New APSA Council Members Elected

Eight new members of the APSA Council have been elected in APSA's fifth contested election in recent years. The new Council members are: Wendy Brown, University of California, Berkeley; Wendy Tam-Cho, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; H N Hirsch, Oberlin College; John Ishiyama, Truman State University; Thomas Pangle, University of Texas, Austin; Nonna Mayer, Centre de Recherches Politiques de Sciences Po (CEVIPOF); Dan Reiter, Emory University; and Catherine Zuckert, University of Notre Dame, Leonard Wantchekon, University of New York was not elected. Under APSA election rules, the APSA Nominating Committee proposes one name per open seat and additional nominations, sponsored by at least 10 members, may be made from the membership. This year, Catherine Zuckert, University of Notre Dame, was nominated from the membership and was elected. The election was conducted by electronic ballot, with a 30% turnout—similar to other recent APSA elections. Detailed results can be found at http://www.apsanet.org/content_47977.cfm. The new council members take office immediately.

These Council members' terms have correspondingly wrapped up: Catherine Boone, University of Texas, Austin; Janet Box-Steffensmeier, Ohio State University; Donald P. Green, Yale University; Bryan D. Jones, University of Washington, Seattle; Michael Jones-Correa, Cornell University; Timothy Kaufman-Osborn, Whitman College; Jack S. Levy, Rutgers University; and Andrea Y. Simpson, University of Richmond. APSA thanks them for their commitment and service to the discipline. The full APSA officer roster can be found on page iv of this and every issue of PS.

Northeastern Political Science Association and International Studies Association-Northeast Held 40th Annual Meeting



From left to right: APSA President Dianne Pinderhughes, Philadelphia Mayor-elect Micahel Nutter, and Chair Bruce Caswell.

The Northeastern Political Science Association and International Studies Association-Northeast held their 40th Annual Meeting November 15–17, 2007, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Philadelphia. More than 700 participants attended the event. This year's speakers included APSA President Dianne Pinderhughes, ISA President Jack Levy of Rutgers University, Robert Keohane of Princeton University, and Mayor-elect Michael Nutter of Philadelphia, who was the Pi Sigma Alpha Lecturer for this year's meeting. Next year's meeting will be held November 13–15, 2008, at the Omni Parker House in Boston.

At the meeting, The inaugural *Polity* prize for best paper was awarded. The prize committee selected "The Republic of the Moderns: Paine's and Madison's Novel Liberalism," by Andreas Kalyvas and Ira Katznelson (APSA past president), published in the October 2006 issue of *Polity*, as the winning paper (available free to download at the Polity web site: www.palgrave-journals.com/polity).

Ever Have Trouble Flying or Entering the United States?

At the August 2007 annual meeting, the APSA Council designated a Council Group on Transportation Security and Civil Liberties (Tony Affigne, Melissa Williams, and Timothy Kaufman-Osborn) to look into issues that might arise in border crossings with those attending the 2009 APSA meeting in Toronto, Canada, and more broadly with scholarly travel in and outside the U.S. Among the issues of concern are airport "no fly" and "selectee" lists which can hinder and even prevent air travel, any special concerns of resident alien scholars, the effectiveness of the Traveler Redress Inquiry Program (TRIP) as a remedy for anyone who feels their name was mistakenly added to a "no fly" list, or whether there are particular groups or parts of the country where these Homeland Security/Transportation Security Administration measures are more rigorously enforced.

In order to get some dimension of how these issues have impacted the APSA membership, the Council Group would appreciate anyone who has encountered such difficulties in their domestic or international travel to respond by e-mail with whatever details seem relevant (denial of a boarding pass, delays in resuming travel, etc.).

The Council Group will prepare travel recommendations for all APSA members, to minimize inconvenience you may face as you travel to the 2009 Toronto meeting, or to any other professional destinations. With your assistance, our goal is to ensure that APSA members are well-prepared to deal with security practices on both sides of the U.S.-Canadian border. Please e-mail your comments to:

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Rowman & Littlefield Award Recipients Named

Professors James Meernik and Kimi King of the University of North Texas are the recipients of the 2007 Rowman & Littlefield Award for Innovative Teaching in Political Science. James Meernik was on hand at the 2007 APSA Reception Honoring Teaching at the Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois, to receive the award.

The Rowman and Littlefield Award recognizes political scientists who have developed effective new approaches to teaching in the discipline. The award seeks to honor a wide range of new directions in teaching, not one particular new direction. The winners were chosen from among a large number of deserving nominees whose teaching techniques have moved our pedagogy forward. The 2007 winners were chosen by a committee that was chaired by L. Sandy Maisel of Colby College and that included: Barbara Allen, Carleton College (2005 Rowman and Littlefield Award Recipient); Kimberly A. Mealy, American Political Science Association; and Charles Prysby, University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Students in Professors King and Meernik's jointly taught study abroad class, International Law: Peace and Justice, engage in three intensive weeks of classes and research at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) in The Hague, The Netherlands. Over the last six years, Meernik and King have arranged for their students to receive unprecedented access to top officials—including two ICTY presidents and 10 of the ICTY judges, attorneys and to tribunal testimony. According to a citation issued by committee chairperson, L. Sandy Maisel, "Students at the University of North Texas have a unique opportunity to study the international justice system in action because of the innovative approach you have taken to designing a study abroad experience."



Charles Prysby (right) presents James Meernik (left) with the Rowman & Littlefield Award at the 2007 Annual Meeting.

The deadline for nominations for the 2008 Rowman and Littlefield Award will be April 1, 2008. For more information on the award and the eligibility requirements for this award, please visit the APSA homepage at www.apsanet.org or the APSA Teaching and Learning Award site at http://apsanet.org/section_452.cfm.

Call for Applications: Ralph Bunche Summer Institute

The 2008 Class of Ralph Bunche Summer Institute (RBSI) Scholars will mark the 22nd year of the Institute. The application deadline is February 8, 2008 (application materials should be postmarked by this date). Applications can be found at http://apsanet.org/rbsi. Please contact kmealy@apsanet.org with any questions.



APSA RBSI and MFP Coffee Hour held at the 2007 Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.
Pictured l. to r.: 2007–2008 APSA Minority Fellow, Michael Jackson; 2007 RBSI Scholars: Lawrence Walker, Giselle Sedano, Rachel Gillum. Dr. Lorenzo Morris, Howard University, and Dr. Paula McClain, Duke University, director of Ralph Bunche Summer Institute.

The Ralph Bunche Summer Institute is named for past APSA President (1953), UN Diplomat, and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Dr. Ralph J. Bunche. Dr. Bunche was also the first African American to receive a Ph.D. in political science. The Ralph Bunche Summer Institute has been hosted at Duke University since 2000. The institute is an intensive five week academic and professional development program designed to assist in preparing African American, Latino/Latina, and Native American college students for graduate work in political science. The program provides academic credit, mentoring, and training in statistical analysis and the substantive area of race and ethnicity in political science. Under the leadership of Dr. Paula McClain and with the funding support of the National Science Foundation, Duke University, and APSA, this program has helped to simulate the graduate experience for over 400 undergraduates. Former RBSI participants include those who have gone on to attend graduate school and receive their Ph.D.s in political science. Bunche Scholars have also been the recipients of fellowships from the National Science Foundation, the Ford Foundation, and APSA.

To further the goal of professional development, APSA sponsors 10 RBSI Scholars' participation in the APSA Annual Meeting. While at the meeting, students present posters and network with scholars. At the 2007 Annual Meeting, APSA held the first annual RBSI and Minority Fellows Program Scholars Coffee Hour. Hosted by Dr. Kimberly Mealy, APSA program director for educational, professional and minority Initiatives, this networking event gave RBSI Scholars an opportunity to meet with faculty members, former Bunche Scholars and current, and former APSA Minority Fellows.

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