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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
by Ronald L. Lewis

I want to take this opportunity to announce that the *Journal of Appalachian Studies* is now accepting submissions of scholarly articles. We anticipate that our first issue will appear after the annual conference next year. One issue each year will be devoted to papers presented at the conference, but the other numbers will publish articles received by open submission. The *Journal of Appalachian Studies* will consider articles from any disciplinary perspective which analyzes the history, culture, or society of Appalachia, and is written so that it can be understood by readers from other disciplines. We are in the process of mailing a prospectus to several hundred libraries, but we are depending on members to request that their libraries order subscriptions to the *Journal of Appalachian Studies*.

For details please see the enclosed announcement.

Also in this issue of *Appalink* you will find the Steering Committee-approved revision of the Appalachian Studies ByLaws, which have been amended to reflect the new administrative arrangements and the new journal policy approved by the membership in Spring 1994. The changes appear in bold print. Members will be asked to vote their approval of the revised ByLaws at the annual conference in March 1995.

After a long, and sometimes frustrating, effort on the part of former Treasurer Howard Dorgan, I am pleased to report that the Association finally has received tax-exempt status from the Internal Revenue Service. Clearing up the vagaries of the Association’s history for the IRS was no small undertaking, and on behalf of the Association I extend our heartfelt appreciation to Howard for his years of dedicated service to the Association.

On another positive note, the Program Committee met on November 5, 1994, and arranged a preliminary program from the more than one hundred proposals received. We anticipate that the preliminary program and conference registration information will be mailed by the first of January 1995.

I wish you all the best of the holiday season!
ASA BYLAW REVISIONS

The ASA Steering Committee has approved these revisions of our ByLaws, amended to reflect the new administrative arrangements and the new journal policy approved by the membership in Spring 1994. The changes appear in bold print. Members will be asked to vote their approval of the revised ByLaws at the 1995 conference.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ASA BYLAWS

ARTICLE V. PUBLICATIONS. [add following statement between Publications and Section 1] Members shall receive all publications of the Association whether or not they attend the annual conference.

ARTICLE V. Section 2. [original version] Journal. The Journal of the Appalachian Studies Association, published annually, shall be edited by the Program Chair of the Association and shall contain a representative selection of the best papers delivered at the Conference. The Managing Editor shall oversee the production and printing of the Journal.

Amend to read: Journal. The Journal of Appalachian Studies shall be edited and published at the Regional Research Institute, West Virginia University, for the Appalachian Studies Association. Members of the Association shall receive a subscription to the Journal as part of their membership. One issue each year will contain a representative selection of the best papers delivered at the annual conference. The papers for this issue shall be selected with the assistance of the Program Chair. Financial support provided by the Association for publication of the Journal will be in accordance with the proposal accepted by the membership at the annual business meeting held on March 12, 1994. The terms of this agreement are open to review and renegotiation by either the elected representatives of the Association or the Regional Research Institute.

ARTICLE VIII. Section 3. Summer Meeting. [amend to delete "summer" and insert "mid-term" meeting] Mid-term meeting. There shall be a meeting of the newly elected Officers and Steering Committee following each Conference. The agenda for this meeting shall be determined by the President. The Program Committee shall meet as necessary.

ARTICLE IX. Section 1. a. (5). Program Chairperson/Journal Editor. [Amend to delete "Journal Editor."]

ARTICLE X. Section 4. [Original version] Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have custody of all the funds of the Association; shall keep full and accurate account of receipts and expenditures; and shall make disbursements in accordance with the budget adopted by the Steering Committee. Checks or vouchers over $500 shall be signed by the Treasurer and the President or his or her appointee. The Treasurer shall present a financial statement at each annual meeting of the Association and at other times when requested by the Steering Committee. The Treasurer will provide an annual review of books conducted by an independent agency and will maintain all IRS documents.

Amend to read: Treasurer. The Treasurer shall provide financial oversight of Association funds, accounts, and policy through the administrative office of the Association located at the Regional Research Institute. The administrative office shall have custody of all the funds of the Association; shall keep full and accurate account of receipts and expenditures; and shall make disbursements in accordance with the budget adopted by the Steering Committee, and shall make disbursements of $500 or more with the advice and consent of the Treasurer. The Administrative office shall provide the Treasurer with an annual audit and a full financial statement for Association accounts at least annually. The Treasurer will present this statement and an assessment of the financial condition of the Association at each annual meeting of the Association and at other times when requested by the Steering Committee. The Treasurer will examine the books, provide reports to the Steering Committee, and maintain IRS documents with the assistance of the administrative office.

ARTICLE X. Section 5. Program Chairperson/Journal Editor. Amend to delete "Journal Editor." The Program chair will ...appoint Local Arrangements [insert] Sub-committee.

Delete: "The Program Chairperson shall serve as editor of the Journal"

ARTICLE X. Section 10. [original] Journal Managing Editor. The journal Managing Editor shall be responsible for the publication of the Journal.

Amend to read: The managing editor of the Journal of Appalachian Studies shall be located at the Regional Research Institute, and shall be responsible for the editing and publication of the Journal.
ARTICLE XII. Budgets and Appropriations.
Section 2. [original version] Authority. Checks for amounts over $500 must be signed by both the Treasurer and the President or his or her appointee. Such funds shall be spent in accordance with the approved budget. Checks for amounts less than $500 require only the signature of the Treasurer, but these funds shall also be spent in accordance with the approved budget.

Amend to read: Checks in amounts of $500 or more will be issued by the Administrative Office only with the advice and consent of the Treasurer. Such funds shall be spent in accordance with the approved budget. Checks for amounts less than $500 do not require approval of the Treasurer, but these funds also shall be spent in accordance with the approved budget.

ASA NEWS

ASA Gets Tax-Exempt Status!

After years of working and waiting (especially by Howard Dorgan, former ASA treasurer), the ASA is finally a legitimate non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. The IRS has officially informed us of the change in our status. Thanks, Howard!

New ASA Headquarters

Please note the new address and phone for the ASA:
Appalachian Studies Association
Regional Research Institute
P.O. Box 6825
West Virginia University
Morgantown, WV 26506
(304) 293-8541
fax: 304-293-6699 email:RRIASA@WVNHM.WVNET.EDU

Upcoming ASA Conference

Make plans now to attend the next annual conference set for March 17-19, 1995 at WVU in Morgantown, WV. The preliminary program is forthcoming in January.

ASA Receives Support of ARC

After ASA President Ron Lewis attended a meeting with key staff and new directors, Jesse White and Tom Hunter, of the Appalachian Regional Commission, they approved his written proposal that the ARC co-sponsor the 1995 ASA Conference. (Their support is in the form of $10,000.)

These funds will provide the much needed financial cushion in the treasury to protect the ASA in the face of some unforeseen problem. ASA's most recent treasurer Howard Dorgan has warned for some time that ASA needed to work to establish such financial protection. ARC asks in return to have its name appear on the Conference Program as a co-sponsor and to have Jesse White deliver a brief welcome to the ASA.

VOTE!

This issue of Appalink contains the ballot for ASA's nominated officers and committee members.

Appalink's New Editor

The next issue of Appalink will appear in June. If you have summer events to announce, please send your news by May 1 to:

Danny L. Miller, Appalink Editor
Dept of Languages and Literature
Northern Kentucky University
Highland Heights, KY 41076
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APPALACHIA IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT
CROSS-NATIONAL COMPARISONS OF DEVELOPING REGIONS

Edited by Phillip J. Obermiller and William W. Philliber

This volume uses Appalachia as a case study to provide a coherent cross-national perspective on regional development. It examines the phenomenon of Appalachia in relation to regional settings in Scotland, Canada, Kenya, Italy, Mexico, Spain, and Wales. Written by social scientists who have studied the social and economic problems of these regions, this work should assist in alleviating some of the most striking misconceptions about regional development.

Phillip J. Obermiller is an associate of the Appalachian Center at the University of Kentucky.
William W. Philliber is Professor of Sociology at the State University of New York at New Paltz.

Publication Date: October 1994.

At Bookstores or Order Toll-Free.
Credit Card Orders: 1-800-225-5800.
Journal of Appalachian Studies

The Journal of Appalachian Studies is a refereed journal published three times a year by the Regional Research Institute, West Virginia University. It is the official journal of the Appalachian Studies Association, a multi-disciplinary organization for scholars whose expertise focuses on the Appalachian region. The Journal of Appalachian Studies supercedes earlier publications of the Appalachian Studies Association, including Proceedings and the Journal of the Appalachian Studies Association.

Subscriptions and Membership

Individuals may join the Appalachian Studies Association or subscribe separately to the Journal of Appalachian Studies. Libraries and institutions may purchase institutional subscriptions. Please fill out the form on the back of this page and return it with a check for the appropriate amount to: Subscriptions, Journal of Appalachian Studies, Regional Research Institute, P.O. Box 6825, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV 26506-6825.

Manuscript Submissions

The Journal will publish appropriate articles from any disciplinary perspective. Although devoted primarily to the social sciences, loosely interpreted, the Journal will consider serious scholarship from any discipline which analyzes the history, culture, or society of the Appalachian region. Submissions must be written in a style that can be understood by intelligent non-specialists.

In a cover letter, authors should verify that the manuscript has not been published and is not being submitted for publication elsewhere. Two copies of the manuscript, typed double-spaced, should be submitted. It is not necessary to send the original of the manuscript, figures, graphs, or maps. Authors with access to Bitnet who would like immediate confirmation that their manuscripts have been received should include their E-mail address in their cover letters.

Submitted manuscripts need not follow the Journal's format for references, notes, and section headings; however, once accepted for publication, manuscripts must be typed according to the Journal's specifications.

Manuscripts and inquiries regarding editorial matters should be sent to:

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Journal of Appalachian Studies
Regional Research Institute, P.O. Box 6825
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BALLOT
ASA OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES FOR 1995-96

The following nominees are placed before the ASA membership by its nominating committee for various offices and committees for 1995 and 1996. Following each entry is a blank space where you should mark your vote for that nominee or write in a nominee for the same position. Please fill in ballots and return by March 1 to the Nominating Committee Chair,

John Inscoe
Department of History
University of Georgia
Athens, GA 30602.

For Vice President/President-Elect:

Dwight Billings, Professor of Sociology at the University of Kentucky
Billings _________ Write-In Nominee _________

For Vice Program Chair/Chair Elect:

Kate Black, Curator of the Appalachian Collection at the University of Kentucky Libraries
Black _________ Write-In Nominee _________

For Secretary: (two-year term)

Danny L. Miller, Associate Professor of English at Northern Kentucky University and editor of The Journal of Kentucky Studies.
Miller _________ Write-In Nominee _________

For Steering Committee: (three members, two-year terms)

Lou Athey is Emeritus Professor of History at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.
Athey _________ Write-In Nominee _________

Marie Tedesco is Assistant Professor of History and Archivist at the Archives of Appalachia at East Tennessee State University.
Tedesco _________ Write-In Nominee _________

Susan E. Keefe is Chair and Professor of Anthropology at Appalachian State University.
Keefe _________ Write-In Nominee _________

For Program Committee: (four members, one-year term)

Wilma Dunaway received her Ph.D. in sociology at the University of Tennessee this year and is a longtime activist in Appalachia.
Dunaway _________ Write-In Nominee _________

Mary Hodges is an instructor of English at Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tennessee.
Hodges _________ Write-In Nominee _________

David Hsiung is Assistant Professor of History at Juniata College in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.
Hsiung _________ Write-In Nominee _________

Kenneth W. Noe is Associate Professor of History at West Georgia College in Carrollton, Georgia.
Noe _________ Write-In Nominee _________
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Berea College Seeks Director of the Appalachian Center

The Berea College Appalachian Center, which coordinates the College's academic programs and services to the Appalachian region, invites applications for the position of director. The Director of the Center will play a key role in the comprehensive review of the College's service to the region. Informed by this review, the new director will chart the future of the Center, integrating the College's educational, outreach, and service programs that are central in responding to the contemporary and emerging needs of the region.

Responsibilities include:

- Providing leadership for and management of the Center;
- Teaching courses in Appalachian Studies or other fields;
- Assisting faculty in developing or revising pertinent courses;
- Providing oversight for the College's outreach and service to the region.

Qualifications for the position:

- Advanced degree in Appalachian Studies or other appropriate field.
- Successful college-level teaching.
- Direct experience working in the Appalachian region.
- Evidence of strong organizational and leadership skills.
- Exceptional communication skills.
- Essential personal qualities: initiative, flexibility, creativity.

The appointment date is July 1, 1995. A letter of interest, curriculum vita or resume, salary history, and names of three references are to be submitted to R. L. Snavely, Director of Human Resource Services, Berea College, CPO 2289, Berea, KY 40404. The review of the applications will begin in December 1994, and will continue until the position is filled.

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The Appalachian Reader Needs an Editor

If you are interested in helping to keep a fine regional newspaper afloat, The Appalachian Reader would like to hear from you right away. The current editor will do one more issue; after that, another person or organization needs to take it on. The editor has always been a volunteer, which makes it all the more difficult to find a replacement. To help or offer ideas about the sponsorship of this newspaper originating in Whitesburg, Kentucky, please contact editor Liz McGees (606) 633-3868.

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The 2nd annual Festival presents the C.S. Lewis Writing Competition to contribute to encouraging reading and intellectual discussion in the community. For a schedule of festival events, contact the Kingsport Public Library. For more information, call (615) 229-9489.

Entries for the writing competition will be accepted in these categories: Grades 1-6 (Poetry & Fiction on the topic "Impressions of Narnia"); Grades 7-12 (Poetry & Fiction on the same topic); Grades 11-Adult (Essay on any topic suggested by Lewis's life and work--friendship, satire, fantasy, redemption, death, love, grief, transformation, sacrifice, allegory, or others). Cash prizes will be awarded. Entry forms are available from public libraries in Kingsport, Johnson City, Bristol, at ETSU and Milligan College.

Entries should be delivered to the Kingsport Public Library, 400 Broad Street, Kingsport, TN 37660 on or before January 9, 1995.

VMI Sponsors Interdisciplinary Conference

An interdisciplinary conference entitled "After the Backcountry: Rural Life and Society in the Nineteenth-Century Valley of Virginia," will be held at Virginia Military Institute, in Lexington, Virginia, March 23-25, 1995. Focusing on the post-frontier phase of development, program topics include economic activity, the environment, family and community, politics, ethnicity, gender, slavery, and material culture. The conference will assess the current state of scholarship on society and economics of the 19th century Valley of Virginia. Contact: Kenneth E. Koons, Department of History and Politics, VMI, Lexington, VA 24450 (703) 464-7676, Fax (703) 464-7763, Internet fhikoons%faculty%vmi@ist.vmi.edu or Warren R. Hofstra, Community History Project, Shenandoah University, Winchester, VA 22601 (703) 665-4564.

New River Symposium

The 12th New River Symposium, set for April 7-8, 1995, at Glade Springs Resort, Daniels, WV highlights the natural and cultural heritage of the New River corridor from NC to WV. The New River Gorge National River, a unit of the National Park System in WV, and the WV Division of Culture & History are again co-sponsoring the Symposium. The two-day program will offer formal presentations and field trips covering archeology, botany, geology, social and labor history, land use and site preservation, and human and physical geography. Because of the economy and conflicts with other conferences, it has become necessary to alternate biennially with the Appalachian Geography Conference. For more information, contact Reba Scott or Warren Snyder (304) 465-0508 or Ken Sullivan (304) 558-0220.

Augusta 95

Augusta Heritage Center at Davis & Elkins College in Elkins, WV presents Augusta 95: Spring Dulcimer Week - April 23-28 Cajun/Creole Week - July 9-14; Blues Week; Swing Week - July 16-21 Irish Week - July 23-28; Dance Week; Bluegrass Week - July 30-August 4; Old-Time Week; Vocal Week - August 6-13 Augusta Festival- August 11-13; October Old-Time Week - October 15-22; Fiddlers' Reunion - October 20-22 Contact Davis and Elkins College, Elkins, WV 26241, 304-636-1903.

Eastern Kentucky University's
1995 Writing Conference

On June 12-16, EKU will host its 1995 Writing Conference, featuring the poet and Wind Magazine's poetry editor, Steven R. Cope; poet and fiction writer James Baker Hall, Director of the University of Kentucky's Creative Writing Program; and novelist and short-fiction writer Mary Ann Baker-Hall. For further information, contact Harry Brown, Wallace 217, EKU, Richmond, KY 40475-3133 (606) 622-5861.

Radford Sponsors

18th Highland Summer Conference

The Eighteenth Annual Highland Summer Conference, a workshop focusing on Appalachian writing and culture, at Radford University, Radford, Va., will be held June 19-30, 1995. Guest artists include Jim Wayne Miller and Anndrena Belcher. Participants may earn 3 semester hours of undergraduate or graduate credit. Contact Dr. Grace Toney Edwards or Jo Ann Asbury, P.O.B. 7014, Radford University, Radford, Virginia 24142 (703) 831-5366.

Appalachian-Scottish Studies
at the University of Edinburgh

In the summer of 1995, this study tour will include two weeks in Scotland and one week in Ireland from July 11-August 14. In Scotland, students will be based at the University of Edinburgh, and in Northern Ireland at the Ulster Folk and Transport Museum. The tour includes field trips and lectures on a wide range of topics focusing on traditional cultures with emphasis on their influence in America. Fees (including all expenses except tuition and meals) are approximately $2,000. The course may be audited or taken for 3-6 hours credit. Contact Thomas Burton, CASS, Box 70556, ETSU, Johnson City, TN 37614-0556, (615) 929-5348.
Southern Mountaineers Filmography
The W. L. Eury Appalachian Collection is proud to announce the availability of the SOUTHERN MOUNTAINEERS FILMOGRAPHY on the Appalachian State University gopher. Compiled by ASU English professor and Appalachian Journal editor J. W. Williamson, the filmography contains an annotated, chronological listing of every known movie that portrays southern mountaineers or mountain topics from the earliest 1904 nickelodeon silents to the present. A title index is also available in a separate file, and both the filmography and the index are WAIS searchable. To access the filmography, choose the University library option from the first screen of the ASU gopher (appstate.edu), followed by the Appalachian Collection option on the second screen.

New Appalachian Regional Studies Center
Radford University announces the opening of its new Appalachian Regional Studies Center. The Center serves as headquarters for the Appalachian Studies Program, a curriculum leading to a minor; the Appalachian Events Committee; the Highland Summer Conference, a two-week creative writing workshop featuring publishing Appalachian authors; and the Appalachian Studies branch of the Steering Committee of Selu Conservancy, Radford Foundation’s 375-acre cultural and environmental preserve on the Little River. The Center houses the Appalachian Folklore Archives which includes a collection of more than 200 R.U. student field projects. The Center promotes and disseminates research of students, faculty, and other scholars in the region.
For more information contact the Center’s Director, Dr. Grace Toney Edwards (703) 831-5366.

Appalachian Semester
Union College invites those interested in its Appalachian Semester to write or call for information about the program. Contact Deborah Thompson, Director, Appalachian Semester, Union College, 310 College Street Box 821, Barbourville, KY 40806 (606) 546-1324.

Virginia Tech Newsletter:
Appalachian Studies News
If you are interested in contributing to, submitting news, and/or being on the mailing list to receive the newsletter Appalachian Studies News, published twice a year, in August and January, contact Elizabeth C. Fine, Appalachian Studies Program, Center for Programs in the Humanities, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24061-0227. (703) 231-5327 E-mail: bfine@vt.edu.

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Send your announcements of new books to the new ASA Secretary: Danny L. Miller, Department of Languages and Literature, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY 41076

Appalachian Teachers’ Network Invites Participation

Formed by teachers--from all levels and disciplines--who wanted to integrate Appalachian Studies into their courses, the Appalachian Teachers’ Network has held annual conferences and published a yearly newsletter, Stitches, since 1990.

Supported in the past by organizations and foundations whose funds are no longer available, ATN now needs your financial support. The annual membership fee of $10 insures the growth and stability of the Network while also providing members with reduced conference fees, newsletter subscription, and inclusion on our mailing list.

To join, send the form below with a check for $10 by March 15, 1995, to the Appalachian Regional Studies Center, Box 7014, Radford University, Radford, VA 24142. For more information, contact Jim Minick, Director, Appalachian Teachers’ Network.

_ Yes, I want to join the Appalachian Teachers’ Network.

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Please make your check out to Appalachian Teachers’ Network and mail it and this form to the Appalachian Regional Studies Center, Box 7014, Radford University, Radford, VA 24142 by March 15, 1995.