

Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities to offer a four-week Summer Institute for Secondary School Teachers on "Abraham Lincoln and Leadership in a Comparative and Historical Perspective."

David W. Rohde, University Distinguished Professor, Michigan State University.

Thomas C. Schelling, Lucius N. Littauer Professor of Political Economy, emeritus, Harvard University, and Distinguished Professor of Economics and Public Affairs, University of Maryland, College Park, received the National Academy of Sciences Award for Behavioral Research Relevant to the Prevention of Nuclear War, a prize of \$5,000 for basic research in any field of cognitive or behavioral science that has employed rigorous formal and empirical methods to advance our understanding of problems or issues relating to the risk of nuclear war.

In Memoriam

Peter J. Fliess

Peter J. Fliess, 77, of Amherst, Massachusetts, died January 4, 1993 at home, after an illness bravely endured.

Born in Stargard, Germany, May 8, 1915, he was the son of the late Dr. Julius and Stephanie M. (Gottheil) Fliess. He came to the United States in 1938, where he was initially employed in banking and export-import in New York City. He served in the U.S. Army, 1943-46, performed military intelligence service in Germany, and was discharged as Captain.

Professor Fliess was educated at the Gymnasium Stargard, Columbia University, Stanford University, and Harvard University, from which he earned the Ph.D. in 1951. His honors included Phi Beta Kappa and Ford Foundation and Fulbright Fellowships. He taught at Louisiana State University, 1948-67, and at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, where he was professor of political science from 1967-82, and then professor emeritus. He was a visiting professor at the University of Puerto Rico, University of Frank-

furt, Mt. Holyoke College, and the University of Freiburg, and Maurice Falk lecturer at Carnegie Institute of Technology.

Professor Fliess' publications included *Freedom of the Press in the German Republic, 1918-1933*; *Thucydides and the Politics of Bipolarity*; *International Relations in the Bipolar World*, and many articles, chapters, and reviews. From 1975-80 he was editor-in-chief of *Polity*, the journal of the Northeastern Political Science Association.

After retirement in 1982, he systematically pursued the study of Biblical Hebrew and Arabic, a manifestation of that pure love of learning which colleagues and students always discerned in him.

Peter Fliess leaves his beloved wife of 51 years, Helen; a daughter, Linda Baina; a sister and a grandson. He leaves, too, a good name—the respect and affection of those of us privileged to have known him.

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Byran O. Jackson

Byran Oliver Jackson, professor of political science at California State University, Los Angeles, died on November 15, 1992 of complications related to AIDS. He was 38 years old. He had been a faculty member at Cal State LA since 1986.

Byran Jackson graduated from East Texas State University in 1975 with honors, writing his senior thesis on an area that he returned to often in his professional career, "Black Political Participation in the City of Dallas, 1960-1975." He received both the M.A. in political science and the Master of Public Policy from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in 1978 and completed his Ph.D. at the same institution in 1982. His first academic job was at Washington University in St. Louis from 1982 to 1986, from which he came to Cal State LA. Byran had considerable government experience in the housing and community development policy area. From 1979 until 1981 he was a social science research analyst at HUD. In 1976, he had worked at the

CETA office in Ann Arbor as a program evaluator; in 1975; he had been an equal opportunity specialist in the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Region VI, Dallas.

Byran delivered papers to a wide variety of conferences, ranging from the APSA to the rational choice workshop at UC Irvine, the International Research Conference on Housing Policy in Glasgow, Scotland, the Association for Public Policy and Management, and the Conference on Comparative Ethnicity at UCLA. His 1988 American Political Science Association paper, entitled "Race and Politics in the Advanced-Industrial City: A Critical Assessment of Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley's Job Performance" (co-authored with Mel Oliver) met with considerable critical acclaim and was the subject of an article in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* in September, 1988, just after the conference.

Byran had chaired the Committee on the Status of Black Americans for the Western Political Science Association and was a member of the Executive Council of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists between 1988 and 1990. He was a member of the editorial board of *Urban Affairs Quarterly* and had been a section chair for the Western Political Science Association on at least two occasions. He was part of the selection board for the California State Assembly Fellowship program between 1989 and 1991.

He was awarded a Rockefeller Foundation Research Fellowship for Minority Group Scholars in 1987, as well as both a Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship and an NSF Research Initiation Grant in 1988. The 1988 grants enabled him to spend the 1988-89 academic year as a visiting scholar in the Institute for Governmental Studies at the University of California, Berkeley.

Byran was recently the guest editor of an issue of the *National Political Science Review* on "The Politics of De-racialization." His most recent accomplishment was a book edited with Michael Preston of the University of Southern California entitled *Racial and Ethnic Politics in California* (Berkeley: Institute for Gov-