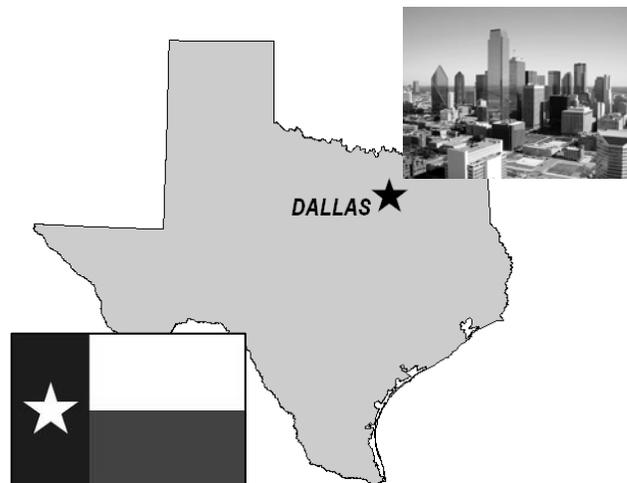


# APPLIED DEMOGRAPHY

Population Association of America – Committee on Applied Demography Newsletter

## HEADED FOR “BIG D”: CALL FOR PAPERS ISSUED FOR PAA 2010

Every New Year’s Day, the annual Tournament of Roses Parade winds its way through Colorado Boulevard in Pasadena, Calif. On the very next day (January 2), preparations begin in earnest for the following year’s event. So is the case with the Population Association of America (PAA) annual meeting. As soon as this year’s successful gathering in Detroit ended, preparations for next year’s event in Dallas began to move into high gear. With the 2010 meeting only months away (April 15-17), PAA has issued its call for papers. As in previous years, there is a topic devoted to an applied demography track, as well as several other sessions of potential interest to applied demographers.



All submissions need to be made online at the 2010 Annual Meeting Program website, (<http://paa2010.princeton.edu>). After logging into the site, authors will be requested to (1) enter the title, author(s), and a short (150-word) abstract; and (2) upload an extended (2-4 page) abstract or completed paper (either in Adobe PDF or Microsoft Word format). Authors may have their paper/abstract considered by two organizers, but they must indicate their first and second choices on the submission form. **No participant may appear on the PAA program more than twice.**

The deadline for submitting papers/abstracts is **September 21, 2009**.

The following sessions are of special interest to applied demographers:

### Applied Demography Sessions (Topic 11)

*Session 1101* – “Sub-National Estimates and Projections”  
(Organizer: Ken Hodges; Claritas, Inc.; [khodges@claritas.com](mailto:khodges@claritas.com)).

*Session 1102* – “Case Studies in Applied Demography”  
(Organizer: Bill O’Hare, Annie E. Casey Foundation, [wohare@aecf.org](mailto:wohare@aecf.org)).

*Session 1103* – “Demographic Consequences of Economic Downturns” (Organizer: Stanley K. Smith, University of Florida, [stans@bebr.ufl.edu](mailto:stans@bebr.ufl.edu)).

*Session 1104* – “Methods of Applied Demography: Compensating for Spatially Incomplete Data” (Organizer: Jack Baker, University of New Mexico, [kali@unm.edu](mailto:kali@unm.edu)).

### Other Sessions of Potential Interest

*Session 1003* (under Topic 10, Data and Methods) – “Statistical, Spatial, and Network Methods” (Organizer: Stephen Matthews, Pennsylvania State University, [matthews@pop.psu.edu](mailto:matthews@pop.psu.edu)).

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**Other Submissions (Topic 13)**

*Session 1301* – Other Topics – please submit **only if** no other session is appropriate (*Organizer:* Robert D. Mare; University of California, Los Angeles; [mare@ucla.edu](mailto:mare@ucla.edu)).

*Session 1302* – Poster Sessions (*Organizer:* Sandra Hofferth, University of Maryland, [hofferth@umd.edu](mailto:hofferth@umd.edu)). Poster sessions provide an important avenue for applied demographers to display their work. Some demographers, in fact, might find posters more conducive than papers.

*EDITOR'S NOTE:* There might be other sessions of interest to many applied demographers. A complete list, along with more details about the submission process, is available at the 2010 Annual Program website (<http://paa2010.princeton.edu>).

**SOUTHERN DEMOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION FINALIZING 2009 MEETING PREPARATIONS**

Dallas isn't the only city in Texas that will swing open its doors to the demographic community in the coming months, as Galveston will host the 2009 annual meeting of the Southern Demographic Association (SDA) October 22-24. The SDA is a national scientific and educational organization of professionals and students with interests in demography and population studies. Topics of interest cover the world, as well as any region, country, or subnational area.



Registration details are emerging, so interested persons should periodically check the 2009 SDA meeting web page ([http://sda-demography.org/sda\\_2009\\_meeting.php](http://sda-demography.org/sda_2009_meeting.php))

*HOTEL INFORMATION:* The Tremont House Hotel in Galveston is the official hotel for this year's conference. Participants can make their reservations by either (1) booking their rooms online through the hotel's website ([www.wyndham.com/hotels/GLSTH/main.wnt](http://www.wyndham.com/hotels/GLSTH/main.wnt)), or (2) calling 1-877-999-3223. The room rates are US\$135 (plus local taxes) for either a single room (one queen bed) or a double room (two queen beds). **SDA urges all participants to make their reservations as early as possible.**

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## CALL FOR PAPERS ANNOUNCED FOR 2010 APPLIED DEMOGRAPHY CONFERENCE

Applied demographers will have yet another opportunity to visit Texas in the coming months. On the heels of its success in 2007, the 2010 Applied Demography Conference—the most important major conference explicitly devoted to the field—will be held January 10-12 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown San Antonio. Two research groups at the University of Texas at San Antonio—the Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Research and the Department of Demography and Organization Studies—will sponsor the event.

Conference organizers are inviting people to submit papers (or abstracts), discussion topics, and posters for the conference. A list of sessions is provided below. Interested persons should send their submission directly to the session organizer. If it appears that a submission fits more than one session, they should send it **only** to their preferred session. (Organizers will be passing submissions among themselves as the sessions take shape, and there will be overflow sessions if needed.) Persons should feel free to e-mail a session organizer if they have any questions regarding a potential submission.

**The deadline for receiving submissions is October 2, 2009.** Applicants will be notified no later than October 26 if their submission is accepted.

### List of Paper/Discussion Sessions and Organizers

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 1* – Topic: “Educating the Applied Demographer” (Organizer: Don Warren, University of Texas at San Antonio, [Don.Warren@utsa.edu](mailto:Don.Warren@utsa.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 2* – Topic: “Meeting the Population Information Needs of State and Local Governments” (Organizer: Karl Eschbach, University of Texas at San Antonio, [Karl.Eschbach@utsa.edu](mailto:Karl.Eschbach@utsa.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 3* – Topic: “Meeting the Population Information Needs of the General Public” (Organizer: Linda Jacobsen, Population Reference Bureau, [ljacobsen@prb.org](mailto:ljacobsen@prb.org)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 4* – Topic: “Applied Demography and Environmental Issues” (Organizer: Lloyd Potter, University of Texas at San Antonio, [Lloyd.Potter@utsa.edu](mailto:Lloyd.Potter@utsa.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 5* – Topic: “International Business and Applied Demography” (Organizer: Tom Exter, MAPINFO Corporation, [Tom.Exter@mapinfo.com](mailto:Tom.Exter@mapinfo.com)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 6* – Topic: “The 2010 Census” (Organizer: Linda Gage, California Department of Finance, [Linda.Gage@dof.ca.gov](mailto:Linda.Gage@dof.ca.gov)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 7* – Topic: “Applied Demography and Public Health Issues” (Organizer: Ben Bradshaw, University of Texas at San Antonio, [benjamin.s.bradshaw@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:benjamin.s.bradshaw@uth.tmc.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 8* – Topic: “Issues in the Demography of K-12 School Districts” (Organizer: Jerry McKibben, McKibben Demographics, [j.mckibben@mckibbendemographics.com](mailto:j.mckibben@mckibbendemographics.com)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 9* – Topic: “Administrative Records and Population Information” (Organizer: Dean Judson, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, [Dean.Judson@dhs.gov](mailto:Dean.Judson@dhs.gov)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 10* – Topic: “The American Community Survey: Challenges and Opportunities” (Organizers: Joe Salvo and Peter Lobo, New York City Department of Planning, [jsalvo@planning.nyc.gov](mailto:jsalvo@planning.nyc.gov) or [plobo@planning.nyc.gov](mailto:plobo@planning.nyc.gov)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 11* – Topic: “Microsimulation” (Organizer: Laurent Martel, Statistics Canada, [Laurent.Martel@statcan.gc.ca](mailto:Laurent.Martel@statcan.gc.ca)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 12* – Topic: “General Topics in Population Estimation” (Organizer: Mohammed Shahidullah, Illinois Department of Health, [Mohammed.Shahidullah@Illinois.gov](mailto:Mohammed.Shahidullah@Illinois.gov)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 13* – Topic: “New Directions in Urban Systems Models” (Organizer: Dmitry Messen, Houston-Galveston Area Council of Government Regions, [dmessen@h-gac.com](mailto:dmessen@h-gac.com)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 14* – Topic: “Applied Demography and Rural Areas” (Organizer: Ron Cossman, Mississippi State University, [ronald.cossman@ssrc.msstate.edu](mailto:ronald.cossman@ssrc.msstate.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 15* – Topic: “Expert Witness Work and the Applied Demographer” (Organizer: David A. Swanson, University of California-Riverside, [david.swanson@ucr.edu](mailto:david.swanson@ucr.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 16* – Topic: “General Topics in Population Projections” (Organizer: Stan Smith, University of Florida, [stans@bebr.ufl.edu](mailto:stans@bebr.ufl.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 17* – Topic: “General Topics in Applied Demography and Organizational Studies” (Organizer: Mary Zey, University of Texas at San Antonio, [mary.zey@utsa.edu](mailto:mary.zey@utsa.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 18* – Topic: “General Topics in Race/Ethnicity” (Organizer: Deborah Perez, U.S. Census Bureau, [deborah.perez@census.gov](mailto:deborah.perez@census.gov)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 19* – Topic: “Estimating Undocumented Migrants” (Organizer: Dely Alcantra, University of New Mexico, [dalcant@unm.edu](mailto:dalcant@unm.edu)).

*Panel Discussion Session Number 20* – Topic: “How Do We Ensure the Public Collection of Demographic Data?” (Organizer: Steve Murdock, Rice University, [shm3@rice.edu](mailto:shm3@rice.edu)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 21* – Topic: “Health and Health Disparities” (Organizer: Mary McGehee, Arkansas Department of Health, [mary.mcgehee@arkansas.gov](mailto:mary.mcgehee@arkansas.gov)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 22* – Topic: “General Topics in Internal and International Migration” (Organizer: Karen Woodrow-Lafield, [KarenWLafield@cs.com](mailto:KarenWLafield@cs.com)).

*Paper/Discussion Session Number 23* – Topic: “Applied Family and Household Demography” (Organizer: Kimberly Faust, Winthrop University, [faustk@winthrop.edu](mailto:faustk@winthrop.edu)).

*Poster Session(s)* – ALL AREAS (Organizer: Nazrul Hoque, University of Texas at San Antonio, [nazrul.hoque@utsa.edu](mailto:nazrul.hoque@utsa.edu)).

Persons with general questions or comments about the call for papers should contact either of the program co-organizers: David Swanson ([david.swanson@ucr.edu](mailto:david.swanson@ucr.edu)) or Nazrul Hoque ([nazrul.hoque@utsa.edu](mailto:nazrul.hoque@utsa.edu)).

*EDITOR'S NOTE:* More detailed information—including the planned itinerary, plus conference and hotel registration—is available through the official 2010 Applied Demography Conference website at <http://idser.utsa.edu/adc>.

## *Applied Demography – Call for Submissions*

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**CENSUS BUREAU NEWS****New Census Bureau Director Takes Office, President Seeks More than \$7 Billion for Bureau in FY10**

Taken from *Census News Briefs* and other news reports

On July 22, Dr. Robert M. Groves officially became the 23rd director of the U.S. Census Bureau at a swearing-in ceremony at the agency's headquarters in Suitland, Md. President Obama nominated Dr. Groves, previously director of the University of Michigan's Survey Research Center, to head the agency in April; the U.S. Senate confirmed the nominee July 13. Seven former Census Bureau directors attended the ceremony.

The new director received his bachelor's degree in sociology from Dartmouth College and his master's (statistics and sociology) and doctorate (sociology) from the University of Michigan. He had headed Michigan's Survey Research Center—part of the university's Institute for Social Research—since 2001, and was also a research professor at the University of Maryland. Previously, he headed the Joint Program in Survey Methodology (University of Maryland/University of Michigan/Westat) from 1996 to 2001, and has been a visiting statistician and researcher at the U.S. Census Bureau.

In 2008, the National Association for Business Economics (NABE) awarded Dr. Groves its Julius Shiskin Memorial Award for Economic Statistics, in recognition of “innovative statistical research” that has improved the quality of household and business surveys in the areas of sample design, data collection methods, effects of nonresponse, and other factors that affect data quality. NABE gives the award annually in recognition of “unusually original and important contributions in the development of economic statistics or in the use of statistics in interpreting the economy.”

Dr. Groves is the author or co-author of numerous books, monographs, journal articles, and book chapters—all with an emphasis on survey methodology and design. He has received numerous awards and honors for his research and scientific developments and is a fellow of the American Statistical Association. Dr. Groves has provided his expertise in survey design to a wide range of government agencies (in the United States and abroad); universities and research organizations; and polling firms. He also has served on numerous advisory boards and National Research Council (National Academy of Sciences) panels (at the time of his appointment, he chaired a panel reviewing Bureau of Justice Statistics programs).

The appointment and confirmation of Dr. Groves elicited broad support from most of the key census stakeholders, who also expressed relief that the agency finally had a director only months before census operations begin in Alaska's remote areas next January.

Sen. Thomas Carper (D-Del.), who as chairman of the subcommittee that oversees the Census Bureau helped shepherd Dr. Groves' nomination through the confirmation process, said the agency “will have the kind of leadership it needs” and that, “under [Dr. Groves'] leadership we can address the serious challenges that could jeopardize the success and cost-effectiveness of the 2010 Census.” The chairman of the House census oversight panel, Rep. William “Lacy” Clay (D-Mo.), said the President had “chosen a remarkably talented leader” and that he would work closely with the new director “to reduce the undercount of minorities and to increase the national mail-back response rate” in 2010. Stakeholder organizations outside Congress echoed this support. Wade Henderson, president of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, said Dr. Groves' scientific credentials “will be essential to making sure that the census is as accurate and inclusive as possible.” Mr. Henderson noted that even a small undercount could deprive local communities of federal funding for public services such as hospitals, roads, schools, and disaster preparedness.

In a statement made shortly after his confirmation, Dr. Groves said, “Extensive planning has put the 2010 Census on track to be the most accurate and technologically advanced in our nation's history.” He added that his efforts would include “mak[ing] sure the public understands the vital importance of filling out and mailing back the census questionnaires in a timely fashion.” Dr. Groves noted that the Census Bureau's many surveys require “constant innovation” to ensure the “efficiently produced, high quality statistics this country needs.”

At the swearing-in ceremony, Commerce Secretary Gary Locke, who administered the oath of office to Dr. Groves, said, “We're depending on Bob bringing his expertise and commitment to sound science to the biggest civilian project this nation undertakes.”

**President Requests More Than \$7 Billion for Bureau in FY10**

On May 7, President Obama sent Congress his detailed budget request for Fiscal Year 2010 (FY10), which begins October 1, 2009. The budget seeks \$7.375 billion for the U.S. Census Bureau, more than twice the Fiscal Year 2009 (FY09) appropriation of \$3.14 billion.

The projected “life cycle” cost of the 2010 Census is between \$13.7 billion and \$14.5 billion—not counting an additional \$1 billion allocated in the economic stimulus package enacted in February. Historically, about half of the total census cost occurs during the actual census year. Congress has asked the Census Bureau for an updated cost estimate.

The administration’s proposed FY10 budget includes \$6.97 billion for the 2010 Census—a figure that is more than double the FY09 allocation of \$2.7 billion. The proposed allocation would allow the bureau to do the following activities:

- Open and staff remaining Local Census Offices (which would raise the total to almost 500);
- Recruit 3.8 million and hire 1.4 million temporary employees to conduct the census;
- Finalize data capture, data processing, and telecommunications systems;
- Print more than 140 million census questionnaires and other materials (such as an “advance letter” announcing the impending arrival of the census form);
- Launch a national advertising campaign;
- Hire additional national and regional staff to oversee field operations;
- Collect census information from every residential housing unit and group quarters in the country, using the mail, telephone, and door-to-door visits;
- Conduct an accuracy-check survey (Census Coverage Measurement).

Some of the funds for the decennial census will allow the Census Bureau to continue nationwide implementation of the American Community Survey (ACS). The coming year will be very important to this replacement for the traditional census long form, as it moves closer to providing the first demographic, social, economic, and housing data for areas as small as census tracts and block groups in 2010—results based on five years worth of data collection (2005-2009). The budget also proposes reinstating the Community Address Updating System (CAUS), which the bureau developed early in the ACS implementation cycle to help maintain an updated address list throughout the decade in rural and remote areas, where housing units may not have traditional city-style addresses. According to bureau estimates, about \$200.5 million would specifically cover ACS activities in FY10.

Once funds carried over from 2009 (including much of the stimulus money) are added to the President’s request, the Census Bureau expects to spend roughly \$7.8 billion on the decennial census in FY10. Some decennial census activities—including final tabulation of population and housing unit totals—will occur in Fiscal Year 2011 (FY11), which starts October 1, 2010.

The President’s FY10 budget also seeks about \$215 million to implement other activities that are part of the bureau’s periodic programs. During FY10, the Census Bureau will publish data (collected in FY08 and processed in FY09) for the 2007 Economic Census, which covers such industrial sectors as manufacturing, trade (retail and wholesale), and construction. Also in FY10, planning will begin for the 2012 Economic Census, as well as for another quinquennial survey, the 2012 Census of Governments. Other activities in this realm include producing annual intercensal population estimates; updating demographic survey sample designs; and implementing bureau-wide geographic and data processing systems and support.

As for ongoing surveys designed to collect demographic, social, and economic data (such as the monthly Current Population Survey, the Survey of Income and Program Participation, and Quarterly Financial Surveys), the Administration’s FY10 budget proposes \$259 million—an increase of \$25.4 million over the FY09 funding level. The funding request for these programs, which fall under the “Salaries and Expenses” division, includes \$30 million in mandatory spending for surveys on income and health insurance that is required by federal law. Also in the President’s request is a new initiative to expand the Local Employment Dynamics Program, which develops information about local labor market conditions.

The President also requested \$105 million (\$14 million more than the FY09 funding level) for the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA)—the other statistical agency under the Commerce Department’s Economic and Statistics Administration. The BEA produces key economic statistics—including the Gross Domestic Product—that support

U.S. monetary, fiscal, and trade policies, as well as business planning and personal savings and investment decisions. The Administration wishes to introduce four initiatives designed “to significantly improve BEA’s measurement of the U.S. economy.” These would cover the service sector, new and expanded components of GDP, county-level personal income, and direct foreign investment.

On the legislative front, the House of Representatives has approved its version of the FY10 Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations bill, which spared the Census Bureau from significant cuts that some legislators had proposed. However, the House Appropriations Committee decreased the President’s requested amount for the 2010 Census by \$205 million due to a misunderstanding over funds that are being carried over for the paid media campaign. (Those funds would need to be restored by a House-Senate conference committee.) On the Senate side, the full chamber has yet to consider its version of the spending bill, increasing the likelihood that Congress will need to pass a Continuing Funding Resolution in September. Such a move would keep federal agencies operating when the new fiscal year begins on October 1.

*EDITOR’S NOTE: Detailed information about developments affecting the Census Bureau is available from Census News Briefs, which are prepared by Terri Ann Lowenthal, a consultant to the nonpartisan Census Project, an initiative sponsored by the Communications Consortium Media Center in Washington, D.C. News Briefs are posted on the Project’s website ([www.thecensusproject.org](http://www.thecensusproject.org)), and users may direct questions to Ms. Lowenthal at [TerriAnn2K@aol.com](mailto:TerriAnn2K@aol.com).*

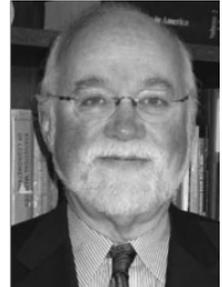
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## WILLIAM P. BUTZ NAMED AS A 2009 AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION FELLOW

The American Statistical Association (ASA) has named William P. Butz, president and chief executive officer of the Population Reference Bureau (PRB), as one of 57 ASA Fellows for 2009. In a June 4 press release, ASA president Sally Morton noted that the recipients “enhance our profession and we are proud and pleased to recognize them as Fellows.”

Mr. Butz in particular was recognized “for the application of innovative statistical techniques and the development of new survey instruments to study fertility and aspects of family life, and for outstanding leadership of statistical activities at the U.S. Census Bureau, the National Science Foundation, and the Population Reference Bureau that has had a lasting effect on statistical practice and contributed globally to governments and society.”



Given annually, the designation of ASA Fellow is one of the top honors bestowed by the organization. Nominated by fellow ASA members, individuals considered for the honor must have an established professional reputation and have made outstanding contributions in some aspect of statistical work. The number of recipients each year is limited to no more than one-third of 1 percent (that is, approximately 0.33%) of the full ASA membership. The 2009 Fellows come from 19 states and the District of Columbia, as well as from Canada, England, Denmark, New Zealand, India, and China.

PRB’s president since October 2003, Mr. Butz had previously served as senior economist at the RAND Corporation; associate director of the U.S. Census Bureau (where he was in charge of household surveys, international activities, and population estimates and projections); and division director for social and behavioral sciences at the National Science Foundation. His undergraduate and graduate education were at Indiana University and the University of Chicago, respectively, where he studied economics, statistics, and demography. Mr. Butz has taught economic development at UCLA and the University of California at Santa Barbara; served on numerous commissions and boards; and written more than 80 research and policy papers on a variety of topics related to economic demography, nutrition and health, and statistical and science policy. Since 2001, he has served on the Board of Reviewing Editors of *Science* magazine, where his responsibilities include the social sciences, the Policy Forum, and the Education Forum. He also is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Mr. Butz and the other ASA Fellows received their certificates in an August 4 ceremony at the annual Joint Statistical Meetings in Washington, D.C.

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## A FOND REMEMBRANCE OF DETROIT... PAA 2009 HIGHLIGHTS

### MOTOWN PUTS OUT THE WELCOME MAT

For the final PAA meeting of the decade!



### AT THE PAA MIXER

Held the night before the formal PAA sessions, PAA's Annual Mixer provides a time for getting together with old friends...and possibly meeting some new ones!



(L-R): Tom Exter (MAPINFO Corporation), Mary Kent (Population Reference Bureau), and Martha Farnsworth Riche (Cornell University).



(L-R): William Kandel (Economic Research Service, USDA) and Stephanie Bohon (University of Tennessee, Knoxville).



Activity at the Census Bureau display.

### THE EXHIBIT AREA

As always, the exhibit area buzzed with activity...both during setup and during the meetings.



Kelvin Pollard (Population Reference Bureau) stands in front of the PRB display.

### APPLIED DEMOGRAPHY RECEPTION

PAA's Committee on Applied Demography held a reception on Thursday evening, April 30. As has been the case in recent years, everyone had a good time. The committee extends thanks once again to the Annie E.

Casey Foundation and the Population Reference Bureau for co-sponsoring the event.



Reception participants took some time to mingle and discuss opportunities in applied demography. In the bottom photo, Stan Smith (University of Florida) converses with interested students.



Bill O'Hare (Annie E. Casey Foundation) and Bill Butz (Population Reference Bureau) welcome the participants. Jeanne Gobalet (Lapkoff & Gobalet Demographic Research), head of CAD's School Demography Interest Group, also addresses the attendees.



## APPLIED DEMOGRAPHY BREAKFAST

On Friday morning, May 1, Census Bureau acting director Tom Mesenbourg gave the keynote address, in which he discussed the 2010 Census with the applied demography community. After the breakfast, he and PAA President Kathleen Mullan Harris signed an agreement officially making PAA a partner for the upcoming headcount—now less than a year away!



After the breakfast, Dr. Harris and Mr. Mesenbourg each sign the partnership agreement.



PAA President Kathleen Mullan Harris (left) addresses the breakfast participants before Mr. Mesenbourg gives his keynote.



And the handshake makes it official... PAA is a 2010 Census Partner!

## EXPLORING DOWNTOWN

While the current economic recession has hit Detroit particularly hard, there still were plenty of things to do downtown—including taking in a Tigers baseball game!



A riverfront view of Detroit's Renaissance Center.



The "People Mover," an elevated train looping through downtown Detroit.



Two Detroit landmarks: the Spirit of Detroit statue and the Joe Louis monument (aka "The Fist").



In how many cities can one look across the river and see another country? The skyline of Windsor, Ont., Canada.



Hart Plaza—site of many of Detroit's most popular downtown events.



Old Mariner's Church, immortalized in Gordon Lightfoot's classic 1976 hit, "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald." (The song reached number 2 on the *Billboard* singles charts that fall.)



The exterior (left) and interior (center and right) of Comerica Park, where John Haaga (National Institute on Aging) and Kelvin Pollard (Population Reference Bureau) were among those who saw the Detroit Tigers defeat the Cleveland Indians 9-7 on May 2. (John McHenry of Demographic Data for Decision-Making, Inc., also attended the game.)

## THAT'S ALL, FOLKS!

Until next year in Dallas.



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