

ARKANSAS POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

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NEWSLETTER

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APSA Convention Set For Feb. 27-28 In Hot Springs

APSA will hold its annual meeting in 1976 jointly with the Arkansas chapter of the American Society of Public Administrators at the Arlington Hotel in Hot Springs February 27-28, Friday and Saturday. The details of the program are covered in the attached memo from Charles Dunn, program chairman. Other members of the Program Committee are Robert Savage, Carolyn Zinn, Tae Nam, Dale Enoch and John Zeigler.

Double rooms at the Arlington will be \$28 and singles are not much less. Please note that reservations must be sent in by January 15.

Anderson New APSA President

Joel Anderson of UALR, vice-president of APSA, has succeeded Pete Kidman of ASU as president of the organization. Kidman resigned as president after leaving the state. Anderson was formally recognized as president at a meeting of the Executive Board at UALR October 11.

Nominating Committee Appointed

Anderson appointed Walter Carr chairman of the Nominating Committee and Tom Slinkard, Diane Kincaid, Bill Echols and Merrill Pritchett as members. They will submit nominations for new officers at the February meeting.

Copies of APSA Constitution Available

The APSA Constitution, drafted by a committee headed by Tae Nam and approved at last year's meeting, has been reproduced in quantity and is available from the UALR Political Science Department. Copies will be distributed at Hot Springs.

MEMO

TO: Arkansas Political Scientists

FROM: Charles D. Dunn, Chairman  
Program Chairman

The Program Committee of the Arkansas Political Science Association has approved the following items regarding the 1976 convention of the Arkansas Political Science Association:

- (1) The APSA will meet in conjunction with the Arkansas chapter of the American Society of Public Administrators and will share responsibility for some panels with ASPA;
- (2) The Convention will be held in the Arlington Hotel (Hot Springs, Arkansas) on February 27-28, 1976;
- (3) Two speakers--a professional Political Scientist and a politician--have been invited to the Convention. Dr. John Manley (Stanford University) will speak to us at our evening meal, Friday (February 27) and Attorney General Jim Guy Tucker will speak to us at lunch, Saturday (February 28).
- (4) The following schedule has been approved (paper titles are provided where available):

Friday, February 27, 1976

10:00-2:00 Registration

1:30-3:00 A. Teaching Political Science Roundtable

Robert Johnston (UALR), coordinator

Clyde C. Jones (ASU), "Status of Civics in Arkansas Public Secondary Schools"

Robert Meriwether (Hendrix), Discussant

(The goal of this "Roundtable" is to allow all participants to share ideas as to the procedures and problems of teaching political science. The format is highly informal, with only one paper serving as a point of departure.)

B. Public Administration

Jim Lynch (Little Rock City Manager's Office), Chairman  
(Topics to be announced.)

3:00-4:30 A. International Relations/Comparative

Simms McClintock (UCA), Chairman  
Afak Haydar (ASU), (no title)  
Kurt Tweraser (UAF), "Senator Fulbright, Alternative World  
Order Futures and the United Nations, 1943-73"  
Peter Vanneman and Allen Davenport, "The Sale of Arkansas  
Soybeans to the Soviet Union: Political, Legal, and  
Economic Problems and Prospects."

B. Legislative Process

Jeddy LeVar (HSU), Chairman  
Robert Johnston (UALR), "Evaluating Change in a Part-Time  
Legislature: Arkansas 1965-1975"  
Cal Ledbetter (UALR), "The Constitutional Convention of 1975  
and Some Remaining Constitutional Problems"  
Donald Whistler (UCA), "Substantive and Procedural Norms of  
the Ways and Means Committee"  
Walter Carr (Tech), Discussant

5:00-6:30 Hospitality Hour (and-a-half)

7:00-9:30 Dinner--Speaker: Dr. John Manley (Stanford)

Saturday, February 28, 1976

8:00-9:30 A.M. Breakfast and Business Meeting (Arkansas Political Science  
Association)

10:00-12:00 A. American Political Behavior

Carolyn Zinn (ASU) Chairman  
Nelwyn Davis (Student, UALR), "Comparative Study of the  
Arkansas House of Representatives"  
Robert Savage (UAF), "Politics in Fayetteville: Gemeinschaft  
or Gesellschaft?"  
David Valentine (UAM), "The Independent Voter: Myth and  
Reality"  
William Burns (ASU), Discussant

B. Teaching Public Administration Roundtable

(Participants to be announced.)

12:00-1:30 Luncheon--Speaker: The Honorable Jim Guy Tucker,  
Attorney General of Arkansas

1:30 Adjournment

Registration cards for the Arlington Hotel are provided in this mailing. Please complete the registration card (mark ARK. POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOC. in the space provided) and mail it at once. Our convention occurs during Racing Season and there is a heavy demand for hotel rooms; indeed, we could "book" only thirty rooms for the Convention. The sooner you act, the greater your chance of having a room reserved. In any event, reservations MUST be made by January 15, 1976. We will lose all unreserved rooms on that date.

I think this convention not only offers an opportunity to share research and teaching endeavors, but also provides an opportunity to build a fellowship of Political Scientists and Public Administrators in Arkansas. Hot Springs is a great place to be during Racing Season. I look forward to seeing you there in February.