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President's Report

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The LASA Endowment Campaign has been underway for nine months, and significant strides have been made. LASA now boasts a total of 23 Life Members. Many of those who have not yet become Life Members have made generous contributions. Carmen Diana Deere, Past President and Chair of LASA's Development Committee, has been working tirelessly with Sandy Klinzing, LASA's Assistant Director for Institutional Advancement, to contact our higher-income members and urge their support for our campaign. Also, you should have received a LASA membership questionnaire, in which we seek your input into our campaign strategy. To date, over 1,000 members have returned the questionnaires, and the responses have been very helpful.

However, the campaign did suffer a setback: on December 1, LASA's proposal for an Endowment Challenge Grant to the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) was denied. Our proposal survived to the very last round of the competition; one of the factors in the denial appears to have been budget cutbacks suffered by NEH. Although we have not yet received the written comments about the proposal, NEH's staffperson suggested that continuing doubts about LASA's commitment to the humanities and about our ability to meet our fund-raising goals were the primary reasons behind the denial. In early February, the LASA Executive Council will meet, and a key item on the agenda will be how we will modify our campaign strategy given NEH's decision. In any case, we are committed to forwarding the campaign, with or without NEH.

We have been working hard to strengthen LASA's financial base in other ways as well. Under the direction of Sandy Klinzing, our procedures for membership retention and recruitment have been enhanced; one happy result is that we have an all-time high of 3,382 members. Our previous all-time high was 3,167 in 1992. In accord with our commitment to The Ford Foundation, we will be making a special

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Eleventh Annual LASA Field Seminar in Nicaragua June 20-30, 1995

Professor Richard Stahler-Sholk will conduct the eleventh annual Latin American Studies Association summer field seminar in Nicaragua, June 20-30, 1995. The seminar is designed for Latin American generalists, Nicaragua specialists, and advanced graduate students.

The program is intended to give LASA scholars a close-up view of the complex reality of Nicaragua today. Participants will have interviews and discussions with leading political, cultural and social actors across the political spectrum.

To facilitate research and to encourage ongoing work in this area, the group will be introduced to people, institutions, organizations, resources, protocols and methods for studying Nicaragua. There will be meetings with Nicaraguan scholars and visits to social science research centers and universities.

Though much of the time will be spent in Managua, there will be day trips to rural communities. The program will be tailored to the major interests of the participants, and efforts will be made to accommodate individual interests.

The seminar can serve as an overview introduction to the generalist and first-time attenders and to bring the specialist up to date. To understand how the seminar works, prospective participants are advised to read the report of the 1994 trip in the Fall 1994 issue of the *Forum* (pages 11-14).

Participants are required to be Spanish-speaking or to have

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President's Report continued

effort in 1995 to secure new institutional members, especially in Latin America. For the first time, LASA brochures and materials will be printed in Spanish and Portuguese as well as English. At the 1995 LASA Congress, special sessions will be held on institutional fund-raising, endowment fund management, and institution-building through volunteer board development—sessions that we expect to be of particular interest to Latin American centers.

We believe that the September 28-30, 1995 Congress in Washington, D.C. will be an outstanding event. The Program Office at Cornell received over 450 session proposals and more than 600 individual paper proposals around the November 1 deadline, a record number. They are now under consideration by the 16 Program Section Heads. Those totals do not include special events such as plenaries and meetings sponsored by the LASA Task Forces, proposals for which are due by January 15, 1995. Reflecting members' response to LASA's growing emphasis on the humanities, the largest number of proposals of any Program Section (61 panels plus nearly 90 individual papers) was in Literature and the Arts. A return to the procedure of centralized submission to the Program Office prior to distribution to Section Heads has reduced the confusion of duplicate submissions and ensured that proposals are reviewed by the most appropriate Program Section. Also, the Program Office has started earlier on building the database from which the printed program will emerge in mid-1995.

The Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee for Washington '95, John Bailey (Georgetown University), is also planning various activities that will enhance the congress. Our traditional Wednesday evening welcoming reception will be held at Georgetown University's magnificent Intercultural Center. John and I are also in touch with staff at the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the Library of Congress to arrange visits for congress participants. We will also be facilitating participants' access to cultural and culinary opportunities in the most Hispanic parts of Washington D.C.—which are only minutes from our centrally-located hotel.

Of course, crucial to the success of the congress is the participation of Latin American scholars. For the 1994 Congress in Atlanta, we were very grateful to the Ford Foundation, which provided more than \$50,000 for the travel of 21 Junior Lecturers from Latin America and additional funds for the travel of five scholars from the Caribbean. We were also delighted that the Inter-American Foundation supported the travel of 35 experts, the MacArthur Foundation 25, and the North-South Center 11. For 1995, our goal is to support the travel of 150 Latin American scholars to

the congress—about 20 percent more scholars than for Atlanta. For this purpose, our 1994-95 Finance Committee has been established: members include Eduardo Gamarra, Jane Jaquette, Johanna Mendelson, Mitchell Seligson and Rose Spalding as well as Executive Director Reid Reading and Sandy Klinzing; I am serving as chair. We are pleased that The Ford Foundation is continuing its Junior Lecturing Fellowship Program, again funding the travel of more than 20 junior scholars to the congress as well as to a U.S. university. Our goal is to maintain the support of the foundations that have been our traditional mainstays as well as to attract support from additional foundations, the U.S. Agency for International Development, the Council for International Exchange of Scholars, several corporations, and international airlines.

In order that these institutions' support for the travel of Latin American scholars may yield multiplier effects, a committee called "Panels Plus" has also been formed. Committee members will review lists of prospective Latin American experts at the Washington D.C. congress and consider the organization of supplemental events in which these experts might participate. Also, committee members will identify Washington D.C.-based specialists on Latin America who are not familiar with LASA and encourage their attendance at the congress. Committee members currently include Lou Goodman (American University), Peter Hakim (Inter-American Dialogue), Nora Lustig (Brookings Institution), Johanna Mendelson (American University and U.S. Agency for International Development), Moises Naim (Carnegie Endowment), Joe Tulchin (Woodrow Wilson Center), and George Vickers (Washington Office on Latin America); additional members may be invited too.

Although our primary concern in recent months has been preparation for the 1995 Congress, our plans for LASA 1997 are also evolving. Despite intense effort by Executive Director Reid Reading, a return to Puerto Rico proved impossible: the convention center will be undergoing renovation during the relevant period. However, we are maintaining our commitment to a site in Latin America for 1997. Guadalajara, Mexico, now appears to be our most likely site; Reid travelled there in December to initiate negotiations.

In the previous *LASA Forum*, Wayne Smith, the Chair of LASA's Task Force on Scholarly Relations with Cuba, and I advised LASA members about the Clinton administration's tighter restrictions upon scholarly travel to Cuba—requiring all professional researchers to apply for a specific Treasury Department license at least six weeks in advance, without assurance that the license will be granted. We urged members to express their opposition to these restrictions. On November 30, in an act of civil disobedience, Wayne and three other LASA members (Phil Brenner, Jean Handy, and

John Nichols) travelled to Cuba without seeking Treasury Department licenses. In Havana, they met with scholars at the University of Havana. Upon their return, they were interrogated by Treasury Department agents. The delegation was accompanied by a lawyer representing the Center for Constitutional Rights; a key goal is to launch a legal challenge against the administration's regulations. Our expectation is that delegations will travel to Cuba monthly in defiance of the restrictions. Interested members should contact Wayne at the Center for International Policy, 1755 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Suite 324, Washington

DC 20036. Telephone: 202-232-3317 or *fax*: 202-232-3440.

At our February meeting, the Executive Council will be discussing many issues: from our endowment campaign strategy to our distribution procedures for papers at our congresses, from our political resolutions to the format of our publications. We hope that, by completing your membership questionnaire or communicating with us in another way, you will have contributed to our discussion. Our goal for 1995 is to continue enhancing our association's ability to serve its members. ■

ATTENTION AUTHORS

Your colleagues can see your monographs and articles first hand if your publishers exhibit at the 1994 LASA Congress. If your publishers are not listed here, you might want to ask them to contact LASA's book exhibit coordinator, Harve Horowitz, for information on how to secure exhibit space. But hurry! There are only a few spaces left. Advertising in the LASA program is another valuable opportunity and is not expensive. For either exhibit space or advertising information your publishers may contact: Mr. Harve Horowitz, 11620 Vixens Path, Ellicott City, MD 21403. Telephone: (410) 997-0763; *fax*: (410) 997-0764.

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LASA Endowment Fund Support

Thanks to the generosity of our members, we have seen a strong growth in support for the endowment funds.

Since our last report to you in the fall *LASA Forum*, thirteen members have demonstrated their commitment to the association through LASA Founding Life Memberships:

Edna Acosta-Belén	John Coatsworth	Paul Doughty	William M. Leogrande
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			Doris Sommer

And along with LASA's previous Founding Life Members:

Cole Blasier	Cornelia Flora	Marysa Navarro	Thomas Skidmore
Carmen Diana Deere	Cynthia McClintock	Helen Safa	
Richard Fagen	Chris Mitchell	Lars Schoultz	

They bring the number of LASA Life memberships to 23! The association is truly grateful for their support.

In addition, the following individuals and institutions have contributed at varying levels to the LASA Humanities Endowment Fund:

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During the past two months, letters of appeal were sent to top dues-paying members of the association, seeking their support for the endowment campaign. Many of these have been followed by phone calls from members of the LASA Development Committee. LASA gratefully acknowledges all those who have made donations to either endowment fund, as well as those who have indicated their desire to do so, but at a later date. Member support is extremely important now and even more so when LASA begins to seek external support for the campaign. ■

PAUL DOUGHTY MATCH COMPLETED

The association owes a particular debt of gratitude to Paul Doughty for his support of our endowment campaign efforts. Earlier this year Paul issued a challenge to his LASA colleagues when he indicated he would contribute \$300 to the endowment fund, and another \$200 when five of his colleagues matched his gift. We are delighted to announce that five generous members have made the match possible: Cynthia McClintock; Richard Adams; Carmelo Mesa-Lago; Marta E. Morello Frosch; and Marianne Schmink. In addition to his gift, Professor Doughty has become a **Founding Life Member** as well! Many thanks to Paul and to everyone who made all this possible. ■

LASA's Electronic Job Bulletin Board Back On-Line by Glenn Sheldon

Last month the University of Pittsburgh required the Latin American Studies Association to set up a new entry point to its electronic job bulletin board. After some confusion and delay, LASA finally is able to resume this service on the Internet. Listings of interest to Latin Americanists will be updated monthly, and are offered at no cost to individuals with Internet access.

To access the electronic job bulletin board:

1. At your Internet prompt, type:

FINGER LASA@VMS.CIS.PITT.EDU

(If this first step is ineffective, check with your institution's systems operator to see which customized Internet "pointer," if any, you should utilize.)

2. Type: **FINGER LASA**

("Scroll lock" on your keyboard should effectively display job bulletin board screen by screen; however, if it is ineffective contact your systems operator for the command your terminal emulator should utilize.)

LASA would appreciate hearing from members effectively using other protocols for "fingering" the bulletin board via Internet, so that we may inform other LASA members who have primary access to different types of systems.

LASA depends on institutions to supply information for the bulletin board. Notices should be sent to Publications Director at the *e-mail address* on page two of this *Forum*. For LASA members without access to an e-mail system, a free copy of the current listing is available. Sorry, but we cannot send hard copy of job listings to non-members. Send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Secretariat, Latin American Studies Association, Attn: Glenn Sheldon, Publications Director, 946 William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. ■

Nicaragua Field Seminar continued

full comprehension of Spanish. No translations will be provided. The entire seminar, including all accommodations, meals, in-country bus transportation and program will cost \$990. Bona fide students receive a \$90 discount. Flights to and from Managua are not included. The facilitator will help prepare for the trip with all relevant information.

Since 1990 when the Sandinistas became the first revolutionary party to hand over government after losing elections, Nicaragua has continued to undergo important processes of change. Now with the FSLN splintering, economic austerity programs taking a heavy toll, and elections approaching in 1996, this summer's seminar will offer an opportunity to study Nicaragua at a critical crossroad. We anticipate a full group. A maximum of sixteen participants will be accepted so it is advisable to respond soon.

For an application and/or more information, write: Professor Richard Stahler-Sholk, LASA Nicaragua Seminar Coordinator, Pitzer College, 1050 N. Mills Ave., Claremont, CA 91711-6110. Or contact: Alice McGrath, Facilitator, P.O. Box 1782, Ventura, CA 93002. Telephone: 805-648-4560 (best time to call is any day from 8AM-7PM Pacific Time); fax: 805-653-6359. ■

ACLS TO PUBLISH LASA REPORT

LASA, a constituent member of the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), was among a handful of ACLS member associations whose report on internationalization was chosen for publication by the Council. The report was presented at the ACLS Conference on "The Internationalization of Scholarship and the Role of U.S.-based Learned Societies," held November 11-13, 1994, at the Westfields International Conference Center in Chantilly, Virginia. ■

MEMBER RENEWAL RATE AT ALL-TIME HIGH

The response to LASA's plea to renew in a timely fashion has been taken very seriously by hundreds of our members. In a mailing to LASA members we noted that in an average year four of every five LASA members renewed their memberships after the beginning of the membership year.

For 1995, the estimate is that nearly one-half of all renewals will have reached the secretariat by the end of 1994. This is a tremendous improvement, and we will do even better next year. Thanks to all of you "earlier birds" and to Sandy Klinzing, LASA's Assistant to the Director for Institutional Advancement, for her fine efforts to retain and expand LASA's membership base. ■

CALL FOR BIDS ON THE LASA SECRETARIAT

The Executive Council of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA) announces a request for proposals to host the LASA Secretariat, headquarters of the Association. The present contract with the University of Pittsburgh is due to expire June 30, 1996. Contracts normally are for a five-year period.

Since its founding in 1966, LASA has become the largest organization of Latin Americanists in the world, with over 3,300 members in 42 countries. Every 18 months the association sponsors the LASA International Congress, the world's largest gathering of Latin Americanists. LASA also publishes the *LASA Forum*, a quarterly newsletter that also includes brief, researched-based articles of a timely nature. *The Latin American Research Review (LARR)*, LASA's official periodical and the premier journal for Latin Americanists, presently is published at the University of New Mexico.

The host institution for LASA is responsible for recruiting the LASA executive director, a chief assistant to the executive director, an assistant director for institutional advancement, and a part-time director of publications. Partial salary is provided by the institutional host for the executive director, full salary for the chief assistant, and full salary for the half-time publications director, with LASA paying the salary of the assistant director for institutional advancement.

Of prime importance are the qualifications of the proposed executive director. The LASA executive director has ultimate responsibility for managing the Secretariat, hires the staff, maintains the financial standing of the association, oversees all LASA publications except *LARR*, negotiates contracts, manages and reports on grants currently valued at one-half million dollars, and has overall responsibility for the coordination of all official LASA meetings, including the International Congresses and meetings of the LASA Executive Council. The executive director represents the association in contact with other organizations, including governmental and private agencies, foundations, other scholarly societies, and institutions of higher education. In general, the executive director implements the policies established by the LASA Executive Council and works to promote the welfare of the field. Given the marked growth of LASA over the last few years, the present executive director dedicates full-time to the association.

LASA requires four furnished offices, one of which is a large working office for the chief assistant and for temporary personnel under the chief assistant's supervision. Storage space is required for LASA archives. LASA possesses in its own right all the equipment necessary for its operations except for a large volume photocopier. LASA pays for all office expenses, including all installation and equipment charges and charges for telephone and fax communications.

Completed proposals should include a short statement of the likely advantages of the host institution, identify a proposed executive director and submit a curriculum vitae for that individual, and specify the nature and extent of support to be provided by the proposed host institution. Also required is a letter from the responsible administrative official (e.g., dean, vice-president, or president) of the proposed host institution, confirming the institution's commitment to LASA.

Proposals are due July 1, 1995, and the contract will be awarded no later than January 1996. Completed proposals should be directed to Cynthia McClintock, LASA President, Department of Political Science, George Washington University, Washington DC 20052, or fax 202-994-6147.

For further information, including job descriptions for all secretariat personnel, contact Reid Reading, LASA Executive Director, 946 William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA 15260. Telephone 412-648-7929; fax 412-624-7145; Internet LASA@VMS.CIS.PITT.EDU.

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION
of the
LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION**

On September 10, 1994, the Steering Committee of the Consortium of Latin American Studies Programs (CLASP) decided to withdraw from the Latin American Studies Association (LASA). The LASA Executive Council agreed to accept this decision, and proposes that the LASA Constitution be amended in the following manner:

First, Article V., section 1.a., reproduced below, will be amended to omit the italicized portions below:

Article V. Executive Council

1. The Executive Council shall administer the affairs of the Association, and for corporate purposes be considered as its Board of Directors.

a. The Executive Council shall consist of nine voting members: the Immediate Past President, President, Vice-President, and six elected members; and three ex-officio members with voice but no vote: the LASA Executive Director, the editor of the Latin American Research Review; the current Congress Program Chair; *and chair of the Consortium of Latin American Studies Programs (CLASP) Steering Committee.*

Second, Article VI., reproduced below, will be omitted from the LASA Constitution, and subsequent Articles renumbered accordingly:

Article VI. CLASP

The Consortium of Latin American Studies Programs (CLASP) is the institutional affiliate of the Association. Nothing in the CLASP constitution may be contrary to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association.

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
for voting on
The LASA Executive Council Proposal to
Amend Articles V. and VI. of the LASA Constitution**

YES

NO

ABSTAIN

Ratification of amendments proposed by at least two-thirds of the membership of the Executive Council, or by a petition of one hundred members in good standing requires approval of a majority of those members who vote within 90 days following the distribution of ballots to all members.

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PROPOSAL FOR FILM FESTIVAL SUBMISSIONS

Film and video materials not integrated into a panel, workshop, or meeting may be presented in one of two ways: (1) as selections in the LATIN AMERICAN FILM FESTIVAL; or (2) as part of the noncompetitive FILM EXHIBIT of visual and informational materials. Those not selected for the festival may be presented at the exhibit for a fee. Please use a separate form for each film/video proposed. *Please type or print clearly.*

Films and videos chosen for the FESTIVAL are designated as recipients of the 1995 LASA Award of Merit in Film for "excellence in the visual presentation of educational and artistic materials on Latin America." Approximately 15 such awards will be made. Selection criteria are: artistic, technical, and cinematographic excellence; uniqueness of contribution to the visual presentation of materials on Latin America; and relevance to disciplinary, geographic, and thematic interests of LASA members, as evidenced by topics proposed for panels, workshops, and other sessions at recent congresses. Films and videos released after December 1993 and those that will premiere at the congress will be given special consideration if they also meet the above criteria. Please submit applications for films or videos for the juried LASA Film Festival by *June 1, 1995*, to the above address.

The noncompetitive FILM EXHIBIT of Latin American films, videos and descriptive materials (brochures, catalogues, etc.) is organized in conjunction with the book exhibit. For information, contact Harve C. Horowitz & Associates, LASA Film Exhibit, 11620 Vixens Path, Ellicott City, MD 21043; 301/997-0763.

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LETTER

To the editor, *LASA Forum*:

I would like to call to the attention of your readers an article of mine, "The Latin American Studies Association vs. the United States: The Verdict of History," *Academic Questions*, Volume 7, No. 3, Summer 1994, Pages 40-55.

This essay (a copy of which I will send to any LASA member who writes for it) examines a quarter century of LASA resolutions, proclamations and reports concerning U.S. policies in Latin America. The analysis shows that, from the time LASA began to adopt political resolutions in the early 1970s, it has practiced a double standard, denouncing in impassioned language atrocities perpetrated by Latin American military regimes, and, as one resolution had it, "U.S. Complicity Therein" (*LASA Newsletter*, March 1974, pages 9-10), while, at the same time, passing over in silence similar violations by Castro's Cuba.

This double standard is in direct contradiction to LASA's own proclamations, such as the one adopted at the 1976 Atlanta meeting and subsequently ratified by mail ballot:

A Reaffirmation of the Commitment of the Latin American Studies Association to the *Universal Applicability and Necessity of Academic Freedom and Social Responsibility of the Higher Educational Community*:

THAT the Latin American Studies Association reaffirms its beliefs that Academic Freedom is necessary for a free and progressive society, *in all nations of the world and...*

THAT U.S. institutions and organizations representing academia and individuals acting on their behalf, should be ready to take all necessary steps to dissociate themselves from any actions and relationships with countries in which it is evident that massive and systematic violations of academic freedom have occurred in order that such actions and relationships might not appear to condone those violations (*LASA Newsletter*, June 1976, page 6; emphasis added).

Had LASA applied this standard consistently across all regimes, today the association would enjoy a sterling reputation as a staunch and incorruptible defender of human rights and academic freedom. Alas, this was not to be. LASA has only seen fit to criticize right-wing military regimes, as well

as the United States. But Fidel Castro's dictatorship over Cuba, now in its 36th year (a Latin American record), has escaped LASA's censure.

LASA's Task Force on Human Rights and Academic Freedom has not published a single word on the systematic violations of human rights, or the complete lack of academic freedom in Castro's Cuba. And, far from disassociating itself from such a regime, LASA has not hesitated to appear to condone these violations through the many projects of the "Task Force on Scholarly Relations with Cuba."

The only topic that has been deemed worthy of a LASA resolution on Cuba has been the U.S. economic embargo. Ironically, the most recent resolution, offered at the Atlanta meeting, accuses the United States of having "built a wall between two nations by banning travel and restricting cultural exchange with Cuba, preventing the free flow of people and ideas between two countries *in contradiction with the principles of freedom of thought and civil liberties for all peoples...*" (*LASA Forum*, Spring 1994, page 29; emphasis added).

The fact that time and again Cuban artists, writers, journalists, human rights activists, and academics have been beaten, thrown in prison, forced to make public confessions, or exiled for expressing dissenting thoughts was passed over in silence in this as in every other previous resolution on Cuba.

Whether LASA should be in the business of adopting political resolutions was once a controversial question. The matter was decided in favor of such activity, even though the only survey ever taken of the membership, by a 60 percent to 38 percent margin, *disapproved* of political resolutions (*LASA Newsletter*, December 1973, page 26). Having adopted the practice of adopting political resolutions, it was incumbent on LASA to hold every regime to the same standard. By never speaking to the violations of human rights and academic freedom in Castro's Cuba, LASA has abdicated a moral responsibility assumed when it began criticizing other regimes in the Americas.

Now that Fidel Castro is the only dictatorial hold-out in Latin America, isn't it time to call on Havana to respect "the principles of freedom of thought and civil liberties" LASA has held high everywhere else?

Sincerely,
Alfred G. Cuzán
Professor of Political Science
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The **University of Massachusetts** and **University of Connecticut**: Latin American Politics and Interamerican Relations. The New England Consortium of Latin American Studies invite applications for the Title VI Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science and Latin American Studies. Subject to final budgetary approval, this is a one-year position which may be extended to two years. Candidates with an interest in teaching the Politics of South or Central America and Interamerican Relations are especially encouraged to apply. Position will involve teaching one semester in the Department of Political Science at the University of Massachusetts and one semester at the University of Connecticut, beginning September 1, 1995. The course load is two courses per semester. Ph.D. or candidacy (ABD) and evidence of scholarship and teaching ability is necessary. Salary is competitive, with full benefits. Applications must be postmarked by *March 13, 1995*. Send letter of application, vitae, a writing sample and three letters of reference to: Professor Carmen Diana Deere, Director, Latin American Studies Program, 924 Thompson Hall, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003. AA/EO employers.

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Chair, Search Committee
Latin American and Latino Studies Program
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FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia U.S.A., will host the Fortieth Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials (SALALM), April 29-May 3, 1995. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, Athens. "Latin America in the World Economy: Research Trends in Globalization and Regionalism" will be the conference theme. The meeting's main focus will be on past and present economic conditions of the region, with special emphasis on the recent moves toward economic integration. Additional panels will discuss regional development and information sources available to investors and researchers. Invitations and registration materials for SALALM XL will be mailed in January 1995. Information on the content of the program can be obtained from Robert A. McNeil, President, SALALM; Head/Hispanic Section, Bodleian Library, University of Oxford, Oxford, OX1389, England. Telephone: 865-277-206; fax: 865-277-182; e-mail: MCNEIL@VAX.OX.AC.UK. Details concerning local arrangements are available from: Gayle Williams, Bibliographer for Latin America, Spain and Portugal, University of Georgia Libraries, Athens, GA 30602. Telephone: 706-542-0679; fax: 706-542-4144. For Internet e-mail, access GWILLIAM@UGA.CC.UGA.EDU. For general information about SALALM, contact: Sharon Moynahan, Executive Secretary, SALALM Secretariat, General Library, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM 87131. Telephone: 505-277-5102; fax: 505-277-0646. You may e-mail us at SALALM@UNM.EDU. For more information about the Holiday Inn, telephone: 706-549-4433; fax: 706-548-3031, or write to: Holiday Inn, Broad & Hull Streets, Athens, GA 30603.

The Brazilian Studies Association would like to announce their second annual conference hosted by Dr. Roberto Reis at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, May 11-13, 1995. The main topic of the conference will be "Contemporary Brazil: The Transnational and Post-Colonial Condition," but proposals for panels outside this focus will also be accepted. For more information, please contact: Karen A. Harris, Conference Manager, Latin American Institute, University of New Mexico, 801 Yale NE, Albuquerque, NM 87131-1016. Telephone: 505-277-2961; fax: 505-277-5989; or e-mail: KHARRIS@BOOTES.UNM.EDU.

A conference on "The Reform of Mexican Agrarian Reform" will be held at Columbia University April 6-7, 1995. The conference celebrates the 100th anniversary of Professor Frank Tannenbaum's birth and his pioneering 1929 work, *The Mexican Agrarian Revolution*. Tannenbaum stressed the significance for Mexican agriculture of the *ejido*, which by the late 1980s held more than one-half the arable land. In 1991 an amendment to the Mexican constitution enabled, but did not compel, privatization of *ejido* land. The conference brings together participants in and scholars of the *ejido* and its reform to evaluate the

history of agrarian reform in Mexico and the newly enacted reform. Papers will be presented by, among others, Armando Bartra, Wayne Cornelius, Alain de Janvry, Ezequiel Ezcurra, Jonathan Fox, Luin Goldring, Gustavo Gordillo de Anda, Neil Harvey, Jorge Ibarra, Friedrich Katz, David Myhre, Rob Smith, Lynn Stephen, William Thiesenhusen, Victor Toledo and Scott Whiteford. For details, including information on special rates for accommodations, please e-mail: LRRHC@CUNYVM.CUNY.EDU; or write: "Agrarian Reform," University Seminars, 606 Dodge Hall, Columbia University, New York NY 10027. Telephone: 212-854-2389.

The Institute of Early American History and Culture will hold a working seminar on the antecedents and development of racism in Europe, Africa, and the Americas in the period 1400-1700. Scheduled for the spring of 1996, the seminar will explore the state of scholarship on the emergence of race-related attitudes and ideologies through papers to be read in advance of the meeting. Scholars in all disciplines, including European, African, and Latin American history, anthropology, literature, and cultural studies, are invited to submit proposals of approximately 12 to 15 pages, in English, describing the substance of their subject. The following themes have been selected to focus inquiry; explorations of these areas are especially encouraged: 1. Cultural and territorial frontiers as arenas for the formation of racism. 2. Experiences of collective and personal encounter where conceptions of self and other are formed and transformed. 3. Emergence of racist discourse and imagery serving structures of domination and exploitation. 4. Literary representations of race and racism. 5. Religious dimensions of racism and racist dimensions of religion. 6. Transactions of race, gender, and sexuality. Authors of accepted proposals will be asked to expand their presentations to about 30 pages including notes. These drafts will be circulated to all seminar participants six weeks before the date of the meeting. Following the seminar and a period for authors' revisions, the Institute intends to make the papers the basis for an issue of the *William and Mary Quarterly* devoted entirely to the subject. The deadline for proposals is *October 1, 1995*. For full information, contact: Ronald Hoffman, Institute Director, or Michael McGiffert, *Quarterly* Editor, at the Institute: P.O. Box 8781, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8781. Telephone: 804-221-1110 or -1125; fax: 804-221-1047.

In cooperation with the New England American Studies Association, Mystic Seaport Museum is inviting paper and panel proposals for a conference titled "Race, Ethnicity and Power in Maritime America." To be held in Mystic, Connecticut September 14-17, 1995, this national conference will be a multi-disciplinary discussion of race and ethnicity as related to the maritime communities or enter-

prise of North America and the Caribbean. The Museum welcomes proposals from graduate and postgraduate scholars, museum professionals and independent researchers engaged in maritime studies and related fields. Proposals for panel sessions which emphasize prior communication and collaboration among panelists is strongly encouraged. Please mail or fax a 250-word abstract of the proposed paper or panel and curriculum vitae before *February 15, 1995* to: Dr. James Miller, Director, American Studies Department, Trinity College, 300 Summit St., Hartford, CT 06106-3100. *Fax:* 203-297-5258.

Seventh Conference of North American and Cuban Philosophers and Social Scientists call for papers and invitation to participate in Havana, Cuba, June 9-23, 1995. North American philosophers and social scientists as well as social change activists are invited to participate along with Cuba counterparts in this annual event in Havana, Cuba. In past years as many as 75 North Americans have joined with 140 Cubans for a week of discussions, followed by another week of visits to various organizations and sites of interest. The seventh conference will take place at the University of Havana from June 12-16. Call for papers on the following thematic areas: Renovation of Marxism; Global Economy and Global Capitalism; Models of Socialism; Construction of Socialism/Problems of Socialism; Democracy and Social Justice; Post-Modernism and Marxism; Epistemology and Methodology; Ethics and Society; Education and Society; Literature and Popular Culture; Science, Technology and Ecology; Identity and Culture; Class, Race, Gender and Sexuality; Social Policy; U.S. Relations with Cuba and Latin America; Analysis of Capitalism; Political Economic Theory; and Revolutionary Thinkers. We are looking for papers and Commission organizers in these and other areas. Papers should be no more than 8 pages long so as to maximize discussion time at the conference. Commission proposals and paper abstracts were requested *January 23, 1995* with completed papers due *March 1, 1995*. As opportunities for oral presentation are limited, priority consideration will be given early applicants. Following the conference in Havana, a select group will carry the conference to other parts of Cuba. This will enable you to see more of Cuba: Matanzas, June 19-21; Camaguey, June 19-22; Holguin, June 23-27. Cost: Approximately \$900 for a basic 14-day stay in Havana at university accommodations, all group activities included from Miami departure to Miami return. There will be some additional cost for transportation outside of Havana. Some scholarship assistance may be available for those with limited means. Deadlines: *January 23, 1995*—abstracts for papers and proposals for commissions (1-2 pages); *March 1, 1995*—completed papers (8 pages max.); *April 1, 1995*—completed application. For additional information or to request application materials, write Cliff DuRand, 1443 Gorsuch Ave., Baltimore, MD 21218. Telephone: 410-243-3118; *fax:* 410-235-5325; *e-mail:* DURAND@MORGANVX.BITNET.

The Seventh Annual Purdue University Conference on Romance Languages, Literatures and Film, October 5-7, 1995, invites potential participants to submit a paper on any aspect of Romance Languages, Literatures, and Film: Catalan, French, Italian, Latin, Portuguese, Provençal and Spanish. Essays are accepted as well in the following areas provided they relate to Romance Languages: Comparative Literature, Film Studies, Jewish Studies, Linguistics, Literary Theory and Critical Methods, Pedagogy and Women's Studies. Papers may be in any Romance language or English. Please submit two blind copies of your paper (maximum length 20 double-spaced pages, including notes and bibliography) in the most recent MLA style. Include information on where you can be reached: mailing and e-mail addresses plus home, work and fax numbers. Abstracts will not be considered. One submission per author only. Self-addressed, stamped envelope required for return of manuscripts. Deadline: *April 1, 1995*. All papers will be refereed and those accepted for presentation at the Conference will be published in the 1994 RLA. You will be notified of acceptance or rejection by May 31, 1995. After notification of acceptance, send one copy on a DS/DD or DS/HD Macintosh-readable computer diskette (preferably Microsoft Word 4.0 or 5.x) as well as a clean hard copy to the Conference Coordinators by August 15, 1995. Important: Any disk not conforming to the requested format may incur a processing fee. Send submissions and inquiries, or for additional information, contact Conference Coordinators: Jeanette Beer, French; Patricia Hart, Spanish; Ben Lawton, Italian, Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, 1359 Stanley Coulter Hall, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907-1359. Telephone: 317-494-7691; *fax:* 317-496-1700; *e-mail:* RLA@VM.CC.PURDUE.EDU.

The Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies would like to announce their first joint conference with the Pacific Coast Council for Latin American Studies. The conference will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada, March 5-8, 1995 at the Tropicana Hotel. Send full paper titles and a 75-word abstract, or full panel proposals with names and addresses of all panel participants to: Professor Krystine Demaree, University of California at Chico, Center for International Studies, Chico, CA 95929. Telephone: 916-898-6880; *fax:* 916-898-6869. You may also contact us by *e-mail* at: JFLORES@OAVAX.CSU.CHICO.EDU. For more information, please contact: Karen A. Harris, Conference Manager, Latin American Institute, University of New Mexico, 801 Yale NE, Albuquerque, NM 87131-1016. Telephone: 505-277-2961; *fax:* 505-277-5989; or *e-mail:* KHARRIS@BOOTES.UNM.EDU.

Las Segundas Jornadas Andinas de Literatura Latinoamericana se llevarán a cabo entre el 10 y el 15 de agosto de 1995 en la Facultad de Filosofía y Letras de la Universidad Nacional de Tucumán. En este evento existen dos modalidades de participación. En la primera, toda

persona interesada en participar en los Talleres Plenarios puede enviar sus acotaciones y comentarios a los documentos de trabajo publicados en la *Revista de Crítica Literaria Latinoamericana*, 40, 1994. Estos son "Crítica, Historia y Política Cultural: Agendas para la próxima década" de W. Mignolo; "Periodización y Regionalización" de R. Adorno y "Mestizaje, Transculturación, Heterogeneidad" de A. Cornejo-Polar. Los autores de los documentos de trabajo estarán presentes en los Talleres Plenarios. En la segunda modalidad de participación, se pueden leer ponencias con temas no necesariamente relacionados a los tópicos de los documentos de trabajo. Los interesados deben enviar sus acotaciones, comentarios y/o ponencias a: Dr. Ricardo Kaliman S., Secretaría Sede de JALLA II-Tucumán 1995, 24 de Septiembre #210, 4000 Tucumán, Argentina; o a las secretarías nacionales de Bolivia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, Venezuela y EEUU antes del 30 de abril de 1995. Si desean mayor información los residentes en los EEUU comunicarse con la Secretaría de los EEUU: U. Juan Zevallos-Aguilar, 1309 Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. *E-mail: UJZST@VMS.CIS.PITT.EDU*. En caso de utilizar correo electrónico no impacientarse al no recibir respuesta inmediata.

The Annual Meeting of the Society for Literature and Science will be held in Los Angeles, California, November 2-5, 1995. Due date for one-page abstracts for individual papers and proposals for panels or sessions is *February 1, 1995*. Send four copies of abstract or panel proposal and self-addressed, stamped card to: Jay Labinger, Beckman Institute, mail code 139-74, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA 91125.

The University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee's Department of Spanish and Portuguese and the Centers for Latin America and for Twentieth Century Studies will sponsor a symposium, "Jose Martí, 1895-1995: A Re-Evaluation," on April 21, 1995 on the UWM campus. Participants: Ivan Schulman, Enrico Mario Santi, Julio Ramos, Ottmar Ette, Adalberto Ronda (of the Centro de Estudios Martianos in Havana), and Rafael Rodríguez-Luis, Chair, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, P.O. Box 413, Milwaukee, WI 53201.

The seventh annual meeting of the Haitian Studies Association (HSA) will be held October 13-14, 1995, at the Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The theme of the conference is "Haitian Expressions: Word, Image, Action." Haiti is at a critical crossroad in its history. Its people are called to reexamine the country's past and its course for a democratic future. The current process of democratization necessitates the restructuring of socioeconomic and political institutions, as well as the search for artistic and literary forms of expression. "Haitian Expressions" explores the manifold ways in which the traditional and nontraditional artistic, as well as the literary idioms

depict various aspects of Haitian culture both in the present and in the past. Presenters should submit abstracts of their papers by *March 1, 1995*. These abstracts will be published and distributed prior to the meeting. HSA publishes selected and refereed papers presented at annual meetings in the *Journal of Haitian Studies*. Presenters who wish their papers to be published should submit them to HSA in their finished form by October 30, 1995. For the sake of conformity, all presenters should utilize the MLA style sheet in preparing their papers. Footnote references should be placed at the end of the papers. Mail abstracts to: HSA, University of Massachusetts at Boston, CPCS Dean's Office, 100 Morrissey Blvd, Boston MA 02125-3393. Telephone 617-287-7138; fax: 617-787-7099; or *e-mail: HSA@UMBSKY.CC.UMB.EDU*.

La celebración de la VII Conferencia Internacional de Investigación de la Asociación Latinoamericana de Estudios Judaicos (LAJSA), se realizará en la ciudad de México, del 11 al 14 de noviembre de 1995. Por tal motivo, estamos invitándolo(a) a presentar su propuesta de tema. La recepción de éstas será a partir de la presente comunicación y hasta el 15 de mayo de 1995, a fin de integrar las mesas de trabajo. Su propuesta deberá incluir un resumen del trabajo a presentar en la Conferencia, y ser enviado a (México): Alicia Gojman de Backal, Asociación Mexicana de Amigos de la Universidad de Tel-Aviv, Séneca #307, México DF, C.P. 11530, MEXICO; o a (Estados Unidos): Judith Elkin, 2104 Georgetown Blvd, Ann Arbor MI 48105 USA. ■

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Study Site: Santiago, Chile (pop. 5.7 million) is an exceptional place to explore Latin American Studies. It is home to many qualified research centers such as PET, CELADE, CEPAL, CIEPLAN, FLACSO, & CEM.

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Analyzes the historical and contemporary aspects of the Southern Cone region and its relations to other regions, drawing on several theoretical frameworks. Instructor: Manfred Wilhelmy, (Ph.D., Princeton) Universidad de Chile. 3 credits.

Political Economy of the Built Environment:
Examines how Chile's boom & bust cycles are reflected in the urban landscape. Meetings & field trips around Santiago for 3 weeks only. Students conduct independent project on one aspect of urban design and social spaces. Professor Scarpaci. 2 credits.

Shantytown Health Care:

Analyzes the challenges of neighborhood primary-care groups and NGO's in providing primary health and medical care. Assessing the paradigms of health care as a right versus health care as a commodity in the context of contemporary Chile. Instructors: Dr. Rodrigo Contreras MD, Fanny Barlagosky RN, Isabel Ortega RN, Colectivo de Atención Primaria de Salud.

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Lodging: The program has arranged for lodging with Chilean families.

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Eligibility Requirements: Strong speaking and reading in Spanish and good university standing required. Demonstrated ability of working well with others in diverse settings imperative. Preference for receipt of completed application: **March 1, 1995.**

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Further Information & Materials:
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The Committee on Honors and Members of the Modern Language Association invites nominations for the fifth annual Katherine Singer Kovacs Prize for an outstanding book published in English in the field of Latin American and Spanish literatures and cultures. The prize was established in 1990 by a gift from the family of Katherine Singer Kovacs, a member of the MLA who died in May 1989. A specialist in Spanish and Latin American literature and film, Professor Kovacs taught at Stanford University, the University of Southern California, and Whittier College. Under the terms of the gift, the prize selection committee will be especially interested in original, broadly interpretive books that enhance understanding of the interrelations among literature, the other arts, and society and that offer fresh perspectives on the field. The prize will be awarded in 1995 for a 1994 publication; the deadline for nominations is *May 1, 1995*. Authors of nominated books need not be members of the MLA. The award, which consists of a check for \$1,000 and a certificate, will be presented to the winning author at the association's annual convention in December 1995. Publishers may enter more than one title, but no book may compete for more than one MLA prize. For further information, write to: Richard Brod, Director of Special Projects, Modern Language Association; or call: 212-614-6406. Publishers of eligible books should send six copies to the: Katherine Singer Kovacs Prize, Modern Language Association, 10 Astor Place, New York, NY 10003-6981.

The Committee on Honors and Members of the Modern Language Association invites nominations for the third Morton N. Cohen Award for a Distinguished Edition of Letters. The award was established in 1989 by a gift from Morton N. Cohen, professor emeritus of English at the City University of New York. The award is presented each odd-numbered year. For the current award the committee solicits entries of important collections of letters published in 1993 or 1994. A multivolume edition is eligible if at least one volume has been published during that period. Editors can apply regardless of the fields they and the authors of the letters represent, and membership in the

MLA is not required. Under the terms of the award, the winning collection will be one that provides readers with a clear, accurate, and readable text; necessary background information; and succinct and eloquent introductory material and annotations. The edited collection should be in itself a work of literature. The 1993-94 Morton N. Cohen Award, which consists of a check for \$1,000 and a certificate, will be presented to the winning editor at the association's annual convention in December 1995. Nominations will be accepted until *May 1, 1995*. No book or edition may compete for more than one MLA prize, but a multivolume edition that competed for the Cohen Award in a prior year may compete again if a new volume was published during the award period. For further information, write to: Richard Brod, Director of Special Projects, Modern Language Association; or call: 212-614-6406. To enter an edition into competition, send a letter of nomination and four copies of each eligible volume to the: Morton N. Cohen Award, Modern Language Association, 10 Astor Place, New York, NY 10003-6981.

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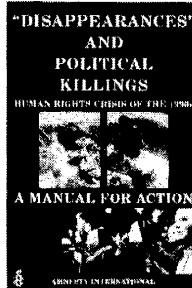
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