



Latin American and Caribbean Section

Southern Historical Association

LACS/SHA Newsletter March 2008

From the Editor...

Greetings! We introduce this newsletter to keep members and friends of the Latin American and Caribbean Section (LACS) of the Southern Historical Association (SHA) informed about the goings on in our organization. As a former LACS president, program chair and, most recently, LACS representative to the SHA Executive Council, being Managing Editor of the LACS Newsletter offers me a way to stay involved with a great group of people.

The Southern Historical Association was founded in 1934 primarily as a professional organization of historians *of* the South, but also of those *in* the South. In recent decades it has become more recognized as the former, but through the European History Section and the Latin American and Caribbean Section, and the affiliated groups, the Southern Association for Women Historians (SAWH) and the Southern Conference on British Studies, it also supports the work of historians located in the US South whose research and teaching areas fall outside of the region in which they happen to be employed.

Although historians of Latin America, the Caribbean and the Spanish Borderlands have long been active in the SHA, particularly through the aegis of the Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies (SECOLAS, founded in 1954), the relationship has sometimes been an awkward one. To formalize relations between historians of Latin America and the Caribbean, on the one hand, and the SHA on the other hand, and to secure a place for Latin American and Caribbean specialists at the annual meeting, LACS was formally established in 1998 at the SHA meeting in Birmingham, Alabama. The late Kimberly Hanger, a talented young historian at the University of Tulsa who played an important role in establishing the group, was elected its first president. Tragically, Kim died just a few months into her term, at the age of 37 (each year a LACS panel is designated in her honor). Jürgen Buchenau of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, another key figure in the establishment of LACS, completed Kim's term in office and then his own term the following year. Jürgen later became the first LACS representative to the SHA Executive Council in 2002. The LACS representative was accorded full voting rights beginning with the 2005 meeting.

In addition to these and other founders of LACS, we want to acknowledge SHA Secretary-Treasurer John Inscoe of the University of Georgia, who has been especially helpful in supporting LACS' participation in the SHA and advancing the exchange of ideas among historians of the US South and the historians of Latin America, the Caribbean and the Spanish Borderlands. We will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of LACS' founding at the New Orleans meeting of October 2008 with numerous special events. Please join us! In the meantime, I hope you find the following information to be of interest.

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From the President...

The Latin American and Caribbean Section of the Southern Historical Association is the professional home to more than seventy scholars who specialize in the history of Latin America, Caribbean, Borderlands, and the Atlantic World. We offer its members a collegial environment for networking with others, as well as a forum for presenting new ideas and original research. Each year we have the honor of hosting a Distinguished Lecture during our business meeting and luncheon. In New Orleans we will have the pleasure of hearing about the latest research of Dr. Dauril Alden, Professor Emeritus at the University of Washington, on the history of corsairs. We offer the highly esteemed Murdo J. MacLeod Book Prize, a Best Article prize now on an annual basis, along with the Ralph Lee Woodward Jr. Prize for the best student paper presented at the conference.

Our immediate plans for 2008 are to introduce this newsletter, redesign our website, expand our membership numbers, and celebrate our upcoming tenth anniversary in New Orleans. We will be having a poster session celebrating our members' books that have been published these past ten years. A joint poster will be displayed at the Book Exhibits Hall at the Sheraton Hotel in New Orleans so that our organization will have greater visibility within the Southern Historical Association. Individual posters will be on hand at a special reception that will be held at the home of Dr. Virginia Gould, one of our Past Presidents, who resides in the French Quarter (date and time to be announced). Sherry Johnson, Past President, will be organizing a hospitality suite for New Orleans, especially to greet any new members.

I wish to extend my gratitude to those who have already joined us for being a valuable member of our historical society. For those who are considering joining us, our dues are quite reasonable, especially for graduate students. I strongly encourage you to become a member. Our sessions are very well attended by faculty, graduate students, and independent scholars. You will find a high level of excitement and enthusiasm about our intellectual endeavors.

I wish all of you a warm welcome to our organization during this exciting tenth year.

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LACS Officers, 2007-8

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For further information visit the SHA/LACS website, hosted by Theron Corse of Tennessee State University:

<http://www.tnstate.edu/lacs/>

Recent LACS Prize Winners

2007 Murdo J. MacLeod Prize, for the best book by a LACS member in the fields of Latin American and Caribbean, Borderlands and Atlantic World History that appeared in 2005 or 2006:

Winner: Bianca Premo, *Children of the Father King: Youth, Authority, and Legal Minority in Colonial Lima* (University of North Carolina Press, 2005)

Prize Committee's description: "Bianca Premo's wonderful monograph is . . . a pioneering work . . . Premo delves deeply into the archival materials to forge a complex, nuanced and fascinating portrait of childhood in the capital of the Viceroyalty of Peru from the mid-seventeenth to the early nineteenth century. Bringing together legal, intellectual, and social history, Premo convincingly argues that the Bourbon Reforms helped forge a 'new politics of the child' by the nineteenth century that reshaped and challenges notions of patriarchy. One of the great contributions of the book is to show how patriarchy is a set of power relations based on age, caste, social class, and gender."

Honorable Mention: Jorge Cañizares-Esguerra, *Puritan Conquistadors: Iberianizing the Atlantic, 1550-1700* (Stanford University Press, 2006)

Prize Committee's description: "This bold comparative study of Spanish and Puritan discourses of colonization makes important contributions to the history of the Atlantic world. Based on a broad and deep reading of sources in English, Spanish (and occasionally) Portuguese, Cañizares-Esguerra cleverly and persuasively argues that the traditionally demarcated 'differences' between Spanish and English colonization, and their demonological discourses, are in fact much more similar than historians have realized. *Puritan Conquistadors* provides stimulating and provocative ideas that will challenge all historians of the Atlantic world."

Thanks to committee members Marshall Eakin of Vanderbilt and Jay Clune of UWF who read the 23 submissions.

2006 Best Article Prize (for an article published in 2004 or 2005)

Paulo Drinot, "Madness, Neurasthenia and 'Modernity:' Medico-Legal and Popular Interpretations of Suicide in Early Twentieth-Century Lima," *Latin American Research Review*, 39:2 (2004).

Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Prize, for the best graduate student paper presented at the annual meeting:

2007 Tatiana Seijas, Yale University, "*Indios Chinos* in Colonial Mexico's *República de Indios*"

2006 Pablo Gomez, Vanderbilt University, "Slavery and Disability in Cartagena de Indias, Nuevo Reino de Granada"

2008 Prizes and Committees (*deadline for submissions June 1, 2008*)

Murdo J. MacLeod Book Prize, for the best book by a LACS member in the fields of Latin American and Caribbean, Borderlands or Atlantic World History that appeared in print in 2007:

Committee:

Francie Chassen-Lopez, University of Kentucky, Committee Chair (frclopz@uky.edu)
Dauril Alden, University of Washington (emeritus)
Susan Deans-Smith, University of Texas at Austin
Bianca Premo, Florida International University

Send one copy of the book to each committee member (4 in total) at the following:

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LACS/SHA Article Prize, for the best article by a LACS member in the fields of Latin American and Caribbean, Borderlands, or Atlantic World History --2006 and 2007:

Committee:

Jay Clune, UWF, Committee Chair
Juliana Barr, University of Florida
Doug Sullivan-Gonzalez, University of Mississippi
Joann Supplee, Baylor University

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Graduate student presenters at the SHA meeting in New Orleans are eligible for **the Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Paper Prize**, presented for the best graduate student paper on Latin American and Caribbean, Borderlands or Atlantic World history presented at the 2008 SHA meeting. The committee is as follows:

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Rosanne Adderley, Vanderbilt University
Matt Childs, Florida State University

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2007 LACS PROGRAM (Richmond, VA, October 30-November 3, 2007)

The 2007 LACS Program was organized by William Connell of Christopher Newport University, with the assistance of Jay Clune and Michael Polushin.

LACS presented one panel per session, as is the standard practice, and a Phi Alpha Theta session (see below). In addition, an SHA panel not organized by LACS was devoted to “Latinos in the US South 1850-2006.” The panels were well attended -- a strong indication of the maturing of LACS and its increasing integration into the SHA.

The LACS panels were as follows:

Imperialism on the Gulf Coast

Andrew McMichael (WKU) presided and Kathryn Holland Braund (Auburn) commented:

- Jim Cusick (UF Library): “Alachua Chiefs King Payne and Bowlegs: Policies Leading Up to the First Seminole War, 1780-1812”
- Andrew Frank (FSU): “In the Face of Conquest: Seminole Culture and the Preservation of Political Sovereignty in the Long War”
- Joe Knetsch (Florida Department of Environmental Protection): “Expansion of the Southern Cattle Industry and its Impact on the Push of Anglo Culture into Florida”

Race and Power in the Nineteenth- and Twentieth Century Caribbean

(*The Kimberly Hanger Memorial Panel*) Matt Childs (FSU) presided and commented:

- Wendi Manuel Scott (George Mason): “Commodified Identities: Caribbean Migrant Labor in the Northeast
- Nona P. Martin and Virgil Storr (George Mason): “Owning Bay Street: Economic Hegemony of Nassau’s Merchant Class, 1942-1967

Revolutionary and Post-Revolutionary Change in Mexico

James Garza (Nebraska) presided and commented:

- Andreae Marak (California University of Pennsylvania): “The Mormons and Mennonites as Cultural Role Models in Post-Revolutionary Mexico”
- Nichole Sanders (Lynchburg College): “Family Disorganization when the Mother Works: Mexican Attitudes Towards Working Mothers, 1940-1970”

Colonial Immigrants Shaping Culture in Early Latin America

William Connell (Christopher Newport) presided and Trey Proctor (Denison) commented:

- Tatiana Seijas (Yale): “Chinos in Colonial Mexico’s *República de Indios*”
- Kevin Dawson (UNLV): “A Culture of Cleanliness: West African Slaves, Hygiene and their Influence on Western Cleanliness”
- Douglas Mann (Liberty University): “He. . . Lives Genteely”: Gentility and Refinement in Eighteenth-Century Kingston, Jamaica”

Gender Ideology and Gender Practices in Spanish America and New France

Kris Lane (William and Mary) presided and commented:

- Tamara Harvey (George Mason): “Hagiography and Community: Resisting Female Exceptionalism in Hagiographical Writing by and about Women”
- Joan Bristol (George Mason): “Bravery, Modesty, and Indefatigable Zeal: Religious Ideas for Men and Women in Eighteenth-Century Mexico”
- William Van Norman (James Madison): “Sugar, Coffee, and Female Slaves during the Cuban Plantation Boom”

Phi Alpha Theta – Latin American

Sherry Johnson (FIU) presided and Jane Landers (Vanderbilt) commented:

- Erika Edwards (FIU): “Gender and Nation Building in Afro-Argentine Cofradías and Cabildos”
- Lindsey Newman (CNU): “Nahua-Christian Interaction in Sixteenth-Century Mexico”

The *luncheon address* was given by FIU’s distinguished colonial historian, **N. David Cook**. The title was “Anecdotes from the Archives: The Times They Are A-Changing.” Professor Cook talked about his (and his wife Alexandra’s) experiences in the archives of Spain and Spanish America and how things have changed over the years. He noted the professionalization of staffs, the impact of technology, and the boons (in some places) of central air and heating. He stressed the importance of patience, good language skills, courteous relations with archive personnel – especially those who actually handle the documents, and giving back to the host communities and countries and their students and scholars.

Barbara Ganson arranged and presided over the LACS Executive Committee Breakfast Friday morning.

Richmond Brown (UF) and **Donald McKale** (Clemson), Executive Council representatives of the SHA’s Latin American and Caribbean Section and European History Section, respectively, organized an informal meeting of the officers of the two groups. We hope to make this an annual occurrence and to enhance exchanges and collaboration between the two sections. **John Insoe** graciously provided the use of the SHA suite at the Richmond Marriott Hotel (the meeting headquarters) for the meeting.

2008 LACS PROGRAM (New Orleans, October 9-12, 2008)

2008 will be the 10th anniversary of the formal founding of LACS and we'll be commemorating that fact at the New Orleans meeting. Plans are in the works for a reception at **Ginger Gould's** place in the French Quarter and special events to be determined at Tulane University's Stone Center for Latin American Studies and Latin American Library. In addition to the LACS panels noted below, SHA President **Leon Litwack** has arranged for two special panels of Cuban scholars.

LACS-SHA 2008 Program Committee:

Rosanne Adderley, Vanderbilt University (Chair)
William Connell, Christopher Newport University
Jay Clune, University of West Florida
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The LACS luncheon speaker will be **Dauril Alden**, Professor Emeritus of History, University of Washington: "Terror on Land and Sea: The Barbary Corsairs and Their Rivals, 16th to 19th Centuries"

Tentative Panels:

Enslavement of Indians in New Spain

Presiding: Donald Chipman, University of North Texas
Comment: Susan Deeds, University of New Mexico

- Ida Altman (University of Florida): "Slave Raiding and Spanish Settlement in New Galicia"
- Robinson A. Herrera (Florida State University): "Native Slavery and Agricultural Settlements in Early Spanish Guatemala"
- Juliana Barr (University of Florida): "'Traces of Christians': Bondage in Spanish Texas"
- José Cuello (Wayne State University): "Spanish Forms of Enslavement & Indigenous Resistance in Colonial Mexican Northeast"

Mexico's U.S. & Caribbean Borders: New Perspectives

Presiding: James D. Huck, Stone Center, Tulane University
Comment: Gregory Crider, Wingate University

- Timothy Henderson (Auburn University Montgomery): "Mexico Meets the New South (1884 Cotton Exposition, New Orleans)"
- Jürgen Buchenau (UNC, Charlotte): "General Abelardo Rodríguez and the Making of Baja, California 1920-1940"
- Rachel Chico (Clemson University): "Caribbean Outpost: Jalapa, Veracruz & Redefining Coastal Culture in 19th-Century Mexico"

Race, Nation & Identity Construction in 19th & 20th Century South America

Presiding: Edith Wolfe, Stone Center, Tulane University

Comment: Seth Garfield, University of Texas, Austin

- Gregg Bocketti (Transylvania University): “Early Football Spectatorship and the First Republic of Brazil”
- Nicola Foote (Florida Gulf Coast University): “Race, Intellectuals and Indigenous Heritage in Ecuador, 1870-1960”
- Ana Lucia Araujo (University of Ottawa/Carleton University): “Zumbi and the Black Admiral: Constructing Afro-Brazilian Historical Heroes”

Black Society in the Late Colonial Gulf South and Caribbean

Presiding: Virginia Gould, Tulane University

Comment: Jane Landers, Vanderbilt University

- Richmond F. Brown (University of Florida): “Enslaved and Free Blacks in Spanish Mobile, 1780-1813”
- H. Sophie Burton (Independent Scholar): “Enslaved, Free Blacks & Mulattoes in Ouachita Post: the Case of Zadoc Harmon, 1780-1813”
- Keith A. Manuel (University of Florida): “Slavery, Ethnicity and Marriage in Nineteenth-Century Havana”

Writing Race, Nation & Empire Across the Americas

Presiding: Natalie J. Ring, University of Texas, Dallas

Comment: Marilyn G. Miller, Tulane University

- Jana Evans Braziel (University of Cincinnati): “Challenges to U.S. Imperial Designs by Frederick Douglass and José Martí”
- Sarah Ann Wells (University of California at Berkeley): “Race, Modernism & Comparison: Gilberto Freyre’s US South”
- James Nichols (SUNY Stony Brook): “Olmsted’s Travel Writing and “Raceing” the US/Mexico Border”

Proposed Phi Alpha Theta Panel: Racialized Labor Struggles in the Modern Caribbean & Gulf South

Presiding: Amy Bellone-Hite, Xavier University of Louisiana
Comment: Ted Henken, Baruch College, CUNY

- Jensen Branscombe (University of Alabama): “‘Always Cuba in Your Heart’: Cuban Resettlement in Alabama During the 1960s”
- Zhandarka Kurti (SUNY Binghamton): “Ethnoracialized Labor in Mid 19th-Century US South & Puerto Rico”
- Leo B. Gorman (University of New Orleans): “Immigrant Labor Strife and Solidarity in Post-Katrina New Orleans”
- Gary T. Van Cott (Tulane University): “Laboring Experience of New Orleans Banana Workforce in Comparative Context”

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THE HISTORY OF LACS

Long-time LACS member **John Britton** (Francis Marion University) is working on a brief history of LACS/SHA to be presented at the 2008 Meeting in New Orleans and featured in the next newsletter. In the meantime, please note the following:

LACS/SHA Officers and Awards, 1998-2008

President

Kimberly Hanger, University of Tulsa (1998-9)
Jürgen Buchenau, University of North Carolina, Charlotte (1999-2000)
Todd Diacon, University of Tennessee (2000-1)
Tim Henderson, Auburn University Montgomery (2001-2)
Richmond Brown, University of South Alabama (2002-3)
Marshall Eakin, Vanderbilt University (2003-4)
Virginia Gould, Tulane University (2004-5)
Andrew McMichael, Western Kentucky University (2005-6)
Sherry Johnson, Florida International University (2006-7)
Barbara Ganson, Florida Atlantic University (2007-8)
Matt Childs, University of South Carolina (president-elect for 2008-9)

Treasurer

Rosemary Brana-Shute, College of Charleston (1998-2003)
Andrew McMichael, WKU (2003-2005)
Michael LaRosa, Rhodes College (2005-present)

Secretary

Rosemary Brana-Shute, College of Charleston (1998-2003)
Andrew McMichael, WKU (2003-2005)
Theron Corse, Tennessee State (2005-present)

Program Chairs

Todd Diacon, UT (Louisville, 2000)
Tim Henderson, AUM (New Orleans, 2001)
Richmond Brown, USA (Baltimore, 2002)
Andrew McMichael, WKU (Houston, 2003)
Jane Landers, Vanderbilt (Memphis, 2004)
Michael Polushin, USM (Atlanta, 2005)
Jay Clune, UWF (Birmingham, 2006)
William Connell, CNU (Richmond, 2007)
Rosanne Adderley, Vanderbilt (New Orleans, 2008)
Andrew McMichael, WKU (Louisville, 2009)

Executive Council Representative

Jürgen Buchenau, UNC Charlotte (2002-2004)
Richmond Brown, University of Florida (2005-2007)
Sherry Johnson, Florida International University (2008-10)

Luncheon Speakers

- 2000 Murdo MacLeod, University of Florida: “Native Cofradías in Colonial Guatemala”
- 2001 Thomas Skidmore, Brown University: “Confessions of a Brazilianist”
- 2002 Franklin Knight, The Johns Hopkins University: “Regional vs. Global History”
- 2003 Thomas F. O’Brien, University of Houston: “Inter-American History from Structuralism to the New Cultural History”
- 2004 John Chasteen, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill: “What Dance History Teaches about the Latin American Past”
- 2005 Susan Socolow, Emory University: “Constructing the Nation: Monuments in Buenos Aires and Montevideo”
- 2006 Jane Landers, Vanderbilt University: “Ecclesiastical Records and the Study of Slavery in the Americas”
- 2007 N. David Cook, Florida International University: “Anecdotes from the Archives: The Times they are A-changing”

RL Woodward, Jr. Prize Winners (Best Graduate Student Paper)

- 2001 Matthew Smith, University of Florida: “Race, Resistance and Revolution in Post-Occupation Haiti, 1934-46”
- 2002 Barry Robinson, Vanderbilt University: “Treachery in Colotlan (Mexico): The Problem of Individual Agency in Regional Insurgency, 1810-1815”
- 2003 Sophie Burton, Texas Christian University: “Free Blacks in Natchitoches”
- 2004 David Wheat, Vanderbilt University: “Black Society in Havana”
- 2005 Magdalena Gomez, Florida International University: "La primera campaña de vacunación contra la viruela y el impacto del establecimiento de las Juntas de Vacuna en la administración de la salud pública, en el Caribe Hispano y la Capitanía de Venezuela, a comienzos del siglo XIX"
- 2006 Pablo Gomez, Vanderbilt University: “Slavery and Disability in Cartagena de Indias, Nuevo Reina de Granada”

2007 Tatiana Seijas, Yale University: “*Indios Chinos in Colonial Mexico’s República de Indios*”

Book Prize Winners (now the Murdo MacLeod Prize)

2003 Alejandro de la Fuente, *A Nation for All: Race, Inequality, and Politics in Twentieth-Century Cuba*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2001

2005 Barbara Ganson, *The Guaraní under Spanish Rule in the Río de la Plata*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2003

2007 Bianca Premo, *Children of the Father King: Youth, Authority, and Legal Minority in Colonial Lima*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2006.

Best Article Prize Winners

2002 Hal Langfur, "Uncertain Refuge: Frontier Formation and the Origins of the Botocudo War in Late-Colonial Brazil," *Hispanic American Historical Review* 82:2 (May 2002): 215-56.

2004 María Elena Martínez, “The Black Blood of New Spain: Limpieza de Sangre, Racial Violence, and Gendered Power in Early Colonial Mexico,” *William and Mary Quarterly*, July 2004.

2006 Paulo Drinot, “Madness, Neurasthenia and ‘Modernity:’ Medico-Legal and Popular Interpretations of Suicide in Early Twentieth-Century Lima” *Latin American Research Review*, 39:2 (2004).

2009 Call for Papers (deadline, October 1, 2008)

The Annual Meeting of the Latin American and Caribbean Section of the Southern Historical Association

November 5–8, 2009 Louisville, Kentucky

The Latin American and Caribbean Section (LACS) of the Southern Historical Association welcomes individual papers and panels for its meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, November 5 – 8, 2009.

LACS accepts papers and panels on all aspects of Latin American and Caribbean History, including the fields of the borderlands and the Atlantic World. The location of the 2009 meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, on the banks of the Ohio river, reminds us that major waterways help connect the interiors, the peripheries, and the centers. In keeping with that idea, panels and papers that highlight the connections between people, cultures, and areas of Latin America, the Caribbean, the Atlantic World, and the borderlands are especially welcome.

Each year LACS also sponsors one panel, entitled “The Kimberly Hanger Memorial Panel,” which in general has some connection to Louisiana or New Orleans history and/or the topics of race, gender and the colonial borderlands and the Caribbean.

Please note that the Program Committee may revise proposed panels. All panelists are required to be members of LACS. For information about membership, please visit the website at: <http://faculty.tnstate.edu/tcorse/lacs/lacshome.htm> or contact Michael LaRosa at Rhodes College at larosa@rhodes.edu

Submissions should include a 250-word abstract for each paper and a brief curriculum vitae for each presenter. Submissions should be sent via email attachment to: andrew.mcmichael@wku.edu.

We encourage faculty as well as advanced graduate students to submit panels and papers. Deadline for submissions is **October 1, 2008**. Complete panels are appreciated, but not required.

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Latin American and Caribbean Section

Southern Historical Association

March 10, 2008

Dear Colleague,

The Latin American & Caribbean Section (LACS) is flourishing as we enter our tenth year of affiliation with the Southern Historical Association, and we are looking forward to another exciting program in New Orleans, LA on October 9-12, 2008. At our meeting in Richmond this past year, LACS sponsored some excellent panels on the main program and our presence at the meeting has grown steadily for several years. Our luncheon speakers have included the distinguished historians Franklin Knight, Tom O'Brien, Murdo MacLeod, John Charles Chasteen, Susan Socolow, Jane Landers, and this past year Noble David Cook of Florida International University. We were delighted to present the 2007 *Ralph Lee Woodward Jr. Prize* to Tatiana Seijas of Yale University and the 2007 *Murdo MacLeod Prize* to Bianca Premo of Florida International University.

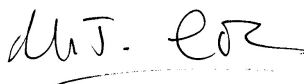
As an organization we are committed to promoting the study of Latin American, Caribbean, borderlands, and Atlantic World history. We also support scholarship that links Southern history to Latin American and Caribbean history and explores their shared pasts. I encourage you to renew your membership and help us fulfill this important mission; hopefully you can photocopy the membership form, and share it with your colleagues and graduate students.

Our annual dues of \$25.00 (only \$10.00 for graduate students) support a variety of activities. LACS members are affiliates of the Southern Historical Association and receive the annual program. LACS also awards book and article prizes and the Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Prize for best graduate paper presented at each meeting. All candidates for LACS-SHA prizes must be LACS-SHA members in good standing.

I hope you will join us at our meeting in New Orleans in November and support the scholars on our panels. I look forward to seeing you and thank you for your continued interest and participation.

Please return the attached flyer with your 2008 dues.

Yours truly,



Michael J. LaRosa
Treasurer

The Latin American and Caribbean Section of the Southern Historical Association 2008

The Latin American and Caribbean Section (LACS) of the Southern Historical Association was established in 1998 to promote the study of the history of Latin America and the Caribbean, particularly in the U.S. South.

Each year at the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association LACS sponsors five main panels, Phi Alpha Theta panels, and a luncheon with a featured speaker.

Additionally, LACS awards the annual Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Prize for the best graduate student paper presented at the annual meeting, the Murdo MacLeod Book Prize and a prize for the best article in Latin American and Caribbean history appearing in the previous calendar year.

The \$25 membership fee (\$10 for graduate students) brings the opportunity to present papers at the annual meetings and a copy of the program of the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association. Additionally, members make professional contacts, reconnect with colleagues, and support the study of Latin American and Caribbean History in the South.

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I have enclosed a check for \$25.00 payable to THE LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN SECTION OF THE SHA for the **2008** dues year.

I am a graduate student (include photocopy of student ID) and have enclosed a check for \$10.00 payable to THE LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN SECTION OF THE SHA FOR the **2008** dues year.

I have also enclosed a (US\$) _____ contribution to the book/article/Woodward Prize (circle one)

Choose:

16th Century

17th Century

18th Century

19th Century

20th Century

Choose:

Latin America

Caribbean

Borderlands

Other Fields of Interest (can include others from above):

Please contact me about serving on a committee.

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