings to the mayor and city council. Also, there is federal legislation that will be introduced to create a similar entity at the federal level that will monitor and investigate INS and Border Patrol violations and also look critically at the investigation and complaint process currently under fire in the reports cited above.

I believe that these efforts could benefit from your organization's expertise and work on this issue. Mr. José Moreno, Executive Director with DMRS and who also sits on our advisory council, has been instrumental in organizing support for these efforts. I recommend that you contact Mr. Moreno at (915) 532-3975 and coordinate your efforts. Thanks again for your letter and keep up the good work.

Ann W. Richards
 Governor
 State of Texas
 March 31, 1993 ■

In memoriam

LEWIS HANKE

Lewis Ulysses Hanke, age 88, died Friday, March 26, 1993, at the Amherst Nursing Home in Amherst, Massachusetts. Hanke was Professor Emeritus of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and was 1989 recipient of LASA's Kalman Silvert Award.

He was born January 2, 1905, in Oregon City, Oregon, the son of William and Mamie (Stevenson) Hanke, and graduated with a Master's Degree from Northwestern University. He was an instructor at the University of Hawaii, 1926-1927, followed by three years as an assistant professor of history at the University of Beirut in Lebanon. After two years of research in the colonial archives of Spain during the 1930s, he returned to the United States and received a Ph.D. in history from Harvard in 1936. In 1939 he became the first Director of the Hispanic Foundation of the Library of Congress in Washington, DC. In 1951 he moved to the University of Texas in Austin as Director of the Institute of Latin American Studies and professor of Latin American history, and later taught at Columbia University and the University of California at Irvine before going to Amherst in 1969. Over the years he trained scores of Latin American historians, many of them now prominent scholars in their own right. He retired from the University of Massachusetts in 1975.

Dr. Hanke was a prolific writer on colonial Latin American history. He was best known for his work on the life and writings of Fray Bartolomé de las Casas, a Spanish priest in the Dominican order who became the Bishop of Chiapas and came to be known as the Defender of the Indians during the early years of the colonial period. In 1935 while at Harvard Hanke published *The First Social Experiments in America: A Study of the Development of Spanish Indian Policy in the Sixteenth Century*. Two other books were *The Spanish Struggle for Justice in the Conquest of America* (1949) and *Aristotle and the American Indians* (1959). He later wrote a three-volume history of Potosí, the silver mining city in Bolivia, and a 14-volume guide to materials in Spanish archives on the Spanish colonial viceroys to 1700. In 1985 he published the five-volume Guide to the *Study of United States' History Outside the U.S., 1945-1980*.

Dr. Hanke was a member of the U.S. delegation at the founding of the United Nations in San Francisco in 1945 and a U.S. delegate to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) during the 1950s.

While at Harvard he was a founder, and served as first editor, of the *Handbook of Latin American Studies* which

recently published its 50th anniversary issue. He was also an editor of the *Hispanic American Historical Review*.

Professor Hanke received the Order of the Andes from the Bolivian Government and was declared an honorary citizen of Potosí, Bolivia, in 1965. He was a member of the Royal Academy of History in Spain and corresponding member of the Royal Historical Society in London. He received honorary degrees from the University of Bahia, Brazil, the Tomás Frias University of Potosí, Bolivia, and the University of Sevilla, Spain. In 1992 he received the Antonio de Nebrija Fifth Centenary Special Prize from the University of Salamanca, Spain, on the 500th anniversary of the compilation of the first Spanish grammar.

He is survived by two sons, Jonathan of Amherst and Peter of Austin, Texas; two daughters, Susan Abouhalhak of Houston, Texas and Joanne Schwarz of Bethesda, Maryland; 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Geneva McDonald of Presque Isle, Maine. His wife, Kate Gilbert Hanke, died March 18th, just eight days prior to Lewis Hanke's passing. ■

Attention LASA Members:

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LASA to Meet in Washington DC in 1995

After the LASA Executive Council decided to cancel plans to hold the XIX International Congress in Denver (see Carmen Diana Deere, "President's Report," in the previous issue of the *LASA Forum*, page 3), it was necessary for us immediately to begin negotiations with hotels in other cities that could accommodate LASA 1995.

The most favorable bid overall was from the Sheraton Washington, District of Columbia, a property given high marks by meeting planners, and one that can easily accommodate a meeting of our size. The bid was accepted by the LASA Executive Council, for the dates of September 28-30, 1995.

Because of a relatively short lead time—LASA usually negotiates more than three years out—the association was fortunate indeed to be able to sign with a suitable hotel over our traditional dates. LASA members, however, may be well advised to do some *financial planning* for the 1995 meeting, since the single/double rate at the Sheraton Washington will be \$135, plus 11 percent tax and an additional \$1.50 per room per night. This contrasts markedly with the proposed Denver rate of \$96.00 plus 12 percent tax.

Given the Sheraton Washington's price structure—typical of those for quality convention hotels in the Washington, DC area, LASA investigated more economical overflow accommodations before making a final decision about Washington. We were able to sign with three overflow properties. Thus, congress attendees pressed for funds can find accommodations a metro stop from the Sheraton Washington for as little as \$33.11 per night, including all taxes, quadruple occupancy. For just over \$10 more per night, the same arrangement can be made in the Sheraton. Complete information about LASA 1995, including accommodations, will be made available to LASA members in the first few months of 1995.

Meanwhile, LASA members not familiar with the Washington Sheraton will be pleased to know that the hotel is located in a pleasant Washington neighborhood and that there is a metro stop just a few yards from the entrance to the Sheraton, affording congress attendees rapid access to points in the capital.

LASA's 1991 Washington area (Crystal City) congress recorded the highest attendance in recent years, and it appears that LASA is not the only association that draws strong meeting registration in Washington. For example, the paid registrations of the Association for Asian Studies (AAS) in Washington in 1984, 1989 and 1992 were 26 percent, 22

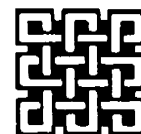
percent and 30 percent higher, respectively, than registrations the year before. (The AAS met in San Francisco in 1983 and 1988, and in New Orleans in 1991). Each time the AAS met in Washington, it reached a new record in registrations. In 1992, the Middle East Studies Association (MESA) attendance in Portland, Oregon, dropped 1,200 from its 2,500 registrations the previous year in Washington. We have every reason to believe, then, that LASA 1995 will be big! See you there.

Meanwhile, we look forward eagerly to LASA 1994 in Atlanta, which may well be LASA's biggest so far, in terms of numbers of panels and workshops—see a brief report on the Atlanta congress on page one of the current *LASA Forum*. Hope to see you there, also! ■

FUND FOR GALLESE FAMILY ESTABLISHED

On May 19, Arturo (Jim) Gallese, Executive Director of la Coordinadora Regional de Investigaciones Económicas y Sociales (CRIES) died in the crash of a SAM Colombian jetliner enroute to Bogotá. Funeral services were held in Managua and memorial services in New Orleans and Washington DC.

An emergency fund has been set up to assist Arturo's young family. All those who knew Arturo are requested to help, if possible, by sending a donation made out to "Twomey Center/Jim Gallese Fund" to Twomey Center for Peace through Justice, Loyola University, Box 12, 6363 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA 70119. For more information, call (504) 861-5830.



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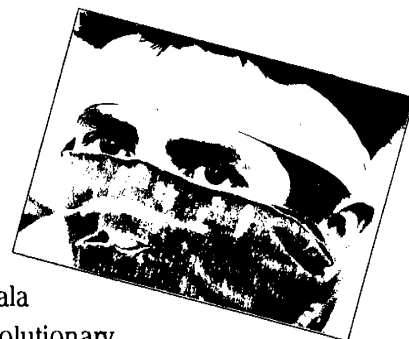
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**1993 American Sociological Association
Meeting in Miami Beach Highlights
Latin American Sociology**

by
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Like other discipline-based professional organizations, the American Sociological Association (ASA) has rarely paid close attention to the development of the field outside of the United States and Western Europe. Latin America and Caribbean sociology, in particular, have been nearly invisible in ASA journals and meetings. As a result, many U.S. sociologists who are area studies specialists have felt more at home in organizations like LASA, contributing, in turn, to the familiar and enduring gap in U.S. social science between the academic "mainstream" and area studies.

This year, however, the 88th Annual Meeting of the ASA, scheduled for August 13-17, 1993, in Miami Beach, breaks with the pattern. Under the meeting theme "Transitions to Democracy," selected by ASA President Seymour Martin Lipset, more than 20 sociologists from Latin American and Caribbean countries have accepted invitations to take part in featured panels and special sessions. Headlining the group is the region's best known sociologist, Brazilian Finance Minister Fernando Henrique Cardoso, who will address a plenary session on "Democratic Transformations."

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A number of thematic panels will focus specifically on issues of democracy in the region, with presentations by Renato Boschi (Brazil), Hubert Cartón de Granmont (Mexico), Marcelo Cavarozzi (Mexico), Eli Diniz (Brazil), Vilmar Faria (Brazil), Manuel Antonio Garretón (Chile), Matilde Luna and Cristina Puga (Mexico), Torcuato di Tella (Argentina), and Carlos Vilas (Mexico). A special session on "Revisiting Theories of Race and Ethnic Relations in the Caribbean" will include papers by Selwyn Ryan (Jamaica) and Clive Thomas (Guyana), while another on "Gender Relations in Caribbean Families" will feature presentations by Alice Colón (Puerto Rico), Consuelo Martín (Cuba), and Arjelja Tejada (Dominican Republic).

To widen the regional impact, program organizers also sought to place several Latin American participants on panels with a broader focus. These scholars include Viviane Brachet-Márquez (Mexico) in an "Author Meets Critics"

roundtable on development, Jorge Bustamante (Mexico) in a thematic session on immigration, Heriberta Castañón-Lomnitz (Mexico) in a session on "Disasters and Social Change," Julio Cotler (Peru) in a thematic panel on "Theory of Transition," and Elizabeth Jelín (Argentina) in a panel on "The Historical Formation of Nation and Citizen."

The insertion of Latin American and Caribbean issues and participants into the Miami Beach program was carried out by a group of sociologists who have formed the ASA Ad Hoc Committee for Latin American and Caribbean Sociology. Members of the committee are Diane Davis, New School for Social Research; Rosario Espinal, Temple University; Mauricio Font, Queens College and Graduate Center; Lisa Fuentes, American University; Doug Kincaid, Florida International University; and Gil Merckx, University of New Mexico.

Partial funding for the travel expenses of the Latin American and Caribbean participants in the ASA meeting has been provided through a grant to the ASA from the North-South Center at the University of Miami.

Encouraged by the response to this year's international initiative, the ASA has begun to plan for a similar effort for its 1994 meeting in Los Angeles targeted at East Asian scholars. At the same time, Los Angeles should provide as well a convenient venue for pursuing further exchange with Latin American colleagues, following what promises to be an exciting gathering this year in Miami. ■

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LASA Task Force on Haiti Statement of Mission

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Rationale

The struggle to re-install the deposed Aristide as President of Haiti has vaulted Haiti into the headlines and increased the country's importance within and even beyond Latin America. The continuing efforts of Haitians to flee their country and the barriers imposed on them by the U.S. government have summoned further attention from the media, governments, and some scholars.

Yet, LASA and its membership have devoted relatively little attention to Haiti. The 1992 Congress in Los Angeles had only one session on Haiti, compared to nearly a dozen each on El Salvador or Guatemala. Moreover, the single session on Haiti was scheduled for the last day, when many Congress participants were already headed for home.

One result has been that scholars of Haiti have had little interest in LASA. Virtually none of the members of the Haitian Studies Association are members of LASA. The Caribbean Studies Association and even the American Anthropological Association are likely to devote more attention to Haiti than LASA. Haitian scholars thus operate somewhat in a vacuum, relatively isolated from other Latin American scholars addressing frequently identical issues in different national contexts.

Haiti deserves better, not only because of its contemporary struggles and issues, but also for its historical significance as the site of the first successful slave revolt, the first Black Republic in the Western Hemisphere, and the first independent nation in Latin America and the Caribbean. Haiti's importance lies not only in its string of singular successes, but also because it is an integral segment of the broader region. Its current political struggles have parallels in El Salvador, Chile and other Latin American nations. Haitian refugees affect politics in the Bahamas, the United States, and even Cuba. Moreover, Haitian refugees evoke many of the same issues as El Salvadorans and Nicaraguans in Mexico and the U.S. Yet, the low profile of Haiti in LASA deters scholars from exploring and understanding these links.

Thus, the general goal of the Haiti Task Force will be to promote scholarship on Haiti within a Latin American context. It will seek to integrate scholarship on Haiti more deeply into LASA and the academic community of Latin Americanists by reaching out to LASA members who have

not previously had the opportunity to work in Haiti or on Haitian issues and to Haitianists who have not participated at all or fully in LASA. The formation of a LASA Task Force on Haiti will seek to improve research conditions for those studying Haiti and scholarly relations between scholars in the U.S., Haiti, and other parts of Latin America. It will promote not only the exchange of scholars and scholarship, but also the development of a new generation of scholars of Haiti and comparativists who incorporate Haiti. We expect these efforts to be beneficial not only to general scholars of, and scholarship on, Latin America and Haiti, but also to students of Haitian descent in the U.S. and elsewhere.

Proposed Activities

A. Facilitate the participation of Haitian scholars and scholars of Haiti in LASA Congresses and other scholarly events in which LASA members participate.

B. Facilitate access by Haitian scholars to U.S. universities and other research institutions by providing assistance and guidance in obtaining contacts, invitations, funding, and visas.

C. Organize meetings between scholars of Haiti and scholars of other parts of Latin America working on issues of immediate importance to Haiti, particularly those concerning democracy and development, the role of the military, amnesty, and the role of universities. If possible, some of these meetings would take place in Haiti, so that participating LASA members could more concretely appreciate the Haitian context.

D. Facilitate access of LASA members to Haiti, particularly through study tours to Haiti composed of LASA members. Haitian scholars would direct the tours and introduce the study tour participants to the individuals, institutions, and geographic areas of importance to both Haitians and LASA scholars. These would most likely include social, political, economic, and cultural topics and address, for example, issues such as democracy, development, and migration. If there is sufficient interest of the LASA membership, additional trips could intensively address more focused issues, such as economics and rural poverty, the conditions promoting international migration and the treatment of returnees, education and vocational training, political development and public administration.

E. Publicize information regarding the status of Haitian universities, academic freedom, human rights issues, and refugees among the LASA membership.

The LASA Task Force on Scholarly Relations with Haiti is constituted by: Alex Stepick, co-chair, Sociology & Anthropology, Florida International University, University Park, Miami, FL 32199; Suzy Castor, co-chair, CRESFED, 14 Rot Camille Leon, Port-au-Prince, Haiti; Josh DeWind, CUNY; Alex Dupuy, Wesleyan University; Robert Stark, PACCA; and, Michele Zebich-Knos, Kennesaw State College, Georgia. ■

A Request from the Center for Middle Eastern Studies University of Arizona

As part of the special programming that is being planned for the 1994 Middle East Studies Association meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, the University of Arizona Center for Middle Eastern Studies intends to organize two or more special panels devoted to Latin American scholarship in the Middle East. Scholars are to be invited from Latin America, and all areas of Middle Eastern Studies—from the advent of Islam and including all geographical regions under the influence of Middle Eastern civilizations—are of interest to us.

We have had difficulty identifying such scholars; any names, addresses, and other relevant information that LASA members could provide us would be very much appreciated.

Please send information to: Jerrold D. Green, Director, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721. Telephone: (602) 621-5450; fax: (602) 621-9257; Internet: JGREEN@CCIT.ARIZONA.EDU. ■

Microfilm Collections by Georgette M. Dorn Library of Congress, Hispanic Division

The Library of Congress Hispanic Division and the Hispanic Acquisitions Section, EG&G, assembled a collection entitled *Mexican and Central American Political and Social Ephemera 1980-1991*, which was organized and cataloged by Brian Belanger, now at St. Anselm's College, Manchester, NH. The collection contains pamphlets, campaign literature, broadsides, flyers, newsletters, and limited serials. Issues covered include publications of women's and students' groups, public health and AIDS support services, and church work among the poor.

The Mexican materials reflect the widening of political power and the emergence of new parties and coalitions. Common themes in the Central American portion are human rights, political torture, the question of "disappeared" persons, persecution, and violence.

The collection of 3,112 items, which also includes posters, is now available in 44 positive micro film reels (order number, Microfilm 92/4660MRR). The set is broken down into the following, which may be acquired individually: Mexican politics (reels 1-15), Mexican social conditions (reels 16-26), Central America—not including Nicaragua (reels 27-35), Nicaragua (reels 36-43) and Posters (reels 44). The complete collection costs \$1,300.00, while individual reels cost \$30.00 (North American orders) and \$35.00 (other countries). These prices include postage. Please send purchase orders to: Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Washington, DC 20540-5230. ■

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN CUBA

The Cuban Studies Program at the Johns Hopkins University, in conjunction with the Ford Foundation, is accepting applications for research fellowships in Cuba during the calendar year 1994. Graduate students and those who have completed graduate degrees are eligible.

Special consideration will be given to projects in the fields of public health, protection of the environment and interdiction of drug trafficking, though projects in more traditional fields also are welcome.

Applications and supporting documents must be submitted to the program by *October 1, 1993*. Applicants will be informed of the board's decisions by mid-December.

The fellowships will include round-trip transportation to Cuba as well as a \$50 per day stipend for a two to four week period. All fellowship recipients are required to write a paper on their topic of study upon return to the U.S. (Note: Most applicants will find that the stipend does not quite cover living expenses in Havana and will have to supplement from their own funds.)

For additional information and application forms, write to:

Dr. Wayne S. Smith
Johns Hopkins University
1740 Massachusetts Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20036

PUBLICATIONS

Announcing a special issue of *Callaloo* on Puerto Rican Women: Art and original writings, photography, translations, literary and cultural criticism. Manuscripts should be less than 25 pages (double-spaced), in English, and should follow the latest edition of the MLA Style Manual. Send submissions, including slides and photographs, to the Guest Editor at the address below before *August 15, 1993*. Solicitamos contribuciones de arte, fotografía, escritos originales, traducciones, ensayos críticos sobre literatura y cultura para una edición especial de *Callaloo* dedicada a la mujer puertorriqueña. Envíe manuscritos escritos en o traducidos al inglés, transparencias, y fotografías antes del *15 de agosto 1993* a: Consuelo López Springfield, Women's Studies Program, Indiana University, Memorial Hall East, Room 130, Bloomington, IN 47405. Telephone: (812) 855-0676; fax: (812) 855-4869; Bitnet: CSPRINGF@IUBACS.

The Conference of Latin Americanist Geographers (CLAG) will publish its tenth *Yearbook* in 1994. The *Yearbook* is a peer-reviewed publication which publishes original manuscripts dealing with a wide range of topics concerning Latin America and Latin Americans. Submissions from scholars of all social science and humanities disciplines whose work relates to issues of space, place and cultural processes in the widest sense of that term are encouraged. The deadline for submission of manuscripts for the 1994 volume is *October 30, 1993*. Manuscripts in English, Spanish and Portuguese are welcome. For further information on the preparation and the submission of manuscripts please contact: Dr. David J. Robinson, Editor, *CLAG Yearbook 1994*, Department of Geography, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13244-1160. Bitnet: DJROBINS@SUVM.

International Issues: *Current World Leaders*, published for 36 years, is accepting papers for publication in 1994. Each of three "International Issues" (formerly "Biography & News/Speeches & Reports") issues will focus on a specific topic: "Religion and Politics" for April, "Human Rights" for August, and "Political Corruption/Ethics in Politics" for December. We intend to cover at least two, and preferably several, perspectives on each topic. For example, the issue on "Political Corruption/Ethics in Politics" might have one article justifying the occasional lie in politics while another criticizes lying in politics for any reason. It might also contain an article presenting a cross cultural analysis of types of political corruption. We are calling for previously unpublished papers that present a particular point of view on the topics described above. Articles should be between 4,500 and 10,000 words long. We also welcome suggestions for other topics. For more information including deadlines and a styleguide write: Thomas S. Garrison, Editorial Director *Current World Leaders*, 800 Garden Street, Suite D, Santa Barbara, CA 93101. Telephone: 805-965-5010; fax: 805-965-6071. IGC e-mail: iasb; Bitnet: 3004MF@UCSBUXA.

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is pleased to announce the *Media Log*, a comprehensive guide to film, television, and radio programs funded by the Humanities Projects in Media. Three-hundred new programs have been added since the last edition. The *Media Log* lists more than 800 film, television, and radio programs supported by the NEH. Each entry includes a brief description of each production, along with information on how to obtain the specific programs. The programs can be used as learning tools in schools, colleges, museums and libraries. Community and civic groups, and professional organizations and associations may want to use the films at special events or functions. The *Media Log* is free from NEH while supplies last. For a complimentary copy, write: *Media Log*, NEH Public Information Office, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Room 407, Washington, DC 20506.

The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), which also functions as the WHO Regional Office for the Americas, publishes periodic data reviews and analyses of major environmental issues which may have a potential and widespread impact on human health. As part of this program, a document entitled *Pesticides and Health in the America* has recently been published both in English and Spanish. In this document, the results of a number of epidemiological and other studies carried out in Latin America are summarized. The information presented, although quite extensive, represents studies done under different conditions and sometimes with differing approaches. However, it shows unequivocally that substantial segments of the population have significant exposures to pesticides, frequently involving high percentages of intoxications. The persons most directly affected are agricultural workers, particularly women and minors, and more generally all people living in agricultural areas. Requests for complimentary copies of the document may be sent to: Division of Health and Environment, Pan American Health Organization, Attention: Dr. Henk de Koning, 525-23rd St. NW, Washington, DC 20037. ■

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RESEARCH AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Rockefeller Foundation Fellowships at the University of Florida's Center for Latin American Studies and the Center for African Studies invite junior and senior scholars to participate in an interdisciplinary program on Afro-American identity and cultural diversity in the Americas, including the Caribbean, Brazil, and the U.S. as well as the sending areas of Africa. The program will enable visiting scholars in the humanities to spend a year or a semester at the University of Florida to do research in this area. The University of Florida has a large faculty specializing in Latin America, the Caribbean and Africa, as well as outstanding library collections in each of these areas. Building on these strengths, the program will focus on three interrelated issues, each of which will be emphasized in a different year, in the following sequence: 1) (1993-94) the intersection of race, class and gender migration; 2) (1994-95) studies in literature, religion and popular culture which reveal the ways in which Afro-American culture has transcended national boundaries and brought together people living in different regions; 3) (1995-96) studies on historical processes of adaptation to the physical environment through research on material culture, ecological systems and the built environment. Each fellow will receive a maximum stipend of \$35,000 for the academic year, or half that for the semester. Applicants will be selected on a competitive basis related to their expertise and research in these areas. By *February 3, 1994*, candidates should submit (1) a 100-word abstract, (2) an essay of approximately 1500 words detailing the proposed research, (3) a full-curriculum vitae, and (4) two letters of recommendation. Inquiries and completed applications should be addressed to: Dr. Helen Safa, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-2037. Telephone: (904) 392-0375; fax: (904) 392-7682. Fellows for 1994-95 will be announced about April 1, 1994, and will be expected to take up residence for the Fall semester by the end of the following August.

Charlotte W. Newcombe Dissertation Year Fellowships are designed to encourage original and significant study of ethical or religious values in all fields of the humanities and social sciences. In addition to topics in religious studies or in ethics (philosophical or religious), dissertations might consider the ethical implications of foreign policy, the values influencing political decisions, the moral codes of other cultures, and religious or ethical issues reflected in history or literature. Applicants must be candidates for Ph.D. or Th.D. degrees in doctoral programs at graduate schools in the United States. Candidates must fulfill all pre-dissertation requirements by November 30, 1993, including approval of the dissertation prospectus, and expect to submit completed dissertations by August, 1995. These awards are not intended to finance field work or research but rather the last full year of dissertation writing. Eligible proposals are those that have ethical or religious values as a central concern.

Selection committees will look for proposals that illuminate religious or ethical questions of broad significance and elucidate the ways in which these values do or should inform choices and give meaning to people's lives. All application requests must be postmarked by *November 19, 1993*. All applications and prospectuses must be postmarked by *December 13, 1993*. Applications being mailed from outside the United States or Canada must be postmarked by *November 29, 1993*. Notification of awards will be made in April, 1994. Tenure of awards begins in June or September, 1994. Application forms may be requested from: Newcombe Dissertation Fellowships, The Woodrow Wilson, National Fellowship Foundation, CN 5281, Princeton, NJ 08543-5281.

Graduate Student Research Assistantship for Travel to Cuba, August 5-23, 1993. Qualifications: Currently enrolled graduate student, completely bilingual (and willing and able to translate for North American colleagues). Award: Roundtrip airfare to Cuba from Miami, one week of research time, and meals and accommodations in Cuba (17 days). Duties: Ten days' work as translator and assistant to project director for two separate groups of social scientists visiting Cuba: August 5-10 and August 18-23. Research opportunity: One week free time for research: August 11-18. Please note that the dates are determined by the projects involved and are thus unable to change to accommodate assistantship applicants. Possibilities do exist, however, for extending the applicant's stay in Cuba beyond the project dates if warranted by the research proposal. Collegial support from University of Havana faculty. Application: Letter of interest, short proposal (500 words) which indicates personal goals for research in Cuba and how they relate to current graduate work. Direct inquiries to project director: Dr. Richard A. Dello Buono, Sociology and Latin American Studies, Rosary College, 7900 West Division St., River Forest, IL 60305.

The Centro de Estudios Puertorriqueños, Hunter College/CUNY, is offering two Rockefeller Residency Fellowships in the Humanities for 1994-1995. The theme of the Fellowship is "Claiming Social Equity and Cultural Rights." This year's focus is Histories and Discourses of Group Poverty. The objective of the Centro's Rockefeller Fellowship Program is to advance comparative critical analysis of the following questions: How are claims for social equity and cultural rights among disenfranchised "cultural communities" asserted in a variety of national and international contexts? How do demands for equity, historically and at the present moment, challenge or otherwise engage hegemonic cultural theories, discourses, and national policies? The Centro is the principal U.S. center of research on the Puerto Rican experience. It offers visiting fellows a collective, interdisciplinary, and comparative structure for work. The Centro is linked to a wide network of Latino and other research institutions in the

United States, Latin America, and the Caribbean, and provides fellows with an opportunity to draw on the unique resources of the New York area. Applications for the fellowships are invited from academic and independent scholars. Applicants should have an in-depth knowledge of at least one "minority" experience. Projects should advance interdisciplinary and cross-cultural approaches to the designated theme. Preference will be given to those who are empirically grounded and theoretically promising. Awards cannot be made for dissertation research, advanced training, curriculum or textbook projects, or for the writing of poetry or fiction. All fellows must be in full-time residence (from September 1-June 30) at the Centro for the entire period of their award. They will benefit from an unusual collective, comparative, and interdisciplinary context for research, and will be expected to actively participate in the activities of the Centro and Hunter College. They will use the residency to produce a publishable manuscript. Fellows will receive a stipend of \$34,000 plus up to \$3,000 for extra costs of relocation, health benefits, housing, and non-CUNY library privileges. In special cases, semester awards may be made. For information and application materials, please write: Dr. Antonio Lauria and Dr. Rina Benmayor, Co-Directors, Centro de Estudios Puertorriqueños, Hunter College/CUNY, 695 Park Ave., Box 548, New York, NY 10021. Fax: (212) 772-4348; or, telephone: Ms. Ana Juarbe, Program Coordinator (212) 772-5687.

Institute for Advanced Study announces memberships for one or two terms in the School of Historical Studies. The School is concerned principally with the history of western and near eastern civilization, with particular emphasis upon Greek and Roman civilization, the history of Europe, Islamic culture, and the history of art. The only obligation of visiting members is to pursue their own research, but they may participate, if they wish, in seminars and meetings both within the Institute and at nearby universities, and there are ample opportunities for contacts with other scholars. Approximately 40 visiting members are chosen each year, including both senior and junior scholars, American and foreign nationals. The Ph.D. (or equivalent) and substantial publications are required of all candidates. They may receive member awards funded by the Institute for Advanced Study or, when eligible, by the National Endowment for the Humanities and other sources. Application forms may be obtained from (and should be returned to the Administrative Officer by *October 15, 1993*): Administrative Officer, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ 08540.

Institute for Advanced Study announces two-year membership program for 1994-96 in the School of Historical Studies for assistant professors at universities and colleges in the United States and Canada. The purpose is to support promising young scholars who have embarked on professional careers and who plan to return to their positions. While at the Institute they will be expected to produce substantial

scholarly writings, which may be taken into account in the tenure decisions at their home institutions. All assistant professors in the areas and disciplines represented by the School of Historical Studies (Greek and Roman civilization, the history of Europe, Islamic culture, and the history of art) may apply provided (a) they will have served at the time of their arrival at least two and not more than four years as assistant professors in institutions of higher learning in the United States or Canada and (b) they submit a written assurance from their dean or departmental chair that they may return to their positions after the membership at the Institute for Advanced Study. Appointments will be for two successive years (September through April) at the Institute for Advanced Study, with the intervening summer, and will carry all the privileges of members at the Institute, including the right to rent an Institute apartment. The stipend will match the combined salary and fringe benefits at the member's home institution. In addition to the assurance from the dean or departmental chair, mentioned above, applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, a bibliography of publications and a concise account (not over three pages) of the work to be performed during the tenure of the membership. Copies of published writings should be submitted, and additional documentation (such as a copy of the thesis) may be requested. Awards will be announced before the end of the year. Application forms may be obtained from (and should be returned to the Administrative Officer by *November 1, 1993*): Administrative Officer, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ 08540.

John Carter Brown Library will award approximately fifteen short- and long-term Research Fellowships for the year June 1, 1994-May 31, 1995. Short-term fellowships are available for periods of two to four months and carry a stipend of \$1,000 per month. These fellowships are open to foreign nationals as well as to U.S. citizens who are engaged in pre- and postdoctoral, or independent, research. Graduate students must have passed their preliminary or general examinations at the time of application. Long-term fellowships, funded by the NEH, are for six months and carry a stipend of approximately \$2,500 per month. Applicants for NEH fellowships may not be engaged in graduate work and must be U.S. citizens or have resided in the U.S. for the three years immediately preceding the term of the fellowship. Research proposed by fellowship applicants must be suited to the holdings of the Library. All fellows are expected to be in continuous residence at the Library for the entire term of the fellowship; several short-term fellowships have thematic restrictions. For scholars wishing to work at the Library for a period of two to seven weeks, the Library offers a limited number of travel reimbursement grants of up to \$500. For scholars from Spanish America only, the Library offers Cassiet Travel Grants, with reimbursements up to \$2,000. The application deadline for fellowships during the 1994-95 year is *January 15, 1994*. Travel grants may be applied for year round, allowing four months lead time. For

application forms and fuller information, write to: Director, John Carter Brown Library, Box 1894, Providence, RI 02912.

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Study Grants provide six weeks of support for college and university teachers of the humanities to undertake independent, full-time study of significant texts and topics in the humanities. The aim is to rekindle the teacher's engagement with the humanities. Projects are for intensive study rather than research intended for publication. Study is usually in the summer; award amount is \$3,000. The next postmark deadline is *August 16, 1993*. Decisions will be announced by March 1, 1994, and projects will, with few exceptions, be undertaken in the summer of 1994. For application booklet, including eligibility requirements and criteria for selection, write or call: Study Grants, Room 316, Division of Fellowships and Seminars, NEH, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20506. Telephone: (202) 606-8463.

The **National Humanities Center** is an institute for advanced study in history, philosophy, languages and literature, and other fields in the liberal arts. Representatives of the arts, the natural and social sciences, and the professions may apply to pursue humanistic work at the Center. Scholars from any nation may apply. Applicants must hold a doctorate or have equivalent professional accomplishments. The Center awards fellowships to senior scholars of recognized accomplishment and to promising younger scholars. Fellowships are for the academic year (September through May). Stipends are individually determined, depending on the needs of each Fellow and the Center's ability to meet them. In most cases the Center cannot replace full salary. The Center provides round-trip travel for Fellows and their immediate families. Application deadline for the academic year 1994-95 is *October 15, 1993*. The National Humanities Center does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, or national or ethnic origin. For application material, write to: Fellowship Program, National Humanities Center, P.O. Box 12256, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2256.

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars offers fellowships in the Humanities and Social Sciences 1994-1995. Located on the Mall in Washington, DC, the Center awards approximately 35 residential fellowships each year for advanced research in the humanities and social sciences. Men and women from any country and from a wide variety of backgrounds (including government, the corporate world, and the professions, as well as academe) may apply. Applicants must hold a doctorate or have equivalent professional accomplishments. Fellows are provided offices, access to the Library of Congress, computers or manuscript typing services, and research assistants. The Center publishes selected works written at the Center through the Woodrow Wilson Center Press. Fellowships are normally for an academic year. In determining stipends, the Center seeks to

follow the principle of no gain/no loss in terms of a Fellow's previous year's salary. However, in no case can the Center's stipend exceed \$56,000. Travel expenses are provided. The application deadline is *October 1, 1993*. For application materials, write to: Fellowships Office, Woodrow Wilson Center, 1000 Jefferson Dr. SW, Washington, DC 20560. Telephone: (202) 357-2841.

Beginning with the 1994-95 academic year, the broad theme for the Colloquia Series of the **Yale University Program in Agrarian Studies**, will be "Hinterlands, Frontiers, Cities, and States: Transactions and Identities." We intend to examine, comparatively, from the broadest perspective, the various distinctions different societies make between, say, frontier, wilderness, arable countryside, city, town, agriculture, commerce, hills, lowlands, maritime districts, and inland—and the weight given them. We believe this theme, broadly conceived, offers promising terrain for collaboration between humanists and social scientists and between students of western and non-western societies. The Program will offer a limited number of Research Fellowships, normally for one academic year. We expect that half of our Fellows will come from Africa, Asia and Latin America. Younger scholars as well as established scholars are encouraged to apply. Research interests in line with the theme are desirable but not required. Applicants must have finished their dissertation and have a full-time paid position to which they can return. Fellows are expected to live in New Haven in order to take an active part in the intellectual exchange with other members of the Program. Funds are limited and candidates are, therefore, strongly encouraged to apply to other granting institutions as well as to the Program. A first-stage application for a Fellowship consists of a curriculum vitae and a description (no more than two pages in length) of the research project to be pursued. The first stage application must arrive at Yale no later than *January 3, 1994*. All inquiries and applications should be addressed to: M.K. Mansfield, Program in Agrarian Studies, Yale University, Box 3075 Yale Station, New Haven, CT 06520. ■

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Jornadas Andinas de Literatura Latinoamericana (JALLA)
La Paz, Bolivia, 19-23 de agosto de 1993. Interesados e interesadas contactarse con: Elizabeth Monasterios, Languages & Literatures, SUNY, Stony Brook, NY 11794; William Spindler, 30D Hillmarten, London N79JF U.K.; Rosario Rodríguez, Casilla 8991 La Paz, Bolivia. Teléfono: 591-2-32-87-44 o 591-2-35-95-65; fax: 591-2-35-94-91; Ricardo Kaliman, 24 de septiembre 210, 4000 Tucumán, Argentina; Raúl Vallejo, Apdo. Postal 17-12-569, Quito, Ecuador.

The **Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies (MACLAS)** will hold its annual meeting on the campus of Keane College, Union, New Jersey, on April 8 & 9, 1994. Local arrangements are being handled by Eufronio Carreño, Department of Economics, Keane College, Union, NJ 07083, Panel proposals and sessions are now being accepted in all disciplines.

The 1993 Annual Meeting of the **New England Council of Latin American Studies (NECLAS)** will be held at the Salomon Center at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, on Saturday, October 2, 1993. Regina Cortina, Center for Latin American Studies at Brown, is in charge of local arrangements. There will be a book sale and exhibit at the meeting. Anyone interested in including their books should contact, in writing: Professor Cortina, The Center for Latin American Studies, Brown University, P.O. Box 1866, Providence, RI 02912. Professor Elizabeth Mahan (Director of the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies at the University of Connecticut, Storrs, and president of NECLAS) is in charge of the program for the meeting. To receive registration information, contact: Susan C. Bourque, NECLAS Secretary-Treasurer, c/o Department of Government, Smith College, 138 Elm Street, Northampton, MA 01063. Telephone: (413) 585-3591; fax: (413) 585-3593.

The **New England Historical Association (NEHA)** seeks papers or panels on any historic topic or time period for possible presentation at the spring meeting on April 23, 1994, at Bentley College in Waltham, Massachusetts. Submissions must be received by January 15, 1994. For more information, contact: NEHA Executive Secretary Peter Holloran, Pine Manor College, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167.

The **Princeton Program in Latin American Studies** is sponsoring the conference "Fin de siglo/Final del imperio: The Caribbean Between Empires," to be held on the Princeton University campus May 5-7, 1994. The symposium has been conceived as a first meeting of scholars from various disciplines in order to stimulate new research on the end of the nineteenth century in the Caribbean, a period that marked the end of the Spanish empire, and other significant

political and cultural transformations in the area. We look forward to further symposia in anticipation of 1998, the centennial of the Spanish/Cuban/American war, which consolidated the presence of the United States as the dominant power in the area. Confirmed speakers to date include Antonio Benítez Rojo (Amherst College), Rebecca Scott (University of Michigan), Josep Fradera (Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona), Louis A. Pérez, Jr., (University of South Florida), Gervasio García (Universidad de Puerto Rico/Río Piedras), and Natalie Zemon Davis, Arnold Rampersad, and Cornel West (Princeton University). The program co-organizers are Professors Arcadio Díaz-Quiñones and León François Hoffman of the Department of Romance Languages & Literatures at Princeton. You can be put on the mailing list for announcements regarding this program (and others) by calling or writing to: Ms. Rose Rivera, Program in Latin American Studies, the Joseph Henry House, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08544. Telephone: (609) 258-4148; fax: (609) 258-0113.

El Programa Cuba de la Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO) y la Universidad de La Habana convocan a participar en el debate sobre el socialismo cubano en la actualidad, sus perspectivas y desafíos. Se espera el intercambio con académicos interesados en debatir teóricamente sobre el socialismo, y en conocer la realidad cubana. El evento "El Socialismo Cubano Hoy," trabajará una sesión diaria del 4 al 8 de octubre de 1993, de 9:00AM a 1:00PM, incluyendo el debate sobre la teoría marxista contemporánea, la vigencia del socialismo como proyecto, el análisis de las experiencias socialistas del este europeo, y la discusión sobre los retos y perspectivas del socialismo cubano. Para los egresados de FLACSO-Cuba, se programan tres sesiones de debate, en el horario de 3:00PM a 5:00PM, con el objetivo de evaluar las experiencias de forma conjunta, y trazar posibles nexos de colaboración futura y valorar la creación de una red internacional de comunicación permanente. Los precios del evento serán de \$25.USD diarios en habitaciones dobles con desayuno y una comida en la Villa Universitaria o el Residencial "El Lago" y cuota de inscripción de \$60.USD. Los que así lo deseen pueden contratar alojamiento económico en hoteles cerca de la Universidad de La Habana por Marazul Tours, Inc. (1-800-223-5334). Los interesados en participar pueden dirigirse a: Programa FLACSO-Cuba, Edificio Varona, Universidad de La Habana, San Lázaro y L, Havana 4, Cuba; or in North America: Dr. Richard A. Dello Buono, Sociology Department, Rosary College, 7900 West Division St., River Forest, IL 60305, U.S.A. Telephone: (708) 524-6778; fax: (708) 366-5360; Internet: ROSARY@IGC.APC.ORG.

Seminario Permanente de Investigación Agraria (SEPIA) will be holding its fifth bi-annual meeting in Arequipa, Peru, August 26-28, 1993. The themes of the conference are: Transformations in rural society, Stabilization policy, Structural adjustment and the agricultural sector, and Natural resources, the environment, technology and development. For more information, write: SEPIA, Sucre 183, of. 202, Lima 18, Peru.

You are invited to propose ideas for symposia, to volunteer to organize a symposium, or to offer a paper for the 1994 Conference of the **Society for Latin American Studies**. Items already suggested to the Secretary include the following: Transitions to Democracy, Gender in Latin America, Environmental Politics, Ethnic Mobilisation and the State, Latin American History, and Information Technology for Latin Americanists. Please express your views about the adoption or rejection of any item on this list. The form and content of the conference will be determined in light of your response. The Secretary would welcome your opinion on the kind of conference you would like (number of symposia running simultaneously, length of symposia, length of papers, time for discussion, etc.). The Conference will be held at the University of Liverpool from the afternoon of Friday, March 25, 1994 until the afternoon of Sunday, March 27, 1994. It will be accommodated in Dale Hall (situated in pleasant parkland three miles south of the city center). Offers, ideas and proposals should reach me preferably by *September 15, 1993*, but by *November 1, 1993* at the latest; for registration forms, and more details about the conference, write: Peter Beardsell, Hon. Sec. SLAS, Department of Hispanic Studies, The University of Hull, Hull HU6 7RX, United Kingdom.

The 1993 **Union for Democratic Communication (UDC)** will hold its annual conference in Cuba on December 2-6, 1993. It will be hosted by the International School of Film and TV, located just outside the town of San Antonio de los Baños, 20 miles southeast of Havana. The conference theme is "Media Culture & Popular Hegemony: A Pan American Dialogue." Bilingual panels on Cuban film, TV, radio, music and print media will be featured along with panels and workshops organized by UDC participants. Gabriel García Márquez is tentatively scheduled as keynoter. Conference participants will stay at the school's faculty apartment complex and eat in the main dining hall. Conference costs are \$200 for room and meals at the school (Dec. 2-6) and a \$100 registration fee, which covers translators, cultural events, keynote speaker and ground transportation. The educational mission of this conference makes it legal for UDC to hold such an event in Cuba and for U.S. citizens to attend, despite the ongoing U.S. blockade. Educational activities based on the free exchange of information are exempt from Treasury Department blockade sanctions. For further information on the conference, contact: Bill Barlow,

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Laura Enriquez and Jack Spence, co-chairs, is seeking to establish an election observation team for the March 1994 elections in El Salvador with a possible runoff a few weeks later.

The elections are scheduled for the Sunday following the LASA Conference in Atlanta (March 20, 1994). As was our practice for the 1990 Nicaraguan elections, we plan to have several site visits in the months preceding the election, hopefully beginning this August. We have no money as yet to fund this process.

If you would be interested in serving on this observation team, please write to: *(before September 1)* Jack Spence, Political Science Department, University of Massachusetts/Boston, Boston, MA 02125; *(after September 1)* Laura Enriquez, Department of Sociology, 410 Barrows Hall, University of California/Berkeley, Berkeley, CA 94720.

Please indicate your time availability for site visits between now and the election; also indicate whether you could acquire all or part of your funding.

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The information should be sent to: Iralda Lopez, Coordinator, CUNY-Caribbean Exchange, Box 548, Hunter College, 695 Park Avenue, New York NY 10021.



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