



TENNESSEE CONFERENCE NEWSLETTER

March 1992

Spring Meeting

As announced in our last newsletter, the Spring meeting of the Tennessee Conference will be held on Saturday, April 4, 1992, in the Library at the University of the South in Sewanee. The formal meeting will begin at 10 a.m., but coffee and doughnuts will be available for the early birds who arrive from 9:30 on and who would like to spend some time chatting with old friends and meeting the newcomers. We will break at noon for lunch and will return about 1:30 for a second session. The second session will end by 3:30 p.m. Since the campus is small, we have not included a map. The library is one block off the main road leading through the campus. Please return the registration sheet included in this newsletters so that our Sewanee colleagues can know how many participants to expect.

Ads Come to Conference Newsletter

For the first time, the newsletter of the Tennessee Conference contains an advertisement. In moving to accept advertisements, the Conference follows the lead of *Academe* and various other state conferences which help to defray their publication costs through advertising revenues. Our first advertiser is VALIC, one of the companies that competes with TIAA-CREF for your annuity funds. Because we are new to the business, we do not have a set of

policies to govern the printing of advertisements. Until such time as the delegates to a conference meeting give us more specific guidelines, we will follow two common principles: (1) the printing of an ad will not imply endorsement of a product or the point-of-view expressed; (2) the newsletter editor in consultation with the executive committee reserves the right to reject any ad which he deems offensive, libelous or otherwise inappropriate. Any such rejection would be reported to the conference meeting so that delegates could discuss the action.

Candidates for Conference Offices

For President

Richard Gross is an Associate Professor of Biology at Motlow State Community College, where he has taught for fifteen years. He has served on the Faculty Council and twice has received the Teaching Excellence Award. He has been a member of AAUP for twenty-three years. He has served two terms as Chapter President and two terms as Chapter Vice President. For the State Conference he has chaired the Membership Committee, and he is currently the Vice President for Public Institutions. Before coming to Tennessee, Professor Gross taught for thirteen years at Palm Beach Community College, where he served as Vice Chair of the Faculty Senate and was named

Conservation Educator of the Year by the Audubon Society of the Everglades. His B.A. and M.A. are from Florida State. He is an avid photographer and has had numerous photographs published in texts and journals.

Luise Lewald is a retired member of the Mathematics faculty at Pellissippi State Community College, where she taught from 1975 to 1990. At retirement she was an Associate Professor. She is currently teaching there again as an Adjunct Faculty Member in Mathematics. Her B.S. degree in Mathematics is from the University of Minnesota and her M.A. in Mathematics is from the University of Tennessee Knoxville. She was Chair of the Faculty Council at Pellissippi State in 1987-88 and organized the first Pellissippi AAUP chapter in 1988. She is an accomplished singer and has performed in many solo and ensemble concerts.

For Vice President for Public Institutions

Faye Johnson, an Associate Professor of Sociology at Middle Tennessee State University, has taught at her institution for 22 years. She holds a B.S. and M.A.T. in Sociology from Middle Tennessee State and an M.A. from Vanderbilt in the same field. She is interested in social movements, social change, and the sociology of the future. Currently she is President Elect of the MTSU chapter of AAUP and has served as Secretary and Treasurer of the chapter as well. She has been a member since 1971. She was named Outstanding Teacher at MTSU in 1983. She is also Co-President of the League of Women Voters.

Nancy Lauckner is an Associate Professor of German at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, where she has taught since 1970. She has been the co-editor of the state newsletter of the American Association of German Teachers for 20 years, and been otherwise very active in the Tennessee Foreign Language Teachers Association. In 1989 she received that organization's outstanding service award for a post-secondary teacher. Her main field of academic interest is the literature of the former GDR and Holocaust literature. She has her B.A. from Elmira College, her M.A. from Middlebury, and her Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin (Madison). She has been a member of the UTK chapter for about 20 years. She served in the UTK Faculty Senate from 1983 to 1986.

For Vice President for Independent/Private Institutions

Durwood Dunn is a Professor of History and Chairman of the Department of History and Political Science at Tennessee Wesleyan College. He has taught there since 1975. Prior to that he was at Hiwassee College for four years. His B.A. in History and Latin and his M.A. and Ph.D. in History are from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. He is the author of an award-winning book on Cades Cove and has an NEH grant to do a book on justice in Tennessee in the 19th century. He is a long-time member of AAUP at an institution which was on the Association's censured list for many years.

Robert Hughes is a Professor of Systematic Theology at the University of the South. He came to Sewanee in 1977. He is also

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Please return this form to Pat Phillips, Library, University of the South, Sewanee, TN 37375 by Tuesday, March 31.

I plan to attend the Spring meeting of the Tennessee Conference on April 4, 1992.

Name _____

Institution _____

_____ I enclose \$10.00 registration fee. (Make checks payable to Tennessee Conference, AAUP.)

_____ I will pay the registration fee when I arrive.

an ordained Episcopal priest. His B.A. is from Yale and he has his Master's in Divinity from the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge. He also has an M.A. and Ph.D. in Theology from the University of St. Michael's College in Toronto. He has been on the board of Sewanee's AAUP since 1979 and served as President of the chapter from 1985 until 1987. He was elected Vice President of the Tennessee Conference in 1990 and in January of this year he assumed the office of President of the Tennessee Conference when President Robert Glenn had to step down for reasons of health. He is Secretary/Treasurer of the Conference of Anglican Theologians.

For Secretary-Treasurer

Gilbert Fernandez is Professor of History at Tennessee Technological University. He has been a faculty member there since 1968. Besides his principal area of modern European history he has also frequently taught one or more Spanish classes. His B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees are from Florida State University, and he has a second Master's

from the University of Madrid. He has been a member of AAUP since 1968 and served the TTU chapter first as Secretary Treasurer, then as Vice President and then as President during the years 1972-75. He has served as Secretary/Treasurer of the Conference since 1988. From 1974 to 1982, he served as a member of the Academic Council, the precursor of the TTU Faculty Senate, and then as a Faculty Senator.

Ronald Sommer is a librarian at UT Memphis. His titles are Special Projects Librarian, Weekend Supervisor, and Associate Professor of Health Informatics. He has been with the UT Memphis Health Sciences Library since 1974. His B.S. degree in English Education and his M.S. in Library Science are from Florida State. He is a member of various library associations. He has served the UT Memphis chapter of AAUP as Secretary/Treasurer since 1985 and before that was Secretary/Treasurer in 1981-82, President Elect in 1981-82, President in 1982-83, and Past President in 1983-84. He has been a senator in the UT Memphis Faculty Senate since 1986 and the Recording Secretary of that body since 1991.
