

Archived SSSR Newsletter, 2-15-00

To: Members of SSSR

From: Darlene Beeman, association manager

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re: News Update

Annual Meeting. We are all looking forward to a terrific meeting in Stockholm. The dates are July 22-23, 2000.

This will be the first meeting of SSSR outside the U.S. and Canada. Our goal is to hold such meetings once every 5 years. This will firmly establish SSSR as a truly international organization and recognize the contributions of our current international membership. We encourage all current members to participate in this meeting, and to forward this newsletter to appropriate nonmembers who may be interested in joining SSSR and/or attending the Stockholm meeting. All presenters must be members of SSSR and must register for the conference. Information about membership application can be obtained on the SSSR web site (www.gse.utah.edu/edst/sssr).

Much of the general information on the Salens conference center, surrounding hotels, and Stockholm/Sweden has been collected by Mike Miller and Nancy Pedersen for the Behavioral Genetics Association meeting held June 8-10, 1998. The web sites are:

<http://www.bga.org/1998/bga1998.htm> (Conference information)

<http://www.bga.org/1998/sweden.htm> (General info. On Sweden)

Registration. Pre-Registration forms for the annual conference are enclosed. Please return by March 31st. We have also included on this form the rates that will be assessed for on-site registration for information purposes. In addition to registration fees, it is likely that a \$20 surcharge will be assessed to all non-student registrants at the registration site. This surcharge will cover anticipated additional conference service costs, and will not be assessed if these costs can be avoided. We will be accepting US or Swiss currency at the conference. **(NOTE: All dues and registration are to be paid prior to your presentation. International members who plan on paying at the conference need to return their registration form prior to March 31st to be included on the program.)**

Preliminary Program. The preliminary program will be posted at the SSSR web site (www.gse.utah.edu/edst/sssr) by the end of April. All members will be notified by email at the time of posting.

Dues. A 2000 dues statement is enclosed for those who have not paid.* Be sure to pay your dues by March 31 this year to avoid late charges. Also, the dues have increased this year so please make a note of the new rates.

Election Results. The secretary, Patricia Alexander, has tallied the votes for Vice President and for a new Board Member. Joanna Williams will be our new Vice President. The newest Board Member is Pieter Reitsma. Congratulations to Joanna and Pieter and thank you to the entire slate of highly qualified candidates for your willingness to serve.

Awards. We also are pleased to recognize Peter Bryant, Outstanding Scientific Contribution awardee, and Dick Venezky, Distinguished Fellow, who will deliver keynote addresses at the annual meeting.