



Latin American and Caribbean Section

Southern Historical Association

LACS/SHA Newsletter Fall 2009

From the President...

Welcome to the second year of notes from the President of the Latin American and Caribbean Section of the Southern Historical Association (LACS-SHA). My predecessor, Barbara Ganson, took the initiative of establishing a newsletter to welcome newly joined members, reconnect with old ones, and solicit historians throughout the region to join our association. Barbara charged her presidency with celebrating the tenth anniversary of the LACS-SHA and assessing the growth of our organization. Our first decade has witnessed the development of LACS into a visible and important part of the Southern Historical Association. I am confident the second decade will result in increasing our membership numbers and our overall presence as an organization for historians of Latin American, Caribbean, Borderlands and Atlantic history in the South.

Every year LACS-SHA organizes a luncheon and keynote speaker as part of our annual meeting. This year we are proud and honored to have Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr., Professor Emeritus, Tulane University, as our luncheon speaker. His talk will be entitled "Latin American History: Reflections on a Half-Century of Teaching and Research." Not only has Professor Woodward been a long time supporter of LACS-SHA, but many of his students have also followed his lead and played active roles in our organization.

Reflecting our growing membership, we now present our book and article prizes on a yearly basis. We award the Murdo J. MacLeod Book Prize, for the best book by a LACS member in the fields of Latin American, Caribbean, Borderlands, or Atlantic World History. We also award the LACS-SHA Article Prize, for the best article by a LACS member in the fields of Latin American, Caribbean, Borderlands, or Atlantic World History. For graduate students we award the Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Paper Prize for the best graduate student paper on Latin American, Caribbean, Borderlands or Atlantic World history presented at our annual meeting.

Historians of Latin America and the US South have long held much in common and some of the pioneering works in comparative history focused on these two regions in particular. In partnering with the Latin American and Caribbean Section, the Southern Historical Association recognized Latin American history as a natural extension and vital interlocutor for understanding both the particular and common experiences of Southern history. With the surge of interest in Atlantic, Borderlands, Transnational, and Global history, scholars of Latin American today offer many vital lessons and opportunities for exchange with historians of the South. As 2009 president of LACS-SHA I encourage all of you to take an active role in helping us extend the influence of Latin American, Caribbean, Atlantic, and Borderlands history by joining our society and attending the annual meeting in Louisville, Kentucky.

Matt D. Childs
University of South Carolina
LACS-SHA, 2009 President

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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/>

CALL FOR OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Please feel free to nominate yourself or another worthy individual (with their consent) for Vice-President and for Treasurer. Send nominations to Matt Childs at childsmd@mailbox.sc.edu

**PROGRAM OF THE LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN SECTION (LACS) OF THE SOUTHERN
HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
LOUISVILLE, NOVEMBER 5-8, 2009**

[HTTP://WWW.UGA.EDU/SHA/MEETING/INDEX.HTM](http://www.uga.edu/sha/meeting/index.htm)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 9:30-11:30

**11. New Perspectives on Cuban History in the 18th and 19th Centuries: Environment,
Public Health and Disease**

Chair: Matt Childs, University of South Carolina

Sherry Johnson, Florida International University, "Challenging the Image of the
'Backward' Empire: Public Health, Sanitation, and Hospital Reform in Cuba after
the Seven Years' War (1756-1763)"

Charlotte A. Cosner, Western Carolina University, "Spatial Change and the
Environmental Impact of Tobacco Cultivation in Pinal del Rio after 1775"

William C. Van Norman, Jr., James Madison University,
"Cholera in Cuba: Response and Reaction to the 1832-33 Epidemic"

Comment: Murdo J. MacLeod, University of Florida
Matt Childs, University of South Carolina

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2:30-4:30

39. Nation, Gender, and War in Nineteenth Century Spanish America

Chair: Christine Ehrick, University of Louisville

Pamela Murray, University of Alabama at Birmingham, "Women, War, and Partisan
Politics in Colombia: The Case of Tomás C. Mosquera's Female Supporters and
Clients, c. 1859-1862"

Marcela Echeverri, New York University/Instituto Colombiano de Antropología e
Historia, "Popular Royalists and Revolution in Colombia: Nationalism and
Empire, 1808-1840"

Francie Chassen-López, Department of History, University of Kentucky, "Women, War,
and the Body Politic in Nineteenth Century Southern Mexico"

Comment: Christine Ehrick, University of Louisville

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 4:45 pm

Phi Alpha Theta-Latin American

Presiding: Rosanne Adderley, Tulane University

Sitela Alvarez, Florida International University, "Cuban Exiles' Rejection of 'Imperialist' Catholicism in Key West, 1870-1895"

Erin Woodruff, Vanderbilt University, "Enemies and Allies: Pedro Menéndez de Aviles and his Interaction with Florida's Indians during the First Ten Years of Spanish Florida"

Adam Silva, Florida International University, "Social Interaction and Reaction in Haiti during the Era of the 'Massacre' in the 1930s"

Comment: Jane Landers, Vanderbilt University

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 9:30-11:30

39. Newspapers, Politics, and Nation-Building during the 'Era of Modernization': Views from Paraguay, Brazil, Bolivia, and Mexico, 1860s-1920s

Chair: Peter Guardino, Indiana University

Michael Huner, UNC Chapel Hill, "Press, Paraguayan War, Nation"

Celso T. Castilho, Vanderbilt University, "Newspapers and the Transformation of Abolitionist Politics in Northeastern Brazil: Recife, 1884"

E. Gabrielle Kuenzli, Univ. of South Carolina, "Indigenous Identities, Nation-Building, and the Press in Early-Twentieth Century Bolivia"

Edward Wright-Rios, Vanderbilt University, "*Lo que tiene y no tiene Madre*": Satire and the Conjuring of the Popular Female Voice in Revolutionary Mexico"

Comment: Peter Guardino, Indiana University

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 12-2 pm

44. Latin American and Caribbean Section Luncheon and Business Meeting

Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr., Professor Emeritus, Tulane University: "Latin American History: Reflections on a Half-Century of Teaching and Research"

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2:30-4:30 pm

53. New Approaches to Aviation History in Latin America

Chair, Theron Corse, Tennessee State University

Willie Hiatt, University of California at Davis, "National Authenticity or Aerial Cosmopolitanism: Peruvian Participation in World History through 1920s International 'Prestige' Flights."

Barbara Ganson, Florida Atlantic University, "Female Flyers in Latin America and the Caribbean between the World Wars."

Lawrence Clayton, University of Alabama, "Five Days in April: Air Combat for the Bay of Pigs, 1961."

Comment: Theron Corse, Tennessee State University
The Audience

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 9-11 am

64. "Family Life in Urban Mexico: Women and Children, Problems and Strategies, 19th-20th Century"

Chair: Tamara Spike, North Georgia College and State University

Jonathan Weber, Florida State University, "'Educar es redimir': Rehabilitating Child Criminals in Post-Revolutionary Mexico City"

Andrea Vicente, Michigan State University, "The Gendered Politics of Aging: Widows in Nineteenth-Century Guadalajara, Mexico"

Jonathan Grandage, Florida State University, "Women and Labor in Guadalajara, 1821-1822"

Monica L. Hardin, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, "Persisting Households and Family Mobility in Nineteenth-Century Guadalajara"

Comment: Barry Robinson, Samford University

The 2009 Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Paper Prize

Graduate student presenters at the SHA meeting in Louisville will be eligible for the Ralph Lee Woodward, Jr. Prize, presented for the best graduate student paper on Latin American, Caribbean, Borderlands or Atlantic World history presented at the 2009 SHA meeting. For more information, contact Rosanne Adderley at adderley@tulane.edu.

2010 LACS Call for Papers

SHA Meeting
Charlotte, NC
November 4-7, 2010

Deadline: October 1, 2009

The Latin American and Caribbean Section (LACS) of the Southern Historical Association welcomes individual paper and panel proposals for the 2010 SHA meeting in Charlotte, North Carolina, November 4-7.

LACS accepts papers and panels on all aspects of Latin American and Caribbean history, including the fields of the borderlands and the Atlantic World. Panels and papers that highlight the connections between people, cultures, and areas of these areas are especially welcome. Each year LACS also sponsors the “Kimberly Hanger Memorial Panel,” which in general addresses the topics of race and/or gender in the colonial borderlands and/or the Caribbean.

Submissions should include a 250-word abstract for each paper and a brief curriculum vitae for each presenter. We encourage faculty as well as advanced graduate students to submit panels and papers. Graduate students are eligible for the Ralph Lee Woodward Jr. Prize, awarded each year to the best paper presented by a graduate student in a panel organized by LACS.

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 of Rhodes College at larosa@rhodes.edu. For more information about the Southern Historical Association, visit the website: <http://www.uga.edu/~sha/>

Deadline for submissions is **October 1, 2009**. Complete panels are appreciated, but not required.

Submit panels and papers (with a preference for electronic submissions) to:

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September 23, 2009

Dear Colleagues,

The Latin American & Caribbean Section (LACS) is flourishing as we enter our second decade of affiliation with the Southern Historical Association, and we are looking forward to another exciting program in Louisville on November 3-5, 2009. At our meeting in New Orleans this past year, LACS celebrated our 10th anniversary and sponsored several excellent panels. 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, Thomas Skidmore, John Charles Chasteen, Susan Socolow, Jane Landers, Noble David Cook and Dauril Alden. We were delighted to present the 2008 *Ralph Lee Woodward Jr. Prize* for best graduate student paper to Leo Gorman of the University of New Orleans, the 2008 *Murdo MacLeod Book Prize* to Juliana Barr, University of Florida, and the 2008 Best Article Prize to Ida Altman, University of Florida.

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; feel free to 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 Louisville 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 2009 dues.

Yours truly,



Michael J. LaRosa
Treasurer

The Latin American and Caribbean Section of the Southern Historical Association 2009

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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Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Institution: _____

I have enclosed a check for \$25.00 payable to THE LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN SECTION OF THE SHA for the **2009** 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 **2009** 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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