

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT. . .

What a year we have had! We had a series of highly successful meetings in Portland and Washington. We are having another highly successful conference in Little Rock to continue our resurgence owing to Ashvin Vibhakar and Neva Wayman.

When times are good, there are unsung heroes working unselfishly behind the scene. We have had more than our share of those people during the past year. I would like share with you some of these volunteers who have kept our organization going strong.

First of all, we have four board members who are completing their 2-year duties. Jerry Conover of Northern Arizona who also worked as chair of the Information & Technology committee; Janet Fitch of Illinois who was an excellent representative of editors; Charles Krider of Kansas who staged the highly successful Spring 1999 meeting; and Sylvia Cook of Texas who represented the non-director and non-editor group on the board.



Semoon Chang
1998-99 AUBER President

We also had an unusually active year because of our work on strategic plans and the standing committees. Heartfelt thanks are due to: John Knapp of Federal Statistics; Jerry Conover of Information & Technology; Tom Witt of Membership; Bob McMahon of Constitution & Bylaws; Janet Fitch of the editors' program; Morton Marcus, Deborah Hamilton and Charles Little of Publications and publication awards; Roy Pearson and Tim Hogan of Relations with Other Organizations; Carlene Hill of ad hoc Strategic Planning; and Thayne Robson of ad hoc Advisory Committee to the President.

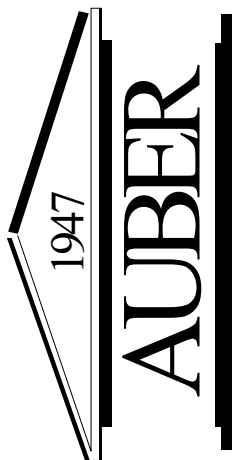
I feel honored to have Keith Schwer of Nevada as president, Tom Witt of West Virginia as president-elect, and Ashvin Vibhakar of Arkansas as vice president to succeed the presidency. The organization has been in steady hands of Jerry Wall and Dee Jones of the University of Louisiana at Monroe, working beyond the call of duties. We also have new board members with intelligent mind in Rick Harper of West Florida, Eve Irwin of Florida, Marshall Vest of Arizona, and David Stevens of Baltimore.

As we enter the new millenium, the board has decided to be more generous by recognizing hosts of the annual fall conferences as well as four members who have made major contributions to AUBER: Tony Redwood (Kansas), Bob McMahon (Southern Maine), Carlene Hill (Wichita), and Roy Pearson (William & Mary). The only reason this list does not include editors is that the editors who merit the same recognition are actively working with us.

If we have deans who are still reading this address, I have a special request to you. AUBER units can be successful only to the extent you allow us to be. Hopefully, you will share our enthusiasm in the role of AUBER units in promoting the universties and colleges we are working for. With your support, we can be quite active and efficient at that. Just try us.

Finally, I have truly enjoyed working with all of you. Now I will become one that I always enjoy being: a *plain* member of AUBER who can sneak out of some sessions without anyone noticing me. Thank you!

Semoon Chang,
University of South Alabama





THE ORDER OF WORDS MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN INTERPRETATION

During the past years of teaching a business writing course, I have studied how the order of words in a written message can make a difference in the interpretation of that message. They can either convey the correct message of the sender or be misunderstood. I do not mean whether there is subject-verb agreement or a dangling modifier (I have had seniors who thought there was nothing wrong with dangling modifiers in their sentences), but the strategic placing of words in each sentence.

I have tried to show my students that, as the writer, there has to be a purpose in writing the message. And as the writer there is something you want (or need) from the reader. If you want positive results, it is necessary for the message to be clearly understood and not offensive. That means a careful choice of words.

For example, in a business letter a refusal to provide credit or a service from a business can be written in a way to soften the bad news. By providing viable reasons written in a way that the reader says "these seem reasonable" (buffer) and immediately follow it with the refusal or bad news, it is easier for the reader to take. The remainder of the letter is read to discover what alternatives might be offered by the writer/business. This same letter could be written using a negative tone, using the shalt not's, and completely turn the reader away. But the reputation of the business is at hand (not to mention his/her job), and the smart writer is going to make sure it is not ruined.

And, because I practice what I preach, I can give an example of a letter I wrote using this approach to my students. I got the results I wanted, and the business was assured their reputation was still intact.

The careful use of words is important in academics as well. No professor wants a report or an article to "put off" the reader if that report or article is to be accepted. For example, read the following sentence: "My report is thorough, and I'm sure that you won't be able to continue efficiently without it." No humble pie eaten here. Not only is there a tad bit of arrogance to this sentence, but the reader has been lost. Instead, this sentence would be more appropriate: "I have tried to be as thorough as possible in my report, and I hope you find it useful." Certainly, this conveys more modesty and the effort the writer put into the report is understood.

Another example that just occurred recently demonstrates how important the use of words can be in conveying a message. An administrator used the word "flowing" to ask how money gets into our E&G budget for our SBDC. (Those of you with an SBDC know what I'm talking about.) Since I have learned not to be too shy when it comes to dealing with budget matters, I politely suggested that another word should be used instead. "Flowing" does not accurately describe what is done with the money. I see a river flowing or a leaf flowing down a river, but not money. Hopefully, as a result of my correction, the use of "flowing" has been eliminated in reference to any budget matter.

I guess what I have learned the most from teaching how to write, and practicing it, is it must be a conscious effort every time we write a message for someone else to read. What do we want to say, and how can we say it clearly and be brief? In other words, we must practice the art of writing even in the business world.

Janis Bryant, Mississippi State University

GREETINGS FROM THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

A MESSAGE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK...

We look forward to hosting the 1999 AUBER Fall Conference in Little Rock, October 24th - 27th. We hope all of you have your calendars marked and have made reservations. The DoubleTree reservation number is: 800-222-8733. Be sure and tell them you are with the AUBER group. Shuttle service is available upon request. The local phone number to call for shuttle service is: 372-4371.

Keith Schwer and Janet Fitch have been working on the program and we have been working on the "fun things." We hope to show you a good time while you are visiting our state. Come early and join us on the trip to Hot Springs on Saturday, the 23rd. Our president, Semoon Chang, has inquired about taking a bath while we are in the Spa City. Reservations cannot be made at the Bath House in advance, but perhaps some of you who feel the greatest need can arrange to get a bath while we are there. Vans are scheduled to leave the hotel at 2:00 P.M. We will tour the city and end the evening with a Sunset Dinner Cruise on Lake Hamilton aboard the *Bell of Hot Springs*.

Monday, the 25th, we plan to show you the Ozarks. We will leave the hotel at 10:15 A.M. If Mother Nature cooperates, the foliage will be at the peak of beauty for our trip to Mountain View. Our first stop will be Blanchard Springs Caverns, one of the most spectacular living caverns in the world. Bring casual clothes, a jacket, and comfortable shoes. Next, we will tour the Dulcimer Shoppe. If you have not seen a McSpadden Mountain Dulcimer, you are in for a real treat. We will tour the quaint downtown Mountain View before going to JoJo's to eat Arkansas catfish and possum pie. Our last event in the mountains will be the Ozark Folk Center show. You will be invited to hear the pure, sweet sounds of the fiddle, banjo, mandolin, dulcimer, autoharp, and acoustic guitar -- tap your toes, kick up your heels with the dancers, and enjoy the stage show in the Folk Music capital of the world!

There are many things to see and do while you are in Little Rock. We look forward to having you visit Arkansas. If you have any questions or suggestions, please give us a call: Ashvin Vibhakar and Neva Wayman: 501-569-8551. See you soon!



**UPDATE ON OFFICE OF
MANAGEMENT AND
BUDGET (OMB)
CIRCULAR A-110 REVISION
ON DATA SHARING**

The FY 1999 Omnibus Appropriations Bill language requires "... federal awarding agencies to ensure that all data produced under an award will be made available to

the public through the procedures established under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)." On February 4, OMB issued proposed new guidelines in response. The key language states that "after publication of the research findings used by the Federal government in developing policy or rules, the research results and underlying data would be available to the public in accordance with the FOIA." The proposed revision also requires federal agencies, in response to a FOIA request, to obtain the requested data from the recipient of the federal award. It is given "a reasonable time to do so." OMB received about 10,000 responses to the proposed new wording. The majority of the letters received (about 6,000) were in favor of the FY 1999 appropriation language. Those in favor support the idea that government supported research should be made available to other users in a timely manner. Those against the proposed new wording believe that the scope and process of what is intended is too broad and too vague. For example, what is meant by data? Will the proposed revision be limited only to data purposefully collected for federal policy making? What constitutes a publication and when would results or data need to be made accessible? Is FOIA the right framework for ensuring data disclosure under federal awards? Representative George Brown (D-CA) introduced H.R. 88 to repeal the original provision. To date this bill has not moved. There are other efforts to delay implementation of the revisions to the OMB circular for one year. New wording from OMB, in response to the letters received, is expected in the next few months.

**THE URBAN INSTITUTE RELEASES SNAPSHOTS
OF AMERICA'S FAMILIES**

The snapshots offer a look at the well being of children and adults based upon the 1997 National Survey of America's Families (NSAF). The NSAF, which pays particular attention to low-income families, and shows aspects of their lives and how they differ from the lives of children and adults in families with higher incomes. The data are organized into four subject areas: income and hardship; health; children's

environment and behavior; and adults' environment and behavior. Thirteen states are surveyed which represent more than half the nation's population. Detailed information was collected from 75,437 adults and 34,439 children in 44,461 households. Two conclusions are clear from the Snapshots. First, the circumstances of the 43 percent of children living in households with low incomes are very different from those of children in higher income households. Second the status of children and adults differ greatly around the country. The survey will be repeated in 1999. For further information contact the Urban Institute at: 202/261-5709.

**FEDERAL COMMITTEE ON STATISTICAL METHODOLOGY
(FCSM) RELEASES STATISTICAL POLICY WORKING
PAPER 28 - SEMINAR ON INTERAGENCY
COORDINATION AND COOPERATION**

On November 4-5, 1998, COPAFS hosted a "Seminar on Interagency Coordination and Cooperation. Developed to capitalize on work undertaken during the past twenty years by FCSM and its subcommittees, the seminar focused on a variety of topics that have been explored in the Statistical Policy Working Paper series and on work on statistical standards done by the Statistical Policy Office of OMB. The subjects covered at the seminar included: Fostering Inter-governmental Cooperation: Challenges of Federal-State Cooperative Data Systems; Training for the Future: Addressing Tomorrow's Survey Tasks; Integrating Administrative Records into Federal Statistics: Issues and Challenges; Applying Cognitive Methods: Uses in Establishment Surveys; Integrating Surveys: Achieving Efficiencies and Improving Quality Data; Providing Public Use Microdata Files: Records Linkage, Confidentiality, and the Future; Measuring performance: How Well Are We Doing?; Response Rates in Household and Establishment Surveys; Estimating and Defining Household Income; Alternative Measures; Measuring and Reporting Sources of Error in Federal Data Collection programs: Recommendations from the FCSM Data Quality Subcommittee; Sharing Methodology; and Changing Core Classification Systems. Copies of the Working Paper can be ordered from NTIS Document Sales, telephone number: 1-800/553-6847.

**NATIONAL CENTER FOR EDUCATION STATISTICS (NCES)
RELEASES EDUCATION STATISTICS QUARTERLY**

NCES has released the first issue of the Education Statistics Quarterly, designed to be a "user-friendly" and useful publication for the education statistics and policy communities. Each issue will include a large number of important reports on a variety of topics related to education. The reports will be organized by subject

matter, and an annual index will be provided to facilitate using the publication as a reference. The Quarterly will be timely, each issue containing reports and publications that will have been released in the most recent quarter. The featured topic for this first edition is teacher quality. There are also articles on early childhood education, elementary-secondary education, and post-secondary education. You can print copies from the NCHS web site at: <http://nces.ed.gov> Counting Convicts

COUNTING CONVICTS

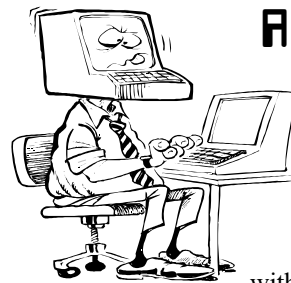
Representative Mark Green (R-WI) introduced a bill (H.R. 1632) to require that state prisoners be counted as residents of the state that pays more than half of the cost of incarcerating them. Representative Green has testified that the change in counting policy, based upon resident rules established for the decennial census, is necessary to accommodate the growing "practice of states leasing prison space in other states." Put another way, even though the prisoners are represented by the states they reside in, they "belong" to the states that pay the most for them. We wonder if this is a variation on a theme of medieval ownership. It's not clear to where the prisoners would be reassigned. Also, the question arises as to why this should be limited to prisoners. Why not extend it to hospital patients residing for long periods of time in another state, where the home state pays the other state to furnish medical treatments that are not available in the home state?

ANNIE E. CASEY FOUNDATION RELEASES *KIDS COUNT DATA BOOK 1999* STATE PROFILES OF CHILD WELL-BEING

The Annie E. Casey Foundation has released a report showing statewide data for ten indicators that highlight and assess trends in the well being of children. The indicators are: percent low birth-weight babies; infant mortality rate; child death rate; rate of teen deaths by accident, homicide, and suicide; teen birth rate; percent of teens who are high school dropouts; percent of teens not attending school and not working; percent of children living with parents who do not have full-time, year-round employment; percent of children in poverty; and percent of families with children headed by a single parent. For each state data are also shown for demographic changes in race and child health; social and economic characteristics; juvenile justice; and family risk index. The appendices include historical data on the indices going back to 1987 for each state. For more information, the email address is:

<http://www.kidscount.org>.

John Knapp, University of Virginia



AUBER TECH TIPS

...LITTER ALONG THE INFORMATION
HIGHWAY

ADOBE INDESIGN DELAYED

I had planned to fill this column with an early-impressions review of the much-anticipated new program from Adobe® Software, InDesign™. Unfortunately, the product has yet to ship, so there's nothing to evaluate yet except the pre-release hype from Adobe.

I even canceled my original order from a catalog firm (which offered a screaming introductory price of \$289 if purchased in August, compared to the suggested list price of \$739), when yesterday's mail brought their second form letter saying InDesign is still back-ordered. Figuring that maybe we could get the program more quickly by ordering directly from Adobe, I placed an on-line order last night, but there's no telling how soon the software will arrive. But those of you who have been thinking about acquiring the new program will be glad to hear that current users of Photoshop, Illustrator, PageMaker, or QuarkXPress can buy InDesign from Adobe at a special price of \$299.

So why all the interest? Well, our shop's biggest hope for InDesign is that it will reduce the hassles of working between Windows and Macintosh platforms when preparing publications. For a long time, many AUBER members have found themselves standing with a foot in each of two worlds, using Windows-based PCs to manipulate data, work with spreadsheets, etc., but having the pre-press work for the resulting publication done in a Mac environment. All too often, it seems, something gets lost in the translation, resulting in colors that don't exactly match what you thought you were getting, layouts that don't quite look like they did in the original files, and so on.

Adobe claims that InDesign "works seamlessly with Photoshop and Illustrator, providing a single integrated design environment that doesn't interrupt your creative process. InDesign even opens QuarkXPress and PageMaker files, so you can bring your work with you as you enter a new world of design possibilities." Moreover, they state that InDesign files created on one platform (e.g., a PC) should be fully usable on another (a Mac). Many additional features and benefits of InDesign may be found on-line at:

www.adobe.com/prodindex/indesign.

Maybe by the time you read this, copies of InDesign will be shipping and you'll be able to see for yourself whether it is truly the high-end wonder tool Adobe would have us believe. Time will tell ...

AUBER WEBSITE AWARDS

With the deadline just hours away as this is being written, seven entries have been received to date for the 1999 AUBER Website Award. I think the judges will agree that there are several fine sites being run by AUBER units, and we can all benefit from seeing how our peers use the Web to help carry out their missions. Don't miss the announcement of the Website Award winner at the fall conference in Little Rock.

Jerry Conover, Northern Arizona University

FOR YOUR INFORMATION...

SAN FRANCISCO FEDERAL RESERVE BANK SPONSORS WESTERN ECONOMIC OUTLOOK CONFERENCE

The San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank sponsored a day long Western Economic Outlook Conference in July. The following researchers from their respective AUBER units presented their various state forecasts:

Esmael Adibi, Chapman University
Paul Polzin, University of Montana
Thayne Robson, University of Utah
Lee Reynis, University of New Mexico
R. Keith Schwer, University of Nevada-Las Vegas
Marshall Vest, University of Arizona
Richard Wobbekind, University of Colorado-Boulder
Yolanda Strozier, Arizona State University
(presented the Western Blue Chip forecast)

This was the first such conference and was organized by Fred Furlong of the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank and R. Keith Schwer of the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

FOCUS GROUP FOR E-REMI

Regional Economic Models, Incorporated (REMI) is forming an AUBER-member focus group to help develop e-REMI, a new internet-based system for economic analysis. The e-REMI uses responses to an online interview to generate a customized dynamic economic impact report. The system evaluates the economic effects of a business location change based on a REMI Policy Insight™ simulation for a specific local area.

REMI is asking AUBER members to participate in a conference call/internet focus group in order to gain input during the development process. In particular, REMI is looking for people who have or anticipate the need to predict the economic effects of a business location decision on the economy of a local area. As a member of the focus group, REMI would ask you to do the following:

1. Participate with a small group of people in a 30-40 minute telephone conference call/internet focus group session; and
2. Fill out a questionnaire after the session with any comments/suggestions.

For your participation as a member of the focus group, REMI will send you a certificate for a \$200 discount for use of e-REMI within three months of the release date, and also a small box of New England maple sugar candy.

REMI is creating something that has never been done before, and is therefore very interested in how you will respond to e-REMI. In order to participate, please contact REMI by phone at 413-549-1169, fax 413-549-1038, or send a short e-mail to George Treyz at george@remi.com. REMI will contact you to arrange the conference call/internet focus group session.

THE UNIVERSITY FORMALLY KNOWN AS NLU...

On August 27, 1999, Northeast Louisiana University (NLU) formally changed its name to the University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM). According to University officials, the University of Louisiana at Monroe more accurately reflects the University's emergence in education throughout the Gulf South and beyond. Recently, the University qualified for Carnegie Doctoral II designation, a distinguished academic credential that proclaims the academic excellence reflected in both its graduate and undergraduate programs.

Please make a note of this name change when addressing the AUBER Secretary/Treasurer, Jerry Wall, or the AUBER Business Office, Dee Jones. Mail should now be directed to: AUBER, Center for Business & Economic Research, University of Louisiana at Monroe, Monroe, LA 71209-8046.

ROBERT C. MCMAHON RETIRES FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MAINE

Friend, colleague, and fellow AUBERite Bob McMahon has retired from his position with the University of Southern Maine. Although he will be missed on the AUBER board, at the 1999 Spring meeting, Bob became one of AUBER's few, an honorary member. So, hopefully, we will continue to see Bob and his lovely wife, Linda, at conferences to come.

For those wishing to drop Bob a line or two, his new mailing address is: 28 Minot Road, Pownal, ME 04069.

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Spouse/Companion Registration: NO ____ YES ____ Name of Spouse/Companion: _____

Registration Fees:

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION - AUBER Member (Sun. thru Wed. only)	\$250.00
AUBER Member Registration postmarked after September 24, 1999	\$275.00
Multiple Registrations from same University (deadline applies)	\$250.00/\$275.00
Non-AUBER member - Registration Fee	\$300.00
 Saturday trip to Hot Springs (per person; not included in registration fee)	 \$ 40.00* _____ (# attending)
Spouse/Dependent: Sunday Reception and Dinner	\$ 40.00
Monday Bus Trip to Mountain View	\$ 50.00
Tuesday Luncheon	\$ 22.00
 ALL EVENTS per Spouse/Companion (inc. Early Bird)	 \$150.00

NOTE: PLEASE CIRCLE EVENTS SPOUSE/COMPANION WILL BE ATTENDING.
**Saturday Early Bird trip is NOT included in the registration fees. Please indicate how many persons will be attending when registering.*

Member Payment: \$ _____	Member Saturday Trip Payment: \$ _____	Spouse/Companion Payment: \$ _____	Non-Member Payment: \$ _____
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Refund Policy: Cancellations must be received **no later than Friday, September 24, 1999**, in order to receive a full refund of the conference registration fee. A partial refund will be issued 30 days post-conference for cancellations received after the deadline and will be based upon actual conference costs incurred. The conference registration includes all conference materials, receptions, lunches, dinners, trip to Mountain View, and refreshment breaks.

If this is your first time to attend an AUBER Conference, please check this box.

Please make check payable to **AUBER Fall Conference 1999** and mail payment with registration to:

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AUBER FALL CONFERENCE 1999 -- PRELIMINARY AGENDA
OCTOBER 24 - 27, 1999
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“TARGETING RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES”

OCTOBER 24, SUNDAY P.M.:

- 2:00 - 5:00 Executive Committee Meeting
5:00 - 9:00 Opening Reception and Banquet

OCTOBER 25, MONDAY A.M.:

- 8:15 - 9:30 Communications I: *Current Issues in Editing and Communications*, Eve Irwin, University of Florida
10:00 - Trip to Mountain View

OCTOBER 26, TUESDAY A.M.:

- 8:00 - 10:00 AUBER Annual Business Meeting
10:00 - 10:30 Break
10:30 - 12:00 *Capturing Economic Opportunities: Arkansas Firms Operating in the New Economy*, Wal-Mart and Tyson Foods
10:00 - 11:00 Communications II: *Economic Issues in Producing Statistical Abstracts*,
Vincent Maruggi, University of New Orleans and Susan Floyd, University of Florida
11:15 - 11:55 Communications III: *Users of State Statistical Information: A Librarian's View*,
Mary Mallory, Documents Librarian, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

TUESDAY P.M.:

- 12:00 - 1:30 Luncheon
1:45 - 3:30 Session A: *Impact Analysis*
Competition Among the States for VentureStar and Future Spaceport: The Need for Impact Assessment,
Brian Rungeling, University of Central Florida
Conducting Impact Assessment with IMPLAN, Doug Olson, IMPLAN, MIG, Inc.
NAFTA and the Geography of North American Trade, Howard Wall, St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank

Session B: *State and Local Fiscal Issues*
Likely Developments in state and Local Finance in the Next Ten Years, John Knapp, University of Virginia
E-Commerce and State Finances: The Looming Crisis in Taxation of Transactions,
Marshall Vest, The University of Arizona
State and Local Policy, Factor Markets and Regional Growth,
Stephen P. A. Brown, Kathy J. Hayes, and Lori L. Taylor, Dallas Federal Reserve Bank and SMU

1:45 - 2:30 Communications IV: *SIC/NAICS for Abstracts and Other Publications*,
Robert Brown, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
2:45 - 3:30 Communications V: *The Web as a Distribution Point for Statistical Abstracts*,
Glenn King, Chief, Statistical Compendia Branch, U.S. Bureau of the Census
3:30 - 3:45 Break
3:45 - 5:00 Session C: *Software and Virtual Working Paper Archives*
Stata Software Capabilities, Vince Wiggins, Stata
Teleform Software Capabilities, John Parham, DISC, Inc.
The Virtual Working Archives for Stata, Christopher Baum, Boston College

Session D: *Time Series and Trending Analysis*
Long-term Trends in Kentucky Economy, Eric Thompson, University of Kentucky
Time Series Modeling, John C. Pickett, Department of Economics and Finance, UALR
Economic Base Modeling, Tom Harris, Center for Economic Development, University of Nevada-Reno
3:45 - 4:45 Communications VI: *Easy Ways to Turn Your Abstract into Other Income-Producing Publications*,
Susan Floyd and Eve Irwin, University of Florida

OCTOBER 27, WEDNESDAY A.M.:

- 8:00 - 10:00 *Seeking Research Opportunities in Strategic Relationships*
Advisory Boards and External Relationships, Paul Polzin, University of Montana and John Gnuschke, University of Memphis
Linking with Other Organizations, Tim Hogan, Arizona State University
Seeking Topics of Interest for Future Programs,
Ashvin Vibhakar, University of Arkansas at Little Rock and Tom S. Witt, West Virginia University
8:15 - 9:15 Communications VII: *Planning Session for Chicago Meeting*
9:30 - 10:00 Communications VIII: *Using the Web as a Data Source*, Pia Montoya and Marshall Vest, University of Arizona
10:00 - 11:45 ***Invent a Session:*** Network with other research centers on projects of mutual interest. Post a topic of interest (sign-up sheets will be available), meet and discuss issues of mutual interest. This time slot is set aside but if another time is better find a mutually agreeable time and place to network with AUBER people with similar interests.
10:15 - 11:45 Communications IX: *Roundtable Discussion of AUBER Publications and Technology Awards*
11:45 Adjournment



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