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Early Election Results
We have no dangling chads, no blocked admissions to polling both, no other skullduggery, but we do have a tie for one Council position. Until that is decided only one council position is announced. Congratulations to the new PEWS officers:
Chair-Elect: Beverly J. Silver
Council:
A Few Words from the Editor: GET INVOLVED!
Thomas D. Hall
With the preliminary election results listed above we are on the way to our annual change over in officers. This means, to paraphrase our favorite, obnoxious uncle, we want YOU!

So what do we want you for? To supply more info to PEWS [see article below]. Volunteer for a committee. We choose committee members at the Annual meeting. However, you can still volunteer even if you cannot make the meeting. Just send your name and the committee[s] you are willing to serve on to someone who will be there, or to one of the officers.

We need members for each of the following committees:

Membership Committee:
One of new council members
3 members, one a student

Editorial Board [PEWS News Staff]:
Thomas D. Hall [Secretary-Treasurer]
3 members, 1 student; 1 incoming council member

Web Committee:
Thomas D. Hall [webmaster]
2 members

Nominations Committee:
4 members

Roundtables Committee:
2 members

Beverly Silver, Chair [Chair-Elect]
Douglas Kincaid [Outgoing Council member]
Rita S. Gallin [Outgoing Council member]

Article Award Committee [all ex officio]:
Richard Appelbaum, Chair [Chair]
József Böröcz  [Council, 2nd year]
> Jackie Smith [Council, 2nd year]

Membership Drive
Richard Appelbaum
Every year we wait until the ASA meeting to push the panic button, realizing that we are just short of 400 members because the number needed to trigger an additional PEWS session for the following year. By then it is too late. Why? Because applications received after the August meeting only provide a month (or less) of membership, since the ASA's calendar year begins October 1. Then we are back where we started. This time we have another reason to push the panic button: we have only 322 members, far short of the 400 we need.

Let's get on the stick and build our section membership!

REMEMBER: IF EVERYONE SIGNS UP JUST ONE ADDITIONAL PERSON, WE WILL DOUBLE OUR MEMBERSHIP! (Calculations available on request.)

Here is what you can do:
1. SIGN UP A GRADUATE OR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT.
If s/he already belongs to the ASA, student membership in PEWS is $5
By Council decision for this year PEWS will pay for first year membership for any NEW graduate Student member
who is already a member of ASA. Email the student's name and ASA membership number to Tom Hall
[thall@depauw.edu].

Simply go to http://www.asanet.org/forms/sectionform.html and fill out the form. Do it on-line, or print out the form and mail it in with $5.

If s/he does not already belong to the ASA, why not Give the Gift of ASA Membership for a mere $37 (student rate),
ettling your favorite student to the ASR or another journal of his/her choice, footnotes, etc. Do it on-line
(https://secure.asanet.org/asanet/2001/index.cfm), or print out the application form
(http://www.asanet.org/forms/mem.html) and mail it in with your check. Send the name in as above, and PEWS will
take care of membership for 2001.

2. RECRUIT SOME COLLEAGUES.
PEWS membership will cost them only $12. You might print out the section membership form
(http://www.asanet.org/forms/sectionform.html) and mail or email it to several colleagues, convincing them to join,
emphasizing the following benefits of PEWS membership:

PEWS is the only ASA section that studies development in its world-historical context, emphasizing the intersection
between local and global social, economic, and political processes. PEWS scholarship provides a firm foundation for
critically understanding what is popularly referred to as "globalization."

PEWS members study such diverse topics as economic development; gender, race, and class in the global
economy; global environmental problems; international labor movements and resistance movements in general;
global sweatshop production and what can be done about it; global urban patterns and world cities; and the
formation, rise and fall of nation-states.

- PEWS sponsors joint ASA sessions with other sections of the Association, for example, the sections on Labor
  and Labor Movements, and Environment and Technology.

- Each spring PEWS sponsors a conference separate from the ASA meetings and publishes a book of
  proceedings from the conference.

- PEWS sponsors an annual book award, a biannual article award, a biannual dissertation award, and a
  Distinguished Career award.

DO IT TODAY DON'T DELAY!
Richard P. Appelbaum, Chair 2001
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OR
snail mail to: Thomas D. Hall, Department of Sociology, 420 Anderson St. Bldg., DePauw University, Greencastle, IN 46135.
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Preconference in Anaheim: Globalization and Environment
This year's preconference, to be held Friday, August 17 is titled: Globalization and Environment: Prospects and
Perils. The miniconference is co-sponsored by PEWS & Environment and Technology sections. It has its own
website: http://soc.ucdavis.edu/~sporiai/globaientv/, where you can see all the exciting papers being presented.
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Institute for Research on World-Systems [IROWS]
Christopher Chase Dunn
One of the many tasks for Christopher Chase-Dunn in his new position at University of California at Riverside is
directing the The Institute for Research on World-Systems (IROWS). IROWS organizes collaborative research
among social, biological and physical scientists on long-term, large scale social change and its ecological,
geographical and epidemiological causes and effects. Located at the University of California at Riverside, IROWS
pursues comparative research on the rise and fall of civilizations, long-term processes of globalization, and climate
change. IROWS webpage is: http://www.irows.ucr.edu
IROWS To host PEWS in 2002
Christopher Chase Dunn
IROWS will host the annual spring PEWS conference in 2002 at the University of California, Riverside on May 3-4. The conference theme is "Hegemonic Decline: Present and Past" and the call for papers is at http://www.irows.ucr.edu/conferences/pews02/pews02page.htm

PEWS 25 A Big Success
PEWS 2001, The World-System in the 21st Century was held at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, April 19-21. This year's PEWS conference invited 32 presenters, ran concurrent sessions, and closed with a theoretical plenary. The Conference was well attended. According to coordinator Wilma Dunaway, more than one-third of the papers were by and about women and gender. Half the presenters were from outside the U.S., including a better representation of Third World scholars than is typical. Reactions to PEWS 25 have been highly favorable. The conference was also successful in two other ways. The conference website posted papers from several international scholars who could not travel, as well as the first drafts of several papers presented at the conference. You can access them at http://fbox.vt.edu/W/wdunaway/pews2001.htm For an overview of the conference see 25th Annual World System Conference http://fbox.vt.edu/W/wdunaway/pews2001.htm. By May 31, Dunaway had received 26 papers, so this conference will produce 2 volumes. A big thanks is due to Wilma Dunaway for hosting PEWS 25 and to Don Clelland and Paul Prew for their help with many chores.

PEWS in Anaheim, ASA 2001
We have two interesting panels and 11 roundtables for Anaheim. See PEWS Web: http://acad.depauw.edu/~thall/pewsasa01.htm

News from Fernand Braudel Center
William G. Martin, Deputy Director
The Fernand Braudel Center welcomed the new millenium with a whirlwind of activity. Three research working groups, started in 1999, are in the process of research design and data collection; they are

- Structural Trends of the Capitalist World-Economy, coordinator, Immanuel Wallerstein,
- Categories of Social Knowledge, coordinator, Richard Lee,
- Waves of Antisystemic Movements, coordinator, William Martin.

In addition a research seminar on "Coloniality," coordinated by Peter Carlo and Kelvin Santiago, met regularly during the year and held an annual spring conference. Over a dozen public lectures, many by past Binghamton graduates, were hosted in a year-long series on "Race and Gender in the World-System." A major grant on the impact of inherited colonial boundaries in Africa, was awarded from the Carnegie Corporation (Principal Investigators: William G. Martin and Ricardo Laremont (Institute of Global Cultural Studies)); workshop meetings and field data collection are well underway. Finally: a major international conference on the topic "The Modern World-System in the Longue Durée" has been organized for November 2-3, 2001, in celebration of the Fernand Braudel Center's 25th anniversary. Full details on the conference, the research working groups, the table of contents of the Center's journal, Review, and additional activities are on our web site: http://fbc.binghamton.edu

These and other activities were bolstered by the addition in January of Ravi Palat to the faculty of the Binghamton Sociology Department, and the recent hiring, to arrive in fall 2001, of Herbert Bix (who just won the Pulitzer Prize for his book Hirohito and the Making of Modern Japan ), Fred Deyo (well known to PEWS members), and Leslie Gates (University of Arizona); additional offers are pending and further hiring is expected in the fall 2001 semester.

Members on the Move
J. Timmons Roberts is moving from Tulane University to the College of William and Mary, where he will be Professor of Sociology and Director of the Mellon Environmental Studies Program. The move is effective July, 2001
Joya Misra was given tenure and promoted to associate professor at University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Michael Timberlake joins the faculty of the Department of Sociology, University of Utah this summer. He comes to Utah from Kansas State University where he was department head from 1992 until leaving. He will contribute to the University of Utah Sociology Program through his research on urbanization, community, and world city networks in the context of broad social, economic, and political currents operating at the global level.

Andre Gunder Frank is Professor Emeritus at the University of Amsterdam. He was recently Visiting Professor of International Studies at the University of Miami and Distinguished Visiting Professor of International Studies at Florida International University. He is also a fellow of the McGill University Centre for Developing Area Studies, and Senior Research Associate in the Northeastern University World History Center. For the Fall semester 2001, he is Visiting Professor of History at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.

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Three Positions Open at Utah

**Assistant Professor of Sociology, Statistics and Macro-comparative Sociology**
University of Utah ([www.utah.edu](http://www.utah.edu)). The Department of Sociology invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor to complement the new graduate program in quantitative, macro-comparative sociology. The successful applicant must be able to teach advanced statistics at the graduate level. Areas of substantive specialization include population studies, international development, and/or environmental sociology. Other areas will be considered. Review of applications will begin 15 October 2001 and continue until the position is filled. Please send a letter describing research and teaching interests, a curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference to: Macro-Comparative Search Committee, University of Utah, Department of Sociology, 380 S 1530 E Rm 301, Salt Lake City UT 84112-0250. Position availability is contingent upon final budgetary approval. The University of Utah is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer and encourages nominations and applications from all qualified individuals including women and minorities and provides reasonable accommodation to the known disabilities of applicants and employees.

**Assistant Professor of Sociology, Diversity**
University of Utah ([www.utah.edu](http://www.utah.edu)). The Department of Sociology invites applications for a diversity scholar at the rank of tenure-track assistant professor working in the area of social inequality. The scholar filling this position should conduct research in one or more of the following areas: race relations; critical race theory; gender studies; race, class, and gender; and/or other related areas. Area of subspecialization is open. Ability to teach courses in race and ethnic relations, gender and/or class preferred. Review of applications will begin 15 October 2001 and continue until the position is filled. Please send a letter describing research and teaching interests, a curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference to: Diversity Search Committee, University of Utah, Department of Sociology, 380 S 1530 E Rm 301, Salt Lake City UT 84112-0250. Position availability is contingent upon final budgetary approval. The University of Utah is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer and encourages nominations and applications from all qualified individuals including women and minorities and provides reasonable accommodation to the known disabilities of applicants and employees.

**Assistant Professor of Sociology, Medical Sociology**
University of Utah ([www.utah.edu](http://www.utah.edu)). The Department of Sociology invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor working in the area of medical sociology with an emphasis in epidemiology. Ability to teach courses in social psychology, quantitative research methods, and statistics preferred. Review of applications will begin 15 October 2001 and continue until the position is filled. Please send a letter describing research and teaching interests, a curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference to: Medical Sociology Search Committee, University of Utah, Department of Sociology, 380 S 1530 E Rm 301, Salt Lake City UT 84112-0250. Position availability is contingent upon final budgetary approval. The University of Utah is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer and encourages nominations and applications from all qualified individuals including women and minorities and provides reasonable accommodation to the known disabilities of applicants and employees.
JWSR Seeks Book Reviewers, Books for Review

Joya Misra
Are you interested in reviewing books for the *Journal of World-Systems Research*? Have you published a book that you’d like to see reviewed in the *Journal of World-Systems Research*?

Please let JWSR book review editor, Joya Misra know: misra@soc.umass.edu or see: http://csf.colorado.edu/wsystems/jwsr/

PEWS Web Page Updated

The PEWS webpage has been updated, with several new categories and listings.  :

http://acad.depauw.edu/~thall/pewshp.htm

Please check out the web:

Send corrections, suggestions, additions, deletions, etc. to webmaster Tom Hall at: thall@depauw.edu

We want to put links to all PEWS members who have their own web pages, and to syllabi, to relevant and useful web sites.

Perennial Call for Submissions for PEWS NEWS & PEWS WEB

Yet another reminder to send in items for *PEWS News*. Everything is grist for the mill:

- CFPs
- Change in position
- New publications
- New Syllabi
- New AV materials
- Discussions of PEWS issues
- Editorial on PEWS politics
- etc.

All of these are also suitable for PEWS web.  In addition:

- Links to activist sites
- Links to your web page
- links to any web page of interest to PEWS members
- Data Sources on- or off-line
- New publications [yours, or others’]
- Syllabi: especially those on line for others view
etc.

Send items to Tom Hall thall@depauw.edu

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For details see the PEWS Web: http://www.asanet.org/sectionpews/pewslisthp.html