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Wong and Shin Elected to Council

Morrison Wong (Texas Christian University) and Eui-hang Shin (University of South Carolina) were elected by the ASA-AAA membership to be new members of the Section Council. The election, held by secret mail ballots, showed impressive support for all four candidates. Of the 90 ballots counted, the results are as follows:

Morrison Wong	60
Eui-hang Shin	38
James A. Geschwender	37
Peter C. Smith	36
Write-ins	3

The ballots were tabulated on June 26 by the Section Secretary, Nan Lin, with Richard Hall, Professor of Sociology at SUNY-Albany and elected ASA Council Member, witnessing and assisting. The ballots will be held until September 1, 1986. Inquiries should be sent to Nan Lin, Department of Sociology, SUNY-Albany, Albany, NY 12222.

The enthusiastic participation of the Section members in the election attested to both the credentials of the candidates and the support for the Section activities.

Section Program at the ASA New York Meeting

ASA-AAA programs at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in New York City, August 30 - September 3, 1986 (New York Hilton) have been scheduled for Tuesday, September 2 as follows:

Council Meeting: Tuesday, September 2, 2:30 p.m.

Business Meeting: Tuesday, September 2, 2:30 p.m.

Roundtables: Tuesday, September 2, 8:30 a.m.

Roundtable I: Theme: The Structure of Asian Communities in America

Presider: Susan Takata, University of Wisconsin, Parkside

Papers by: Dana Takagi, University of California, Santa Barbara
"The Structure of Class: Marxist Analyses and the Asian Community"

Tai S. Kang, State University of New York, Buffalo; and
Gay E. Kang, Columbia University
"Life Satisfaction of Korean American Elderly: An Exchange Perspective."

Alden E. Roberts, Texas Tech University
"Prejudice and Vietnamese Refugees"

Roundtable II: Theme: Social Change: Contrasting Mainland China and Taiwan

Presider: Yung-mei Tsai, Texas Tech University

Papers by: Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao, National Taiwan University and Academia Sinica; and Yung-mei Tsai, Texas Tech University
"Industrialization, Urbanization and Social Structural Transformation in Taiwan: A Macro-Historical Analysis"

Wen Xie, Columbia University; and Nan Lin, SUNY, Albany
"The Process of Status Attainment in Urban China"

Kuanjeng Chen, Academia Sinica
"On the Changes of Household Composition in Taiwan"

Lawrence Hong, California State University, Los Angeles
"Socio-economic Ramifications of the 'One Child
Policy in China'"

Roundtable III: Theme: Quality of Life and Life Satisfaction of Asians
and Asians in America

Presider: Proshanta Nandi, Sangamon State University

Papers by: T. Mathai Thomas, University of Bridgeport
"Occupation and Family Stability Among Kerala
Immigrants"

Anne E. Imamura, University of Maryland
"The Loss That Has No Name: Social Womanhood of
Migrant Wives in International Marriages"

Ling Wang, SUNY, Albany; and Yun-kang Pan and Guo-hua,
Tianjin Academy of Social Sciences, Tianjin, PRC
"Quality of Life in Tianjin, China: Some Preliminary
Results"

The Asian American Myth, September 2, 12:30 p.m.

Organizer: William T. Liu, University of Illinois at Chicago

Presider: Ashakant Nimbark, Dowling College

Presentations: "The 'Success' Image of Asian Americans: Its Validity,
Practical and Theoretical Implications"

Won Moo Hurh and Kwang Chung Kim
Western Illinois University

"Unequal Earnings Among White and Asian Americans in
California"

Sen-Yuan Wu and Jin-Yi Chen
State University of New York, Stony Brook

"The Education of Asian Americans: Evidence from the
1980 Census"

Herbert R. Barringer and David T. Takeuchi,
University of Hawaii; Peter Smith, East-West
Population Institute

"Asian American Families: Strategies of Domestic Groups
in Migration"

William T. Liu, Elena S. H. Yu, and Marilyn Fernandez
University of Illinois at Chicago

"A Comparative Analysis of Chinese Migration to the
United States and Southeast Asia: 1800-1940"

Sharon Mengchee Lee
Cornell University

Discussant: Tetsuden Kashima
University of Washington

NOTE: The locations will be listed in the final meeting program.

Trans-Pacific Theory Session to be Offered at the ASA Meeting

The ASA Theory Section will offer a conference on Trans-Pacific Theory at the forthcoming annual meeting in New York. Scheduled on Sunday, August 31, the Conference will feature two sessions and speakers from the People's Republic of China, Japan, Korea, Germany, Israel, and the United States. Edward A. Tiryakian, Professor of Sociology at Duke and organizer of the Conference, has invited members of the ASA-AAA to attend the sessions in what he hopes "will be the first of several dialogues aiming to develop broader theoretical vistas on modernity and development than we have had."

The two sessions and speakers are:

Sunday, August 31, 12:30 p.m.

Section on Theoretical Sociology: A Trans-Pacific Theory Conference on
Modernity and Development I: Western Theoretical Perspectives on Asia.

Organizer: Edward A. Tiryakian, Duke University

Presider: Tomihide Kashioka, Kansai University of Foreign Studies

Presentations: "Castes as Status Groups: A Reconsideration of the
Utility of 'Western' Sociological Concepts"

Murray Milner, Jr.
University of Virginia

"East Asia as the Cutting Edge of World Social Change"

Ezra F. Vogel
Harvard University

"The Vision of Modernity: One or Many Modern Civilizations?"

S. N. Eisenstadt
Hebrew University of Jerusalem

"Structural Properties of Modernity and Change in Power in Japan, Western Europe, and the United States"

Hans Haferkamp
University of Bremen

Discussant: Eshun Hamagushi
Osaka University

Sunday, August 31, 2:30 p.m.

Section on Theoretical Sociology: A Trans-Pacific Theory Conference on Modernity and Development II: Asian Theoretical Perspectives on Asia.

Organizer and

 President: Edward A. Tiryakian
 Duke University

Presentations: "A Critique of Traditional 'Occidental' Models of the 'Oriental' Society"

 Hideichiro Nakano
 Kwansei Gakuin University and University of Laval

"Explaining Change: An East Asian View"

 Kyong-Dong Kim
 Seoul National University

"Modernity and Social Consciousness"

 Takashi Miyajima
 Ochanomizu University

"Sociological Perspectives on Korean Nationalism"

 Man Gap Lee
 Seoul National University

Discussant: Reinhard Bendix, University of California, Berkeley;
 Wang Kang, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

Tiryakian is also arranging a reception on Monday afternoon for the Theory Section and welcomes the participation of the ASA-AAA members.

Because two speakers in the Conference need assistance in Japanese-English translations, Tiryakian has asked for help in identifying a graduate student or a faculty colleague in New York City sufficiently conversant in Japanese-English who is willing to volunteer his/her service at the sessions. Anyone who can help or can suggest names should contact Edward A. Tiryakian, Department of Sociology, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina 27706 or call him at (919) 684-2915.

Albany and Nankai Commence Joint Ph.D. Program

The State University of New York at Albany and Nankai University, Tianjin, China have agreed to offer a doctoral program in sociology jointly. The program, to begin in the summer of 1986, will be the first joint doctoral program between a Chinese university and a foreign institution. Students were recruited from a number of Chinese universities and institutions who have completed their Master's degrees. Albany faculty will visit and provide courses at Nankai during the first three years of the program. Subsequently, the students will be in residence at Albany to complete their dissertations and degree requirements. Albany faculty members offering courses at the Albany-Nankai program this year will be: Arnold Foster, Richard Hall, John Logan, and Maurice Richter.

Correction and Apology to Hagen Koo

In the 1985-1986 Issue 2 of The Asiatic Mode, an article entitled, "Asian Americanists and Asianists in the AAA Section," appeared without the byline of its author, Hagen Koo (Department of Sociology, University of Hawaii and ASA-AAA Council Member). The editor bows to Professor Koo for apology.

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