

## **The SEA and the American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies**

From David S. Shields, President, Society of Early Americanists (SEA), 1999.

Dear colleagues:

With the annual eighteenth-century studies conference, ASECS, coming up in Philadelphia, mid-April 2000, the following details should be especially helpful for members of the SEA and for our colleagues whose interests touch on matters early American.

Last year the Society of Early Americanists became ASECS's early-Americanist affiliate when we merged with the smaller organization that had been a part of ASECS since 1990, the Society for Eighteenth-Century American Studies. Last fall the SEA appointed a three-member "committee of correspondence" to smooth this transition and to maintain a strong, healthy liaison with the larger community of scholars working in the long--and wide--eighteenth century:

Dennis Moore, Florida State, chair  
Julia Stern, Northwestern  
Thomas Krise, U.S. Air Force Academy

(Prior to this merger, all three were officers of SECAS, and many of that group's members were also SEA members anyway.)

NB: The SECAS archive will be going into the SEA Archive

It is a pleasure to pass along the following announcements from this liaison committee. I do look forward to seeing you in Philadelphia, particularly at the social event that our society is co-sponsoring with the McNeil Center for Early American Studies. On that note,

Cheers,

David Shields