



SEPA 2011 NEWSLETTER

SEPA 2012 in New Orleans! Starting on Wednesday, February 15th and running through Saturday the 18th.

The deadline for submission is early this year because the 2012 meeting will coincide with Mardi Gras. All submissions are due by September 27th.

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Presidential Message

by: **Debra Sue Pate**

One frequently reads and hears these days about increasing globalization. At the same time, we are encouraged to think locally. There is a similar set of opposing trends in psychology. On the one hand, psychologists have been pressured to become more and more narrowly specialized; on the other, the need for working across boundaries, between as well as within disciplines, is increasingly recognized.

The push for increasing specialization has borne some of the blame for declining membership in and attendance at meetings of general professional organizations, both national and regional. General organizations, especially the nationals and the larger regionals like the Southeastern Psychological Association (SEPA), however, provide a means of reconciling the opposing needs for keeping up with areas of specialization and for broadening knowledge beyond those areas.

At the annual meeting of the SEPA, the invited addresses, the paper and poster sessions, the symposia, and the Continuing Education workshops span most of the major sub-disciplines of psychology. Taking advantage of such opportunities to continue learning is something psychologists have routinely done for almost as long as the discipline has existed. Recently, however, a new term for this old practice, lifelong learning, has come into vogue, and the American Psychological Association has added "Attitudes Essential for Lifelong Learning" to the criteria on which accredited doctoral programs are judged. By participating in the meetings of the SEPA, members not only are engaging in lifelong learning themselves but also are modeling it for their students.

Participating in the meetings of the SEPA offers many benefits for students as well as for professionals. Because of lower dues, lower registration fees, and usually lower travel costs, the SEPA tends to be a much more affordable meeting than the nationals (with tighter university budgets, affordability is also an increasing consideration for professionals as well as for students). Students as well as professionals can benefit from the opportunity to explore areas of psychology beyond as well as within their own areas of specialization. Recognizing that current students are future colleagues, the SEPA offers awards to encourage student participation as well as awards for professionals.

In 2012, the SEPA will meet in New Orleans, Louisiana. As SEPA veterans know, New Orleans offers outstanding restaurants and music venues, the shops of the French Quarter, the beauties of the Garden District, and an ever-present sense of history, not to mention the Mississippi River. Our hotel, right on Canal Street, offers great views of some of the Mardi Gras parades which will occur during the time of our meeting. Come join us in New Orleans, and laissez les bon temps rouler.



Debra Sue Pate

SEPA Convention 2012, New Orleans!

Annual meeting site preview

For information about membership or next year's meeting in New Orleans, please contact the Charleston staff (Amy Limehouse-Eager), at 843-953-0772, sepa@citadel.edu.

The convention will begin Wednesday, February 15th with a combination Welcome Reception (with light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar provided) and poster session. Finalists or runners-up from two competitions will be featured during this session: the Graduate Student Research Award and the CEPO Student Research Award for research on minorities or women. Additional posters from the regular SEPA program will also be presented during this popular session.

Programming on Thursday, Friday and Saturday will include Invited Speakers, Outstanding Professional Paper Award sessions, symposia and panels, poster sessions (both regular and interactive), Continuing Education workshops, paper sessions, and conversation hours. We also expect programming by SEIOPA, SWIM, Psi Chi, and other organizations this year. Please contact the SEPA office if you know of other psychology

organizations that might offer programming at our annual meeting! An evening reception will be held each day with light hors d'oeuvres and cash bar. Awards will be presented at the reception on Friday and the meeting will end Saturday at noon.

Registration, poster and paper sessions, workshops, symposia, and receptions will all be located in the Hotel's meeting facility. Hotel reservations can be made through our website at www.sepaonline.com. You may also contact The Sheraton at 888.627.7033. Room rates start at \$159.00 (single or double). Make your reservations early to be assured of your choice of accommodations. Hotel registration must be confirmed by Tuesday, January 24th 2012 to ensure the SEPA rate. Please refer to our calendar and deadlines for more information.



Amy Limehouse-Eager
in the new SEPA offices at
the Citadel.



New Administrative Officer & Offices

by: Al Finch

I am the new Administrative Officer of the Southeastern Psychological Association. I am pleased with my new role and look forward to working with the organization. For those of you who do not know me, let me tell you about myself. My first SEPA meeting was in 1969 as a graduate student in clinical Psychology at the University of Alabama. I immediately felt at home. Since that time I have regularly attended the annual meeting and have held a number of positions within the organization. For several years I was the Director of Continuing Education and later served as President Elect, President, and Past President.

To me, SEPA has represented my professional home base. It is the meeting I attend to see old friends and colleagues as well as attend presentations and poster sessions. I have enjoyed the fact that the SEPA annual meeting has been more informal than many of the other meetings I have attended and that it has provided a most welcoming environment for students.



Al Finch, SEPA
Administrative Officer



**New SEPA admin office
space on the Citadel campus.**

As the new Administrative Officer, I welcome your input on how we can make the meeting better as well what you want to make sure we don't screw up!



SEPA Awards 2011

Report on the 2011 Graduate Student Research Award

by: Steve A. Nida

The committee responsible for this year's Graduate Student Research Award competition was chaired by Steve Nida (The Citadel). In the first phase of the process, the submissions were evaluated by the chair and four other judges: Adrian Janit (Augusta State University), Chad Galuska (College of Charleston), Ian Norris (Murray State University), and James Wirth (University of North Florida). Dr. Janit, Dr. Wirth, and Dr. Nida served as the judges for the second phase of the competition, in which the finalists presented their papers; also serving as judges for the oral presentations were Eileen Cooley (Agnes Scott College) and Amber Garcia (College of Wooster).

The committee initially received eight submissions for the competition; one author submitted two abstracts. The panel of five judges selected three of these as finalists, and the three (first) authors presented their papers in a session devoted specifically to this competition. That session, which took place from 11:00 to 11:50 on Friday morning of the convention (March 4), was comprised of the following presentations:

- Tasha Burton (The Citadel): “The Roles and Perceptions of Bystanders in Bullying and Ostracism” (with Conway Saylor)
- Melina Sevlever (Auburn University): “Imitation in ASDs: An Analysis of Tasks and Errors” (with Jennifer Gillis and Richard Mattson; and Raymond Romanczyk, State University System of New York, Binghamton)
- Celeste Williams (Augusta State University): “Does Skin-Tone Affect Severity Ratings of Child Behavior?”

The panel of judges for the final presentation determined Melina Sevlever to be the winner of the competition. Dr. Nida announced the outcome of the competition and presented the award (which included a check for \$200) at the reception that same evening (March 4).

Report on the 2011 Outstanding Professional Paper Award

by: Georgina Hammock

I organized the Outstanding Professional Paper Award for the Spring 2011 SEPA meeting. Twenty one presentations were eligible for the competition based on the criteria used for assessment (i.e., the first author was a professional member of SEPA and the paper was rated 5 by reviewers). Authors of these

presentations were contacted and asked if they would be interested in submitting a short paper detailing their research. Seventeen agreed to submit the required paper. Judges evaluated the submitted paper and presentation. Each judge evaluated 4 – 5 papers. The judges included: James Arruda (University of West Florida), Georgina Hammock (Augusta State University), Steven Lloyd (North Georgia College and State University), Sharon Pearcey (Kennesaw State University), Deborah Richardson (Augusta State University), Chuck Robertson (North Georgia College and State University), and Jackie White (University of North Carolina – Greensboro). The seventeen papers judged included:

- **Parents stressing limits: A method of reducing college freshmen drinking?** Debra Ainbinder, Robert Riedel, and Bradley Trager, Lynn University.
- **Objectified body consciousness: Personality traits and gender differences.** J. Brian Pope, Thomas Harlow, Kristy Crawley, and Sierra Sims, Tusculum College.
- **Knowledge, anxiety, compassion, and contact with older adults: Predicting ageism.** Stefanie Boswell, University of the Incarnate Word.
- **Caring for the elderly: Quantitative validation of five stage theory.** Neil Davis, University of West Florida; Dorothy Davis, Pensacola, Florida; Douglas Friedrich, Jamie Partyka, and Kristen Palazzo, University of West Florida.
- **Consenting to unwanted sex: Effects of gender and relationship type.** Amy Buddie, McKenzi Myers, Cara Sperry, and Stephanie Dulaney, Kennesaw State University.
- **Group relations within the fabric of Ecuadorian education: Qualitative study.** Rolf Holtz, Charlotte Minnick, Isabelle Warren, and Joshua Corbin, Troy University.
- **Minority STEM undergraduates: A model of stress, esteem and GPA.** Matthew J. Zagummy, Tennessee Tech University; David S. Shen-Miller, Tennessee State University; James Alexander, Tennessee Tech University.
- **Assessing first-generation Tusculum College freshmen with the College Persistence Questionnaire.** Hall P. Beck, Appalachian State University; J. Brian Pope and Melinda Dukes, Tusculum College; Mary Burton, Mariam Qasim, and Cheston D. Harris, Appalachian State University.
- **College Persistence Questionnaire identifies factors influencing commitment of military cadets.** Hall P. Beck, Appalachian State University; Patricia L. Donat, North Georgia College & State University; Jacob Lindheimer and Anna L. Dudley, Appalachian State University.
- **Increasing campus and civic engagement via a token economy.** John Carton, Keith Aufderheide, and Janet Maddox, Oglethorpe University.
- **Investigating predictors of change blindness.** Lisa VanWormer, Jamie Partyka, Sara Senkbeil, and Steven Kass, University of West Florida.
- **Parents report infants learn best from video with parent co-viewing.** Shoshana Dayanim, Saryn Levy, and Laura Namy, Emory University.
- **Reading Interruptus! The effect of text messaging on reading comprehension.** Vicki Gier, Deborah Hoadley, Meagan Breau, Danielle Dunkerson, and Tiffany Green, Mississippi State University.

- **Paranormal beliefs then and now.** Harvey Richman and Courtney M. Bell, Columbus State University.
- **PTSD and cortisol: The role of trauma-related stressors.** Laura Stoppelbein, Argosy University; Leilani Greening, University of Mississippi Medical Center.
- **Minor illnesses, temperament, and toddlers' social functioning.** Amy Kolak, Tara Frey, and Chloe Brown, College of Charleston; Lynne Vernon-Feagans, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
- **Early family psychological health possible protective factor for HIV+ youth.** Michelle Broth and Christina Gilchrist-Zezima, Georgia Gwinnett College.

One paper was judged more favorably than all others: Parents report infants learn best from video with parent co-viewing presented by Shoshana Dayanim of Emory University. The winner was announced at the reception on Friday night. The award was accepted by Dr. Dayamin's student since she had already left the convention.

Report on the 2011 Mentor Award by: Patricia Donat

The Southeastern Psychological Association values student mentorship. Each year nominations for an outstanding mentor award are submitted for review by an award committee consisting of the most recent award winner, the SEPA President, and the SEPA President-Elect. This year seven nominations were submitted for consideration. Dr. Merry Sleigh was selected to receive the 2011 SEPA Outstanding Mentor Award. She received a plaque and a cash award during the Awards Reception in Jacksonville. Dr. Sleigh, a member of the faculty at Winthrop University since 2003, is described by her students and by her chair as a dedicated mentor. Dr. Sleigh has supervised over 150 undergraduate researchers. Most recently, in 2010, four projects under her guidance received Psi Chi Regional Awards at the SEPA conference. Congratulations Dr. Sleigh!



SEPA Proposal Etiquette: Staying within Ethical Bounds

by: Rosemary Hays-Thomas

In my years as SEPA's Administrative Officer, I have been heavily involved in managing and using the results of our review process. Please allow me to share with you some examples of troublesome behaviors by submitters, some of which may rise to the level of being unethical. It has occurred to me that some readers may be new to the convention submission process, or may not have been tutored specifically by their faculty or mentors about some of these issues. In that spirit, here are some of the problems I've seen.

My Schedule Does Not Permit... In our instructions for submission, we say that submission constitutes an agreement to present your work at the time it is scheduled. We generally do honor any special requests that are made **AT THE TIME OF SUBMISSION**. For example, some members cannot present on Saturday for religious reasons. Building the convention schedule is a VERY complex activity, and as items are scheduled, our "degrees of freedom" drop significantly. What may look like a simple change to the submitter may actually involve readjusting several other items. This is especially true for papers because paper sessions, unlike poster sessions, are designed around a specific number of presentations in the time slot. Should something (like illness or emergency) occur shortly before the convention, it is the author's responsibility to find a colleague who can present in his or her place.

PLEASE DO:

- mention any problem times at the time of submission;
- be prepared to present at the time and place assigned;
- find a replacement if at the last minute you are unable to present and
- contact the SEPA office if a problem develops.

PLEASE DO NOT:

- submit a proposal involving others who do not understand or agree to these policies;
- withdraw your already-scheduled submission because you can't get travel funds;
- request after scheduling to switch a paper to a poster;
- just fail to show up as scheduled.



Disappearing Coauthors. Our CALL says that, for papers and posters, the proposal is “based on completed research, or at least on work which is complete enough in terms of data collection and analysis so that preliminary conclusions can be drawn.” If this is the case, questions of authorship should already have been decided. The APA Publication Manual (6th ed.) states on p. 18 that “As early as practicable in a research project, the collaborators should decide on ... what level credit should be given (first author, second author, etc.). Collaborators may need to reassess authorship credit and order if changes in relative contribution are made in the course of the project (and its publication...) when a paper is accepted by an editor, each person listed in the byline must verify in writing that he or she agrees to serve as an author and accepts the responsibilities of authorship.”

Unlike journals, convention programs such as SEPA’s do not request revisions to proposals before decisions are made to accept or reject. The Publication Manual mentions situations in which authorship credit might change: additional analyses beyond the skill level of original authors, need for unanticipated student supervision. This implies that it might be acceptable to change the listed authorship before a submission is accepted. But once a proposal is accepted, based on what has already been submitted, it is difficult to see what would justify a request to add or drop an author – beyond an inadvertent omission that was belatedly discovered.

PLEASE DO:

- discuss and agree on relative authorship credit before you submit a proposal;
- double-check your proposal: have you listed all coauthors in the right order?
- list a doctoral student as the first author on work based on the dissertation;
- “accurately reflect the relative contributions of the persons involved” (p. 19).

PLEASE DO NOT:

- add or drop anyone’s name without discussing it with them first;
- list anyone as author who has not contributed substantially to the project;
- request an authorship change once a proposal is accepted.

Hey, this sounds familiar! It is not appropriate to submit a proposal to SEPA if the work has already been presented or published, or is currently under review, elsewhere. Sometimes people submit work to a convention and later publish a revised version based on feedback from the earlier presentation – this is quite appropriate, and you’ll notice footnotes saying that an earlier version was presented at such-and-such convention.

PLEASE DO:

- Consider using previously published or presented work as part of a conversation hour, panel, symposium, or other session (rather than a paper or poster);
- Build newly prepared proposals on a body of research conducted, presented, or published previously;
- Improve your work based on feedback you receive from prior submissions, presentations, or reviews.

PLEASE DO NOT:

- Submit the same proposal to SEPA more than once – unless significantly revised, improved, or expanded;
- Submit the same proposal to SEPA and other outlets at the same time;
- Submit to SEPA as original work any material that has been previously presented or published (or accepted for presentation or publication).

We think it will turn out... As mentioned above, empirical research should be largely completed at the time of submission. Our “proposals” are for presentation, not for the conduct of research! Our CALL says “Authors should clearly state the status of data collection and analysis in their proposals.” Our reviewers make their judgments based on what is stated in your proposal. Have you ever been disappointed to check out a poster or paper that sounds exciting, only to find that the research hasn’t been conducted or finished yet?

PLEASE DO:

- Clearly and accurately state in your proposal how far along the research is;
- Consider submitting research ideas or partially completed work as a conversation hour or interest group – you may find good collaborators that way!
- Trust that the reviewer used his or her best judgment in deciding whether your research was ready, and well enough communicated, to be presented.

PLEASE DON’T:

- Misrepresent how much work has already been done;
- Draw conclusions before the data are collected and analyzed.

What was he/she thinking? In one case, the author of an accepted presentation contacted us to say that he/she would like to substitute a different project, with a different title, for the one that had been submitted, reviewed, and accepted as a poster/paper. The review process is not a popularity contest: it does not determine whether this person does good enough work to present some of it. Instead, the review is conducted on a particular description of work in order to determine if this research or scholarship should be presented.

PLEASE DO:

- present the work that you submitted!

Please share this set of guidelines with students, colleagues, new SEPA members, or others you think would profit from reading them. Following these recommendations should maintain and improve the quality of the SEPA program, and also will make life easier for the Program Chair and the Administrative Office.

SEPA History Project

by: **James L. Pate**

Since the last report about the SEPA History project, which was published in the previous SEPA Newsletter, normal activities, including collection of documents and updating various databases, have occurred. I am increasing the number of databases as time allows so that information about the SEPA will be readily available to the officers and the Executive Committee members of the SEPA. I organized the annual History of Departments of Psychology in the Southeast Symposium, which included histories of departments at the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, at North Georgia College and State University, at the University of Mary Washington, and at the University of North Florida. Debra Sue Pate organized the Eminent Southeastern Psychologists Symposium, which included papers about Raleigh Drake, John Madison Fletcher, Robert Morris Ogden, and Henry Wieghorst Nissen. The annual historian's address was entitled "Geographic and Other Attributes of SEPA Members and Participants."

Two special activities occurred during the year between the 2010 and 2011 annual meetings of the SEPA. First, at my request, the Executive Committee approved the addition of an Associate Historian to the SEPA History Project. I prepared a call for nominations for the position that was placed on the SEPA web site and in the SEPA Newsletter, and only one person, Debra Sue Pate, was nominated. President Patricia L. Donat appointed Debra Sue to the position. She has been organizing either jointly with me or alone the Eminent Southeastern Psychologists Symposium for several years and has participated in other aspects of the SEPA History Project. She will be an outstanding addition to the SEPA History Project.

Second, after discussion with the Executive Committee, I have started making arrangements with the American Psychological Association to scan SEPA documents into PsycExtra, a database of gray literature. Initially, the programs of the SEPA will be scanned into PsycExtra and, thus, will be available for historical research by anyone interested in the SEPA's history. The Executive Committee also has authorized the scanning of documents such as the annual call for proposals into PsycExtra. I will prepare those documents for scanning over the next several months. There is no cost to the SEPA for scanning the documents or for making them available on the Internet.

If you have questions about the SEPA History Project or suggestions for improving the project, you may send them to me at jpate@gsu.edu.



James L Pate

Continuing Education 2012

by: **Jared Keeley**

Do you have an idea for a continuing education workshop? Are you interested in sharing your expertise in a particular area of practice? We are currently looking for strong, innovative workshop presentations for the 2012 SEPA Convention in New Orleans. Topics can include... innovative, empirically supported interventions; best assessment practices; ethical issues; supervision; research or statistical methods; teaching; industrial-organizational topics; and many more. Past presenters are always welcome to submit, but we strongly encourage new presenters as well.

Due to the earlier convention date, submissions will open for review somewhat earlier than has been the case in previous years—August 29, 2011. Please be aware that the deadline for submissions is also earlier—September 27, 2011. If you have an idea for a CE workshop, but are unsure if you should submit, please feel free to contact me for more information. To submit an application, please use the SEPA electronic submission system (available at www.sepaonline.com), or contact me directly at the information provided below.

We hope to offer a wide variety of interesting and engaging continuing education workshops for the 2012 SEPA Convention in New Orleans. We look forward to seeing you there!



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CEPO 2012, The 40th Anniversary

By: Jennifer C. Friday

In 1972, faced with the mood of the country for equal rights for women and minority groups, SEPA became the first regional organization to give them a voice at the table when they formed "Committee on the Status of Women." The Committee later became The Committee on Equality of Professional Opportunity (CEPO), a standing subcommittee of SEPA. The committee's mission is to promote professional equality for all psychologists, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, or disability. CEPO has done just that over the last forty years with programming addressing the issues of concern to these groups.

At the 2012 SEPA conference in New Orleans, we plan to celebrate 40 years of continued service to the organization. This celebration, our Ruby Anniversary, will include invited speakers and symposia. We will hear from persons who were involved in the formation of the organization and from persons who have served the organization in a variety of ways over the years. Former chairs and committee chairs of the organization are being invited back for the celebration. We hope you plan to join us.

We welcome your ideas about how to celebrate the anniversary. If you have ideas or thoughts that you would like to share, please let us know. We also welcome any special remembrances of thoughts that you have about CEPO over the 40 years. Please feel free to contact the co-chairs, Jennifer C. Friday (jfriday@fridayconsultinggroup.com) or Jackie White (jwwwhite@uncg.edu), with your thoughts and ideas about celebrating this anniversary. We look forward to seeing you in New Orleans.

CEPO OFFICERS:

Chair: Jennifer C. Friday, jfriday@fridayconsultinggroup.com

Co-Chair: Jackie White, jwwwhite@uncg.edu

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Call for Nominations

By: Pat Donat

It is once again time to nominate SEPA members for the fall election. Each member may nominate up to three people for each office. The members receiving the highest number of nominations for each position who agree to be candidates will appear on an election ballot which will be sent to you later. This year we will be electing our President-Elect who serves as Program Chair (2012-2013), as President (2013-2014), and as Election Committee Chair (2014-2015); and a Member-at-Large (2012-2015). For your information the names of those who have served as officers in recent years are listed below. Members who have served as president may not hold that office again, but they may serve in another capacity. The election process is described in our Constitution, which is posted on our Website at www.sepaonline.com. Please contact Dr. PATRICIA L. DONAT at North Georgia College & State University 706.864.1602 and/or sepa_elections@northgeorgia.edu for further information or to nominate a colleague.

Please nominate up to three members for each office. Current and recent office holders are listed below:

PAST PRESIDENTS SINCE 1995

1995-1996, Jennifer C. Friday
1996-1997, Jacquelyn W. White
1997-1998, Nathan W. Perry
1998-1999, W. Harold Moon
1999-2000, Rosemary Hays-Thomas
2000-2001, Sheila Eyberg
2001-2002, Mervyn K. Wagner
2002-2003, Richard D. Tucker
2003-2004, Stephen H. Hobbs
2004-2005, A. J Finch, Jr.
2005-2006, Jean Spruill
2006-2007, Lillian M. Range
2007-2008, Deborah South Richardson
2008-2009, James L. Pate
2009-2010, David Washburn
2010-2011, Patricia Donat



Pat Donat passes the SEPA presidential gavel to Debra Sue Pate in Jacksonville.

PAST SECRETARY-TREASURES SINCE 1995

1995-98, Rosemary Hays Thomas
1999-2001 Richard D. Tucker
2001-2004, Jean Spruill
2004- 2007, Slater Newman
2008-2010 Sabina C. Widner

CURRENT OFFICERS and the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Debra Sue Pate, President
Steve Nida, President Elect
Patricia Donat, Past President
Sabina C. Widner, Secretary-Treasurer 2011-2013
Georgina Hammock, Member At Large 2009-2012
Joan Duer, Member at Large 2011-2013
Jenny Hughes, Member At Large 2011-2015
James L. Pate, Historian
Debra Sue Pate, Associate Historian
A. J. Finch, Jr., Administrative Officer
Jennifer C. Friday, CEPO Chair
Jared Kneely, Director of Continuing Education
Chuck Robertson, Newsletter Editor

Invited Speakers for the SEPA convention in New Orleans

- **Anthony G. Greenwald, University of Washington, "Implicit Bias: New Forms of the American Dilemma and the New Science of Discrimination"**
 - **Randall W. Engle, Georgia Institute of Technology, "Working Memory/Attention Control as State and Trait Variables"**
 - **Ludy T. Benjamin, Jr., Texas A&M University, "Dancing with Who Brung Us: Recapturing the Importance of Teaching"**
 - **The 2012 G. Stanley Hall Lecture, sponsored by the APA Education Directorate: Roy F. Baumeister, Florida State University, "The Why, What, and How of Human Consciousness"**
 - **The 2012 Psi Chi Distinguished Lecture: Adrian Raine, University of Pennsylvania, "Neurocriminology"**
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Updates about SEPA

- SEPA is incorporated in the state of South Carolina as a 501 (c) 6. Later in the year SEPA will be applying for 501 (c) 3 status so that a foundation may be created.
- SEPA dues and convention fees will be changing slightly in the coming year to cover increasing expenses and bring equity to dues paying members. Check the website for more information on changes and life memberships.
- Check New Orleans Mardi Gras websites for more info on parade routes and activities. The Sheraton is on the opposite side of Canal

Street from most activities in the quarter. You can find parade routes for your phone on this website:

www.mardigrasneworleans.com

- Check the websites below for a more complete listing of awards, grants, and other funding Sources. SEPA members have a long tradition of leadership and are often the recipients of many national awards.
 - [American Psychological Foundation \(APA\)](#)
 - [Charles L. Brewer Distinguished Teaching of Psychology Award](#): \$2,000 to recognize a significant career of contributions of a psychologist who is an exceptional teacher of psychology.
 - [Culbertson Travel Grant](#): \$1,500 to support women from developing countries who are in the early stages of their careers by providing travel funds to attend conferences in psychology.
 - [Society of the Teaching of Psychology \(STP\)](#)
 - [Association for Psychological Science \(APS\)](#)
 - [Psi Chi Awards & Grants](#)
- [SEPA on Facebook!](#) We'll be putting up convention info nearer to the meeting and sharing on the site below:
 - <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Southeastern-Psychological-Association/112672365447717>
 - Search for “Southeastern Psychological Society”



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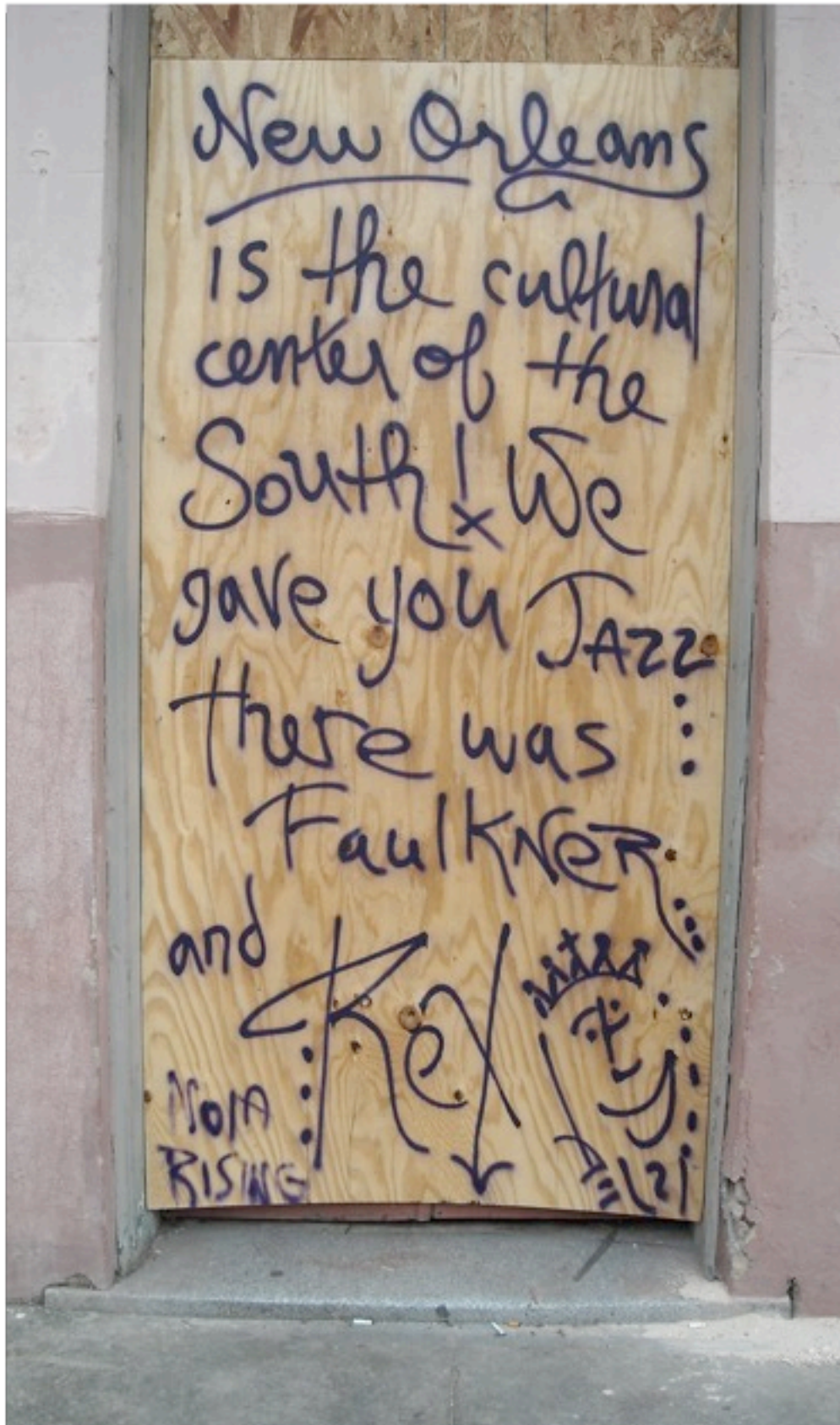


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