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ASPA Monthly Update - February 2001

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1) BROADNAX WINS ASPA ELECTION

Walter D. Broadnax, Dean of the School of Public Affairs at American University, has been elected ASPA's 2001-2 National Vice President. Joining Broadnax on ASPA's National Council are:

- District 1 - Raymond Joseph, New York City Board of Education
- District 2 - Martha Marshall, Independent Consultant, and Robert Goldenkoff, US General Accounting Office
- District 3 - Kato B. Keeton (Katie), University of West Florida
- District 4 - Anthony Sisneros, University of Illinois at Springfield, and Krishna Tummala, Kansas State University
- District 5 - Susan Baugh, King County, WA Auditor's Office

Broadnax and the newly elected Council members will begin their terms of office on March 14. Broadnax will ascend to President-Elect and President in subsequent years.

2) ASPA AND NEWARK GEAR UP TO HOST NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Next month more than 1,100 public administration practitioners, researchers, students and faculty will convene in Newark, NJ to attend ASPA's 62nd Annual National Conference.

The 2001 Conference theme, *New Century - New Cities - New Challenges*, focuses on the challenges and opportunities facing public administration in the twenty-first century.

ASPA will showcase Newark as an example of a New City of the twenty-first century - a city growing more vibrant with a high tech economy and exciting cultural activities and yet a city facing the most serious of challenges.

The conference's featured speakers will be James Schlesinger and Ferrel Heady. Schlesinger, who will deliver the inaugural Elliot Richardson Lecture, has served in several prominent positions, including: Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Secretary of Defense, Assistant

Director of the Office of Management and Budget and Chairman of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

Heady, former president of the University of New Mexico, will deliver the 2001 Donald C. Stone Distinguished Guest Lecture. He served as ASPA President from 1969 to 1970.

Visit <http://216.149.125.141/2001conf> for the latest conference information.

3) ASPA AND NAPA ANNOUNCE 2001 NPSA WINNERS

ASPA and the National Academy of Public Administration recently released the names of the winners of the 19th Annual National Public Service Awards:

- * Paul D. Barnes, Deputy Commissioner for Human Resources, U.S. Social Security Administration
- * Alexander E. Briseno, City Manager, San Antonio, TX
- * David A. Gaspar, Director, Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections
- * Jane M. Kenny, Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs
- * James M. Seif, Secretary of Environmental Protection, State of Pennsylvania

Harold Seidman, Senior Fellow at Johns Hopkins University's Center for the Study of American Government, will receive the Keeper of the Flame Award for his lifetime commitment to public service.

The awards will be presented at a luncheon on March 11 during ASPA's 2001 National Conference.

You can read bios of each of the recipients online at <http://www.aspanet.org/awards/npsa2001bios.htm>.

4) ASPA WILL PRESENT ANNUAL AWARDS ON MARCH 12

In addition to the NPSA awards, ASPA will present distinguished achievement and organizational awards during a special ceremony on March 12 at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center.

Elmer B. Staats Lifetime Achievement Award for Distinguished Public Service
Dwight Ink

Dwight Waldo Award
Patricia Ingraham

Charles H. Levine Memorial Award for Excellence in Public Administration
Robert Denhardt

Public Administration Review (PAR) Awards

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Marshall E. Dimock Award
Linda deLeon and Robert Denhardt

Louis Brownlow Award
Lawrence Walters, James Aydelotte, and Jessica Miller

Laverne Burchfield Award
Melvin Dubnick

William E. Mosher and Frederick C. Mosher Award
James R. Thompson

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Donald C. Stone Service to ASPA Award
Howard Balanoff
Van Johnston

Center for Accountability and Performance (CAP) Awards

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Joseph Wholey Distinguished Scholarship Award
TBA

Harry Hatry Distinguished Performance Measurement Practice Award
James R. ("Jay") Fountain

CAP Organizational Leadership Award
The Florida Legislature's Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability
(OPPAGA)

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Presidential Citations of Merit
Fran Burke
Jeanne Marie Col
Arie Halachmi
Donald Klingner
William A. Miller
Sy Murray
Mitchell Rice
Harvey White

Strategic Plan Implementation Award
Division II - San Diego Chapter (First prize)
Division III - CenTex Chapter (First prize), Evergreen Chapter (Second prize)

Oveta Culp Hobby Training Award
Greater Kansas City Chapter

Chapter Newsletter Award
Division III - Georgia Chapter, Barry Friedman, Editor
Division IV - CenTex Chapter, Bobby Seiferman, Editor

Section Newsletter Award
Section on Ethics, Carole L. Jurkiewicz, Editor

Walter W. Mode Scholarship
Carol Mizoguchi

Conference Scholarship for Graduate Students
Libby Day, San Diego State University
Terri Johnson, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
Chul-Young Roh, University of Colorado at Denver
John Triller, University of Vermont

For more information about ASPA's awards program, visit
<http://www.aspanet.org/awards/index.htm>.

5) FEBRUARY ISSUE OF PA TIMES INCLUDES SPECIAL SECTION ON INTERNATIONAL ADMINISTRATION

Here is a summary of some of the articles featured in the February issue of PA Times:

Coalition Sends Letter to Bush: ASPA Joins Coalition to Advise New Administration on Managing for Results

As the newly inaugurated President and his appointees begin to formulate their policies, ASPA is collaborating with other organizations to urge the Bush administration to focus on government management reform. Although this issue may not be the first that the new administration addresses, President Bush's policy statements indicate his understanding of the need for a well-managed government to achieve his goals.

California Infrastructure Finance Needs Work

In a recent roundtable discussion participants, including the United States Department of Transportation (US DOT) and the California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS), found that although significant strides had been made in California state infrastructure financing, more needs to be done.

Partnerships are the Wave of the Future

Globalization and increasing interdependence necessitate collaborative arrangements on global, national, and sub-national levels.

The Need for a Global Society

The fall of communist regimes and the increased pace of globalization in the 1990s have reinforced the neo-classical economic model as the basis of development policy.

Public Administration Issues in Turkey

Turkey stands at the crossroads of Europe, Asia and the Middle East. On a piece of land slightly larger than the state of Texas (814,578 square km), it hosts a population of nearly 66 million people. It is the only Muslim country with both a secular democratic political system and a liberal economy.

U.S./China Public Administration Secretariat

The study of public administration in China is only a recent, although burgeoning, discipline. However, the practice of public administration and governance in China has a much longer history than that of the U.S. In this regard, both sides have much to learn from each other.

CAPAM Conference Focuses on New Century

At a recent biennial conference of the Commonwealth Association for Public Administration and Management (CAPAM) in Cape Town, South Africa more than 300 other participants from 40 nations had a unique opportunity to exchange ideas, identify major public sector problems, and craft potential solutions.

6) MARCH/APRIL PAR WILL ADDRESS ETHICS, TECHNOLOGY AND BIG QUESTIONS FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The March/April issue of Public Administration Review will feature the following articles:

Special Report - Charles R. Wise

Big Questions for Public Administration

- * Big Questions for a Significant Public Administration - John J. Kirlin
- * The Myth of the Bureaucratic Paradigm: What Traditional Public Administration Really Stood For - Laurence E. Lynn Jr.
- * History Lessons for Reinventors - David H. Rosenbloom
- * Paradigms, Traditions, and Keeping the Faith - J. Patrick Dobel
- * The "Old" Public Management versus the "New" Public Management: Where Does Public Administration Fit In? - Norma M. Riccucci
- * The Myth of the Dichotomy: Complementarity of Politics and Administration in the Past and Future of Public Administration - James H. Svara

Ethics

- * Moralists, Pragmatists, and Rogues: Bureaucrats in Modern Mysteries - William T. Gormley Jr.
- * The Profession of Public Administration: An Ethics Edge in Introductory Textbooks? - James S. Bowman, Evan M. Berman, Jonathan P. West

Technology

- * Realizing the Promise: Government Information Systems and the Fourth Generation of Information Technology - David Landsbergen Jr., George Wolken Jr.
- * Police Information Technology: Assessing the Effects of Computerization of Urban Police Functions - Samuel Nunn

Book Reviews

- * Distant Mirrors: Eight Recent Exemplary Models - Richard J. Stillman II
 - * Welfare Reform: Assessing its Political, Economic, and Social Effects - Stephen E. Condrey
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7) CAP PUBLICATIONS PROVIDE PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

Can't attend a workshop or the National Conference? Just getting started in PM implementation or trying to make your PM program work? Planning to teach a workshop? If so, you may wish to order one of CAP's useful and highly-regarded PM workbooks:

- * Newly Updated: Performance Measurement Concepts and Techniques

Now in its third edition, CAP's popular workbook has been used by thousands of trainers, students and practitioners since it was first published in 1998. Culled and shaped from material tested in performance measurement workshops throughout the country, this workbook brings together the experience of some of the country's top performance measurement consultants and trainers. This workbook is especially designed to suit the needs of a variety of users. MPA classroom instructors, workshop trainers, or managers trying to get up to speed on managing for results will all find this workbook easy to use. To read more about this workbook, visit ASPA/CAP's web site at <http://www.aspanet.org/cap/>. For a limited time, copies are still only \$15 each; orders of 12 copies or more are only \$9 per copy (nominal shipping and handling charges also apply). Order your copy today at the ASPA Store at <http://www.aspanet.org/store/storeframes.htm> or contact Delores Toye at ASPA at (202) 585-4319.

* Soon to be published: Making Performance Measurement Work

Scheduled for publication next month, this workbook is designed to cut through the complexity and help public administrators sort through the volume of information about performance measurement. Written by subject matter experts and public administrators who have been on the front lines of implementation, this workbook describes a realistic approach to performance measurement and is written for public administrators who are serious about making performance measurement work in their organizations. The format of the workbook makes it useful for practitioners interested in self-study and for trainers who facilitate practical workshops. The workbook is also suitable for faculty members to use in their MPA classes. For more information about the workbook or to pre-order, contact CAP Director, Jo Anne Lillis at jlillis@aspanet.org, or (757) 462-8286, extension 378.

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