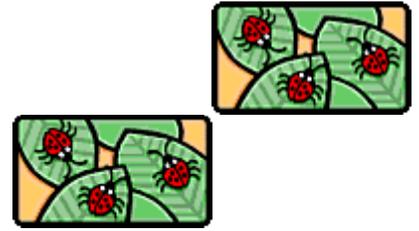




SWS-South

Newsletter

Spring 2006



President's Corner

March is here and in just a few weeks we will all see each other again for what looks to be a wonderful meeting in New Orleans. Although I admit to some anxiety about seeing my favorite city in the aftermath of Katrina, there is much to look forward to. Many thanks to Angela Lewellyn Jones for putting together a superb program (see the program listing below). I'm also happy to report that SSS President, Judith Blau, invited SWS-South to co-sponsor Cynthia Fuchs Epstein's plenary session on Thursday afternoon. We all need to hug and thank Shannon Davis for taking on the major task of organizing the combined SWS-S and SSS silent auction. Please help Shannon in any way you can - bring items to donate and cash to spend, and volunteer to sit at the SWS-S table and collect items for the auction. This is one small way we can help our colleagues recover from the devastation of hurricanes Katrina and Rita and continue to support the ASA Minority Scholarship.

While we are all tempted by the music and food in New Orleans, do leave time in your schedule to attend the SWS-S business meeting on Friday evening at 9:00. Yes, I know it is Friday night, but I promise it will not be a long meeting. We do need to elect officers for the coming year, so in good SWS-S tradition don't be afraid to nominate yourself! We will need a new President, Secretary, and Treasurer/Membership chair, and Archivist. Please drop me an e-mail (winfieldi@cofc.edu) if you are shy and would like someone to nominate you for a particular office.

See you all in New Orleans!

Idee Winfield



Celebrations, Updates and Announcements

Shannon Davis has accepted a position as Assistant Professor of Sociology at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia! She will join the faculty at GMU in August 2006.

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FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR/TREASURER:

It's time again to renew your membership with SWS-South! Our membership year runs April 1 – March 31; thanks to those who have already renewed their memberships.

The Executive Committee has decided that SWS-South will follow the leadership of SWS and not require dues for the 2006-2007 membership year from all renewing members living or working in areas affected by Hurricane Katrina. Any member wishing to renew under this policy needs simply to email me (shannon_davis@unc.edu) with notification of their intent to renew and I'll take care of the rest. In your email, please include your current address.

The membership form is included in this newsletter. Please take a minute to *make copies for your colleagues and students*, complete your renewal, and then mail the forms to me prior to the SWS-South Business Meeting. Consider giving your student who just defended their master's thesis, passed a comprehensive exam, defended their dissertation proposal, etc., a gift membership. Don't forget that colleague who successfully negotiated their third-year review or who EARNED TENURE! A gift membership to SWS-South is a wonderful way to publicly celebrate the accomplishments of our students and colleagues as well as to share the feminist vision for the Southern Sociological Society that is embodied in SWS-South.

If you accidentally forget to mail your membership form before the SSS meetings I will have forms on hand to be completed at the SWS-South Business Meeting.

As you may have noticed, our silent auction is going to be a little bit bigger this year. The SSS-wide auction will be a wonderful opportunity for feminist praxis; it also provides excellent publicity for SWS-South. This year we will be asking SSS members to drop off auction items at the SWS-South table. In addition, and to inspire people to attend the auction, we will be displaying some of the donated artwork in the exhibition hall at our SWS-South table. To facilitate this auction item collection and to maintain control of the donated artwork, I'll need a few volunteers to sit at our table in the exhibition hall at various times during the meeting (especially on Thursday during the day and Friday morning) and a few volunteers to help with the auction set-up Friday 3:00 - 4:30pm. E-MAIL ME DIRECTLY (shannon_davis@unc.edu) if you are willing to donate even an hour of your time. I'll contact you as time draws nearer with more details.

See y'all in New Orleans!

Shannon Davis



Minutes of the SWS-South Business Meeting

14 April 2005
8:30pm-9:20pm
Charlotte, NC

Idee Winfield, President, welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that we all introduce ourselves. After introductions we approved the 2004 minutes. Last year we agreed that we would not read the minutes at each meeting, but that they would be published in the newsletter immediately prior to the SSS annual meeting. Maria Febbo-Hunt included the 2004 minutes in the most recent newsletter, and the 2004 minutes were approved. Idee encouraged us to pay our dues

Reports of Officers and Committee Chairs:

Vice President, Shelia Cotton: Shelia enthusiastically reported that we have sponsored fourteen sessions this year, up from six last year, and she encouraged us to help organize sessions next year. She passed around a sign-up sheet to solicit participation and ideas for next year. Excerpts from her report follows:

We have a total of 14 sessions that SWS-S is co-sponsoring this year [with the Sociological Practice Committee and the Committee on the Status of Women. Shelia also worked with the SSS Program Chairs regarding scheduling of sessions, created a flier with a list of our sessions and posted these to the SWS-S listserv]. Thanks to all the organizers and to the participants! We have a wonderful series of sessions that range from applying sociology to mentoring to researching music, motherhood, films, and women to celebrating feminist scholarship (and more!). In addition, we are once again doing the Informal Lunch Gatherings on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of the conference. We are also holding the ASA Minority Scholarship Silent Auction this year and holding our business meeting after the Auction on Thursday night.

Treasurer, Shannon Davis: Shannon reported that last year's balance was \$1,788.53 and this year's balance is \$1,843.64. Last year our funds supported the Minority Scholarship Fund (\$531), SWS National Liaison (\$561.35), badge ribbons for 2005 meeting (\$102.16), newsletter (\$58.39), and bank fees (\$3.00). Our balance as of April 14 is \$1,788.53. The 2005 silent auction total: \$671.51.

Newsletter Editor/Membership Chair, Maria Febbo-Hunt: Maria reported that she received good feedback and suggestions. After discussion, we decided that the summer and fall newsletters would be print versions and the spring newsletter would be an electronic version, sent just before the SSS annual meeting. The fall letter would contain a call for papers and a request for membership renewal. Also, the electronic newsletter will be archived (as well as the print newsletters, I assume).

Nomination for Service Award Committee Report:

Tom Hood explained the nomination and awards process. We had lots of discussion as to how this process works and the circumstances that tend to prevent people from nominating or getting nominated. Tom agreed to be the "point person" for another year. This process is still under consideration.

The **Vision Committee** did not have a report and we agreed that we would revisit the vision for the vision committee if we so desired (couldn't resist that one).

Archivist:

Susan Ambler explained her duties. She keeps notes, reports, basically any documents of our organization. The need to document our history became apparent when we were trying to find our by-laws. She encouraged us to send any relevant documents to her.

Journal Reviewers:

Pat Martin encouraged anyone interested in reviewing journal articles for publication to send her a resume, a list of journals that you've reviewed for before, a discussion of your background as to what type of articles you would be qualified to review. Rebecca Adams encouraged us to review. She explained that this is how she started reviewing. Pat mentioned that she is editing a new journal called *Gender, Work and Organizations*. Rebecca especially encouraged graduate students to review.

New Business:

Our By-laws have been simplified thanks to Beth Rushing and were approved.

Cathy Zimmer suggested that under "appointed officers" in section 1 we change "electronic keeper" to "list serve keeper." Also in section 4 we will add letter "k": "website keeper."

Pat Martin suggested that we give an outstanding graduate student or undergraduate student a free SWS membership.

Liaison:

Susan and Leslie were our liaisons this year. They attended the SWS winter conference and briefly reported on an enriching experience. A full report will appear in *Network News*. Idee explained to newcomers that this gives SWS-S more visibility within the national organization.

Idee explained how this program works, funding, etc., and we held an election for our liaison nominees: Christine Werner, Brooke Kelly, Elizabeth Scheff, and Margaret Leaf. We drew names out of a hat and selected Christine Werner and Margaret Leaf. Elizabeth Scheff is the alternate.

Elections:

Idee thanked everyone for all the work they do.

Vice-president Shelia Cotton explained the job of VP. She said the VP works closely with the president organizing sessions and creating a flier with all the SWS-S sponsored sessions. She asked people what they would like to see in terms of our focus in the next year. A few ideas were to focus on students and mentoring.

Diane nominated Angela to be the new VP, and Angela accepted.

Secretary: Idee asked Sandra to serve as secretary for another year to get us back on our regular interval as to when new secretaries are elected. She agreed.

Announcements:

Leslie Hossfeld announced that a Job Loss in Rural America conference was going to be held in Lumberton, NC (Robeson County) on September 23-24, 2005.

Susan Ambler announced that Just Connections was holding its annual conference on community-based education and social justice in Maryville, TN June 3-5, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Godwin
2004-2006 SWS-South Secretary



SILENT AUCTION TO BENEFIT KATRINA RELIEF FUND, KATRINA SURVIVORS



SWS-South typically organizes a silent auction at the annual SSS meeting to benefit the ASA Minority Fellowship program. This year, in conjunction with President Judith Blau and the New Orleans Local Arrangement Committee, SWS-South is coordinating a Silent Auction that will benefit not only the ASA Minority Fellowship Program, but the SSS Katrina Relief Fund and Gulf Coast Historically Black Colleges that were affected by Hurricane Katrina as well. But the success of this venture depends on you. We need your donations for the auction, and we need you to be present at the Annual Meeting to bid on and purchase some of the treasures for yourself. This is definitely one event you won't want to miss!

Did you receive unwanted or duplicate Christmas, Hanukkah, or Kwanzaa gifts?

- Save them for the Silent Auction (Remember, one person's junk is another's treasure.)

Just published a new book?

- Consider donating an autographed copy for the auction.

Have a creative hobby?

- Make a one-of-a-kind item to donate!

In addition to member-donated items, the auction will feature a New Orleans-themed mural and other crafts by New Orleans artisans.

Visit the Local Arrangements Committee Website for information on some auction items:

http://sssconference2006.blogspot.com/2006_02_01_sssconference2006_archive.html

Bring your donations to the SSS Meeting in New Orleans or mail them to either of the auction's co-organizers, Shannon Davis (SWS-South Treasurer) or Danielle Hidalgo (Local Arrangements Chair).

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*** (use UPS or FedEx to send items to Danielle) ***

**SWS-S Co-Sponsored Sessions & Events for the 2006 SSS Annual Meetings
(Final Program)**

Thursday, March 23, 8:30 – 10am

Session 1: Research Service Learning: Engaging Undergrads in Community-Based Research (in Pontalba Room)

Session 2: Sociology of the Body (in Beauregard Room)

Thursday, March 23, 10:15 – 11:45am

Author-meets-critics, Session 15:

Rape Work: Victims, Gender, and Emotions in Organization and Community Context / Author: Pat Yancey Martin (in Beauregard Room)

Friday, March 24, 9:45 – 11:15am

Author-meets-critics, Session 62:

Fighting for Time: Shifting Boundaries of Work & Social Life / Author: Cynthia Epstein (in Royal Room)

Session 65: Queer & Beyond: Shifting family forms in the 21st Century (in Cathedral Room)

Friday, March 24, 3 – 4:30pm

Session 98: Finding a Feminist Friendly Department: On the job search (in the Board Room)

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Saturday, March 25, 9:45 – 11:30am

Session 117: Still Searching for the 30-hour day: Institutional & Personal Challenges to Tenure-Track Parenting (in Bonnet Carre Room)

SOCIOLOGISTS FOR WOMEN IN SOCIETY - SOUTH MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name (please print): _____

Home Address: _____

Work Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Fax: _____

Please place an asterisk next to your preferred mailing address.

1. Are you interested in serving on a committee in the Southern Sociological Society? If so, check the committees in which you are interested and for which you feel qualified to serve.

- Committee on the Profession Program Committee Site Selection Committee
- Elections Committee Committee on Sociology in Small Colleges Honors Committee
- Committee on the Status of Women Nominations Committee
- Committee on Racial and Ethnic Minorities Committee on Policy Research and Applications

2. Are you interested in running for an office or serving on a committee in SWS-South? If so, check the office in which you are interested and for which you feel qualified to serve.

- President Vice President Secretary Treasurer/Membership Chair
- Newsletter Editor SWS-South Archivist Journal Liaison SWS-National Liaison

Dues: \$10 New member \$15 Regular \$5 Students and Unemployed Contribution: \$ _____
(The membership year is April 1 - March 31)

PLEASE MAIL THIS COMPLETED FORM, ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK FOR DUES TO:

Dr. Shannon N. Davis
Carolina Population Center
University Square
123 West Franklin St.
Chapel Hill, NC 27516-2524

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Would you like to review books and/or referee journal manuscripts?

If so, please fill out the form below and mail (with a recent CV) to:
Pat Martin, Department of Sociology, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306-2270

Name (please print): _____

Work Address: _____

Work Phone: _____

e-mail : _____

Areas of specialization:

List **three journals** for which you wish to do book reviews and/or serve as a referee? (Please rank from 1-3.)