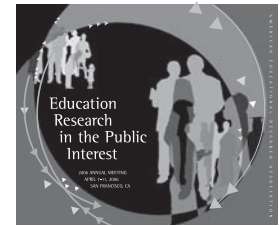


2006 AERA Annual Meeting

April 7–11, San Francisco, California



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Note Dates! Please note that the dates of the meeting in San Francisco are April 7–11, a *Friday-through-Tuesday* pattern, the weekend before Easter Sunday.

The Meeting

Education Research in the Public Interest

Investigación Educativa al Servicio del Interés Público

Current social and political pressures on education research suggest that research must meet the demands of evidence-based and scientifically based inquiry. As in other arenas of inquiry, a great deal of attention is being paid in education research to what we do, how we do it, and what we know. Serious reflection can add to the quality of our work. However, this year’s Annual Meeting theme calls for education researchers to meet an even higher professional standard—the standard of producing research in the public interest.

What is the public interest? Legislators and policymakers often debate this question because nations often work across the tensions evoked by notions of the public versus the private. In *Teaching Democracy: Unity and Diversity in Public Life*, Walter Parker (2003) argues that in societies working toward democracy, the role of education is to help make citizens who are deeply engaged in the service of the public good, not merely in their own self interest. If education is charged with helping citizens participate in the public arena, what then is the role of education research?

The Association for Science in the Public Interest states: “Public interest research aims at developing knowledge and technologies that increase the commonwealth. Such research requires complex problem solving, and will involve the economic, social, and environmental dimensions of people and natural resources (www.publicscience.org/id4.htm, retrieved on December 6, 2005). Education research has the potential to address some of the more pressing educational and social problems of our time—achievement challenges, assessment concerns, and the influence of poverty on

education, to name a few. The theories, knowledge, methods, skills, and technologies that education researchers bring to bear on complex educational problems can provide us with powerful and innovative solutions and perspectives.

We are living in an era in which there is an increasing retreat from all things public—public health, public housing, public transportation, and even public schooling—in favor of privatization. Education researchers are positioned to help reinvigorate the discourse and the investment in the public good by offering research and scholarship that look directly at education and the public.

The current educational reform movement has produced sweeping changes in how we do the work of preparing students, teachers, and administrators. We have more assessment techniques, increased standards, and more accountability. What role can and do education researchers play in challenging the reform efforts to live up to the standard of working in the public interest? How does and can education research serve the public good? At this year’s Annual Meeting, we encourage education researchers to look carefully at the ways their work can do just that.

Overview and History of San Francisco

Cosmopolitan flair, spectacular scenery, and cultural diversity make San Francisco one of the top destinations in the world. Perennial favorites include Fisherman’s Wharf, Chinatown, and the cable cars, the Golden Gate Bridge, Golden Gate Park, and the Mission District. The city’s shopping hub, Union Square, anchors a Who’s Who of world-famous stores. The city is acclaimed as home of the world’s best restaurants. And visitors quickly discover the charm of the “neighborhoods.”

The city is built on 43 hills and surrounded on three sides by the Pacific Ocean and San Francisco Bay; its compact 47 square miles (125 sq. km.) crowd the tip of the San Francisco Peninsula. Its population of 788,200 makes it the second most densely populated American city, after New York. The metropolitan area is the nation’s fifth largest, with 6.8 million residents and 14 million visitors, conventioners, and business travelers each year.

San Francisco is blessed with a temperate marine climate and enjoys mild weather year-round. Temperatures seldom rise above 70°F (21°C). Morning and evening fogs roll in during the summer months but rarely persist. Visitors are most comfortable with a light jacket or coat handy for cool evening wear. Lightweight summer clothes are seldom practical in San Francisco. During the month of April, the maximum average temperature is 61.1°F and the minimum is 49.2°F. The average daily rainfall is 1.48 inches.

Culture. San Francisco is rich with museums, particularly small ones, scattered about in its colorful neighborhoods.

Located within walking distance of The Moscone Center, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (SFMOMA) is one of the city's major museums. The combination of its stunning building, designed by Swiss architect Mario Botta, and its extensive collection of 20th-century art make this a must-see.

Other major art museums include the MH de Young Memorial Museum and the Asian Art Museum. The collection at the de Young offers a little of just about everything. In its permanent collection are an extensive American Art collection (enhanced by a donation from John D. Rockefeller III); 17th- and 18th-century Italian works; decorative arts; and traditional arts of the Americas, Oceania, and Africa. The new Asian Art Museum of San Francisco is one of the largest museums in the Western world devoted exclusively to Asian art. Its holdings include nearly 15,000 treasures spanning six thousand years of history, representing cultures throughout Asia.

For those with an interest in science, there is the California Academy of Sciences in Golden Gate Park and the Exploratorium in the Palace of Fine Arts in the city's Marina District. The Academy of Sciences comprises many science museums under one roof, including the Steinhart Aquarium and the Morrison Planetarium. Its natural history exhibits run the gamut from dinosaurs to gemstones. The Exploratorium is a hands-on science museum where visitors learn by performing experiments in fields such as chemistry, physics, and genetics. Even the youngest children will be fascinated by the Exploratorium.

History. In 1775, Juan Manuel de Ayala became the first European to enter the Golden Gate. He was followed in 1776 by Captain Juan Bautista de Anza, who built a presidio (fort) above the Golden Gate and the Mission Dolores in the heart of today's Mission district. A tiny village known as Yerba Buena sprang up between the two and became the birthplace of modern San Francisco. Yerba Buena was renamed San Francisco in 1847, just before a momentous discovery was made in the Sierra Nevada mountains to the east: there was gold in them thar hills. The news was soon out, and prospectors began to flood in; more than 100,000 hardy '49ers (named after the year of their voyage) endured the long overland trek or the dangerous sea voyage to San Francisco, and the city's population exploded from 500 to 25,000 within a year. In 1850, California became the 31st state in the union, and by 1854 the booming Gold Rush town already had more than 500 saloons and 20 theaters to entertain the hard-spending miners. From then on, San Francisco was a freewheeling, hell-raising city—so much so that during the latter half of the 1800s, it became known as the Barbary Coast for its resemblance to the debauched, pirate-plagued coast of North Africa.

In 1869, the first westbound train arrived in San Francisco, and by 1870, San Francisco was the tenth-largest city in the United States. A large Chinese population of laborers recruited in the 1840s and 1850s had settled there. Irish immigrants occupied into the Mission area, and French, Italian, German, Russian, Australian, Jewish and many other nationalities contributed to the city's international flair.

The 1906 earthquake and fire devastated the city. But with characteristic spirit, San Francisco rebuilt itself—into a grander

city than ever before. It was no surprise when the city conceived and executed the impossible—the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge, one of the world's longest suspension bridges—over cold, shark-infested waters. Its bridge towers are still the highest ever made.

Civic mindedness and a tolerant spirit continue to characterize the people of the city. In the mid-1950s, national attention focused on the city as the birthplace of a literary and cultural scene of its own. When Jack Kerouac and Allen Ginsberg, upstart students at Columbia University, and Gregory Corso, 17 years old and fresh out of jail, fled the indifference of New York City and joined forces with a San Francisco poets' movement begun by poet and literary critic Kenneth Rexroth, the Beat Generation acquired a voice.

Hippies followed in the 1960s, and Haight-Ashbury bloomed as the new hot spot. Local bands such as the Grateful Dead and Jefferson Airplane set the tune for the movement, and when 20,000 people congregated in Golden Gate Park for a free concert in 1967, the "Summer of Love" was born. While hippies in the Haight dropped acid and wore flowers in their hair, Berkeley revolutionaries were leading worldwide student upheavals, slugging it out with the cops and the university administration over civil rights. Neighboring Oakland was the scene for yet more revolutionary activities, most famously those of the Black Panthers, led by Eldridge Cleaver, Huey Newton, and Bobby Seale.

In the 1970s, San Francisco's gay community stepped decisively out of the closet. The 1977 election of gay activist Harvey Milk to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors brought recognition of the gay rights movement to a new peak, but the euphoria was short lived. The following year, Dan White, an avowedly anti-gay former police officer and supervisor, assassinated Milk and Mayor George Moscone. This tragedy and the emergence of the first cases of AIDS were the beginning of the end of the gay heyday. The rainbow banners and lavender triangles are as common today as they were 20 years ago, but the extravagance of the 1970s subsided, now resurfacing mainly at the Castro and Folsom Street Fairs and the annual Gay and Lesbian Freedom Day parade.

In the 1990s the Bay Area experienced another period of renewal with a building boom that spruced up neighborhoods and historic buildings across the region, making it an increasingly expensive place to live. The New Media boom, launched in Silicon Valley, lured savvy tech entrepreneurs to the "Citee by the Bay." But the dot-com boom was destined to go bust, and shortly after the turn of the millennium the industry indeed took a swan dive—though not before billions of dollars had changed hands.

The new millennium brings new challenges both for San Francisco and for society in general. We are living in an era in which there is an increasing retreat from all things public—public health, public housing, public transportation, and even public schooling—in favor of privatization. We meet in San Francisco at a time when we, as education researchers, need to be in a position to help reinvigorate the society that we live in for the public good by offering research and scholarship that directly look at education and the public.

Registration

It is the policy of AERA that all persons—including participants—who plan to attend one or more sessions at the AERA Annual Meeting are required to register. Registration is not transferable. Be sure to

register online! Visit <http://www.aera.net> and, under "Annual Meeting," click on "Registration."

All registrants will receive name badges. The badges should be worn at all times, not only as a courtesy to other registrants but also as an indication that registration has been completed before participation in any scheduled event. Badges must be worn to gain admission to the Exhibit Hall and the Placement Service. In addition, badge wearing will be monitored at selected sessions.

Advance Registration. Advance registration provides several major advantages:

- A discount on registration fees
- Assured housing at special guaranteed rates
- No delay or inconvenience on site (all you'll need to do is pick up the Program Supplement and a badge holder)

Deadline for Advance Registration. Advance registration closes on **March 3, 2006**.

On-Site Registration. On-site registration will take place at The Moscone Center West. Registration hours are:

Thursday, April 6: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 7: 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday–Monday, April 8–10: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 11: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Nonmembers. You may register in advance or on site. Nonmembers may register at member rates if a membership application and dues payment accompany the advance registration. An application form appears in this issue of ER. Registration fees do not include membership in AERA. An application for membership and payment must be sent with the advance registration form to join and register as a member.

Guest Registration. Guest registration is designed for the spouse or family of the registrant. Guests may visit the exhibits and attend the session in which the registrant is a participant. Guest registration is not applicable for professionals (including students) in the field who will be attending sessions or presenting papers. Guest registration must be included as part of the registration of another individual. Only *one* guest is allowed per registrant.

Badges. Badges will be mailed only to pre-registrants who register by the **March 3, 2006**, advance registration deadline. Pre-registrants can expect to receive the badges by **March 10, 2006**. If you have received confirmation of your registration but have not received your badge, a new badge can be printed for you at the registration desk on site. **Please bring your badge to the meeting.** There will be a \$5 replacement fee for lost badges.

Payment. Make checks for registration and housing payable to AERA Housing Bureau in U.S. dollars, drawn on a U.S. bank. Purchase orders are accepted for registration fees ONLY. *Attendees may charge their registration fees to American Express, MasterCard, or VISA.*

Refunds. Registration fees will be refunded, less a \$25 service charge, if a written request is received at the AERA Housing/Registration Bureau by **March 3, 2006**. Refunds cannot be made after **March 3, 2006**. Also, please note that registration is not transferable.

The National Council on Measurement in Education (NCME)

NCME is a professional organization that will hold its Annual Meeting on April 8–10, 2006, in conjunction with that of AERA. It is possible to register for both Meetings by completing *only* the registration block marked JOINT. For additional information on the NCME meeting, please visit NCME's website: <http://www.ncme.org>.

Housing and Hotel Rates

Special convention rates have been negotiated with hotels in the area of the meeting site. Because rooms are available on a *first-come, first-served* basis, attendees are urged to register and to submit housing request as early as possible.

Hotel rates for the AERA Annual Meeting are listed in U.S. dollars on page 46. All rates are per room night and are subject to applicable taxes. The special AERA rates can be guaranteed only if your request is accompanied by the Advance Registration Form and payment of the registration fee and received no later than **March 3, 2006**. *During the advance registration period, the hotels will not accept reservations directly.*

Confirmations. The AERA Housing Bureau must receive a deposit of \$175 (U.S. dollars) per room before processing the hotel reservation. One-bedroom suites require a \$300 (U.S. dollars) deposit, and a deposit of \$450 (U.S. dollars) is required for two-bedroom suites. If paying for Housing/Registration by check, please include **separate checks** for housing and registration (*see instructions on registration form, p. 48*).

The AERA Housing Bureau will send confirmation of meeting registration and hotel reservations to registrants within 5 to 7 days after receipt. Please review all information for accuracy. Persons sharing accommodations should submit registration forms and payment together. The AERA Housing Bureau will send a confirmation to all persons who requested the room. If you do not receive your acknowledgment within this time frame, please contact the AERA Housing Bureau, toll free, at 1-800-262-9974, or direct at 1-404-842-0000. You will not receive a confirmation from the hotel.

Changes or Cancellations in Hotel Reservations. Reservation changes can be made online or by telephone, e-mail, or fax. Cancellations *must* be made in writing. You may go online or send the information to the AERA Housing Bureau by fax (1-404-842-0954) or e-mail (monika@connectionshousing.com). All changes and cancellations must be made by **March 3, 2006**. To make changes or cancellations after that date, you must contact your hotel directly. If you cancel a hotel reservation within 72 hours of arrival, you will forfeit all deposits.

Hotels

(Numbers refer to location on map provided on page 47.)

1. Chancellor Hotel on Union Square, 433 Powell Street. The Chancellor Hotel on Union Square is a charming 137-room hotel located in the heart of San Francisco. Since 1914, the Chancellor has seen many improvements, but it is still a classic boutique hotel serving guests who want to be surrounded by world-class shopping, restaurants, and theater at a good value.

2. The Clift, 495 Geary Street. An inspired fusion of old-world hotel elegance with distinctly contemporary energy and glamour,

the newly redesigned Clift, in the heart of San Francisco's Union Square, takes modern luxury to a new level. From the Surrealistic magic of its soaring lobby to the digital art exhibitions in its legendary Redwood Room, the nearly century-old Clift's daring new sense of diversity perfectly captures the city's spirit. Designed by Philippe Starck, the Clift is a wonderland for the jet-set traveler.

3. Executive Hotel Vintage Court, 650 Bush Street. "A little piece of wine country two blocks above Union Square," the Executive Hotel Vintage Court is in the heart of downtown San Francisco on Nob Hill, two blocks from the Financial District, Union Square, Chinatown, and the Theater District. This charming San Francisco boutique hotel—beloved by leisure and business travelers alike—is convenient to shopping, restaurants, and The Moscone Center.

4. Galleria Park Hotel, 191 Sutter Street. The Galleria Park Hotel—a small, deluxe boutique hotel—offers a rare and unexpected haven in the heart of downtown San Francisco just a few blocks from the fabulous shopping of Union Square, Chinatown, the historic cable cars, the Financial District, and The Moscone Center. An intimate hotel with an Art Nouveau flare and a unique rooftop park, the Galleria Park provides a calming and serene environment for its guests.

5. Handlery Union Square Hotel, 351 Geary Street. Located in the heart of San Francisco, the Handlery Union Square Hotel provides the ambience of a European boutique hotel with the high level of comfort and convenience that one expects from San Francisco lodging. And with so many things to do in San Francisco, it is a place you will want to return to often—at prices that make it easy!

6. Harbor Court Hotel, 165 Steuart Street. The Harbor Court Hotel, San Francisco's premier waterfront boutique hotel, combines the energy of the Financial District with the style of South of Market, right on the edge of the San Francisco Bay.

7. Hotel Adagio, 550 Geary Street. The new Hotel Adagio features a fresh design that relates its original Spanish Colonial Revival architecture with a clean and contemporary design aesthetic. Located in the heart of San Francisco's theater, dining and shopping districts, the Adagio is the perfect destination for exploration. Uniquely San Franciscan and clearly Californian, the new Hotel Adagio offers a pace and atmosphere that are luxurious and aromatic.

8. Hotel Bijou, 111 Mason Street. Inspired by San Francisco's rich cinematic history, the Hotel Bijou is adorned with movie palace styling, dramatic Hollywood portraits, and a mini-movie theater in the lobby. Each light and comfortable guestroom is named for a motion picture shot in San Francisco, with original movie stills as decorative room accents. A double feature of San Francisco-based films is screened each evening in the Petit Theatre Bijou.

9. Hotel Diva, 440 Geary Street. Experience the ultimate in modern design at this avant-garde boutique hotel. The Hotel Diva is striking with its stainless steel appeal—the first that dared to be different! It is in the center of all that San Francisco has to offer, with its central location in Union Square.

10. Hotel Griffon, 155 Steuart Street. The intimate Hotel Griffon is strategically located in the Financial District, next to San

Francisco's gorgeous bay and close to the Embarcadero Center and the Bay Bridge. Convenient to the city's finest restaurants, shopping, nightlife, and recreation, the Hotel Griffon has unparalleled views of Treasure Island and the bay.

11. Hotel Milano, 55 Fifth Street. In a neo-classical building completely renovated in 1994, the Hotel Milano is centrally located in the thriving downtown area. It is adjacent to the San Francisco Shopping Centre's designer specialty shops and Nordstrom, just three blocks from The Moscone Center and Union Square, and one block from the Cable Car Turnaround.

12. Hotel Monaco, 501 Geary Street. Offering some of the finest accommodations of any hotel in San Francisco, the Hotel Monaco features 201 exquisitely decorated guestrooms, including 24 luxury suites. The enticing décor appears the moment you step through the door and see the front desk reminiscent of a steamer trunk, delight in the lobby with its giant fireplace and whimsical frescoed ceiling, take in the elegant painting of the Celestial Lady welcoming guests over the grand staircase, and step into the sophisticated Living Room where morning coffee is served and a wine reception is held each evening.

13. Hotel Nikko San Francisco, 222 Mason Street. Every room is deluxe, designed to make your stay memorable, with all the amenities you could want, including high-speed Internet access, a stereo, a CD player, two-line speaker phones with data ports and voicemail, a bathroom phone, individually controlled electronic thermostats, a fax machine, a coffee/tea maker, in-room movies, and an iron and ironing board. Most of the lavishly appointed marble bathrooms include both a bathtub and stall shower.

14. Hotel Palomar, 12 Fourth Street. The Hotel Palomar is an artful urban retreat at the intersection of Fourth and Market Streets, in the heart of downtown San Francisco. Hidden five floors above the hustle and bustle but just steps from Union Square, it is like a great painting waiting to be discovered by the discerning traveler. Three of the city's most dynamic districts meet at this location: the thriving South of Market (SOMA) district, the Financial District, and Union Square, famous for its great shopping. This boutique hotel is also just a short walk from The Moscone Center and great art museums, such as the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art.

15. Hotel Rex, 562 Sutter Street. The Hotel Rex, near Union Square, was inspired by the San Francisco art and literary salons of the 1920s and '30s. Vibrant and alive, the clubby lobby surrounds guests with distinctive period furnishings, walls of antiquarian books, and an exceptional collection of exotic objects and original portraits and murals. Literary events are held regularly in the lobby bar, and the hotel's new café is an enchanting blend of a Northern Californian and authentic French style. Guestrooms are decorated in Provençal colors and feature the work of local artisans, as well as an impressive menu of modern amenities. The Hotel Rex has recently reopened after completing a spectacular million-dollar renovation. It was designed by noted San Francisco interior designers Candra Scott & Anderson.

16. Hotel Triton, 342 Grant Avenue. A whimsical, unique, and "happening" escape, cleverly disguised as a hotel! The Hotel Triton is everything you would never expect, a spectacular experi-

ence that allows you to “see” the art or “be” the art. It is proud to be recognized as one of the top ecological and environmentally friendly and proactive hotels in San Francisco. The hotel is cleaned with “green” cleaning products and offers eco-friendly rooms and eco-celebrity suites. Situated across from the famous Chinatown Dragon Gate, it is conveniently located only two blocks from Union Square, a short walk to Little Italy, or a smooth stroll to legendary Nob Hill.

17. King George Hotel, 334 Mason Street. The King George Hotel, on Union Square, shares sidewalks with fine dining, world-class shopping and theater, The Moscone Center, convention hotels, and San Francisco’s world-famous cable car line to Fisherman’s Wharf. A tradition of charm and personal service has been a hallmark since the hotel first opened in 1912. Amenities are distinctly up-to-date, including complimentary in-room high-speed Internet access.

18. Marines’ Memorial Club and Hotel, 609 Sutter Street. The Marines’ Memorial Club and Hotel provides the full range of amenities to create a unique experience for guests. The hotel prides itself on friendliness and a spirit of welcome. Colonial-accented furnishings, marble baths, cherry wood armoires, and modern conveniences await you here.

19. Maxwell Hotel, 386 Geary Street. Built in 1908, the Maxwell is a stylish restored masterpiece with a Deco flair, located in the heart of Union Square. The newly redesigned lobby and handsome guestrooms reflect the original décor, a timeless blend of theatrical and Art Deco influences. Unique services and amenities have been designed with the city’s celebrated shopping in mind. Max’s on the Square Restaurant features New York deli-style cuisine.

20. Monticello Inn, 127 Ellis Street. Serenity is only steps away from fashionable Union Square, at the Monticello Inn, a San Francisco boutique hotel with the classic charm of an elegant colonial inn. The Monticello is located just a few blocks from the Theater District, The Moscone Center, downtown San Francisco, and the fabled Powell Street cable car line to Fisherman’s Wharf. Housed in a landmark 1906 building, it offers guests the gracious atmosphere and style of Thomas Jefferson’s colonial Virginia home.

21. Pan Pacific San Francisco, 500 Post Street. The Pan Pacific San Francisco is located in Union Square, within walking distance of most of San Francisco’s premier destinations. This AAA, four-diamond, 338-room hotel is a jewel among luxury hotels in California. Built in 1987 and renovated in 2004, it is an oasis of architectural and artistic treasures. Guests enjoy easy walking access to Chinatown, The Moscone Center, the Financial District, Embarcadero Center, Nob Hill, and downtown San Francisco.

22. Prescott Hotel, 545 Post Street. This four-star hotel is centrally located, on Post Street at Mason in the heart of Union Square. It is convenient to shopping, an easy walk to The Moscone Convention Center, and just one block from the Powell Street cable car line to Fisherman’s Wharf. *Travel & Leisure Magazine* has named the Prescott Hotel one of its Best Value Hotels.

23. Renaissance Parc 55 Hotel, 55 Cyril Magnin Street. A luxurious hotel just two blocks from Union Square in downtown

San Francisco. Warmly appointed for business and leisure, the hotel affords unparalleled access to “everyone’s favorite city.” From sightseeing to dining, from Alcatraz to the Zuni Café, this unique location provides effortless convenience to it all. Within walking distance of The Moscone Center, Union Square, and the Financial District.

24. San Francisco Downtown Courtyard by Marriott, 299 Second Street. This hotel is located in the heart of the popular SOMA district, with its thriving business, nightlife, and cultural scene. It is just minutes away from The Moscone Center, Moscone West, SBC Park (home of the San Francisco Giants), Union Square, the Metreon Entertainment Complex, Yerba Buena Gardens, and the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art.

25. San Francisco Marriott, 55 Fourth Street. A great downtown location, comfortable guestrooms, and the award-winning service that Marriott is known for. Easily accessible from Highway 101, the hotel is just a 20-minute drive from the San Francisco International Airport, a short stroll from the Financial District, across the street from The Moscone Center, and minutes from Union Square.

26. Serrano Hotel, 405 Taylor Street. Housed in a beautifully restored Spanish revival building, the 17-story Serrano Hotel offers a sense of fun and escape from the ordinary while symbolizing everything San Francisco. Located at Taylor and O’Farrell Streets, this downtown hotel provides an excellent starting point for all the city’s goings-on—just three blocks from Union Square and the Theater District, five blocks from The Moscone Center, and a 10-minute cab ride to the Financial District.

27. Sir Francis Drake Hotel, 450 Powell Street. The Sir Francis Drake Hotel in downtown San Francisco has been in fashion since 1928. A city legend, it offers a mixture of timeless elegance, high style, and historic accommodations in the heart of Union Square. It is just steps from The Moscone Center, the Financial District, Nob Hill, Chinatown, SOMA, and the Theater District. The Beefeater doorman, exquisite service, and offbeat style all create a unique hotel presence.

28. The Cartwright Hotel on Union Square, 524 Sutter Street. Newly renovated, this Union Square hotel offers the quintessential San Francisco experience. It has a new look while preserving the hotel’s classic Edwardian architecture. Step into the lobby and experience it for yourself.

29. The Mosser Hotel, 54 Fourth Street. Conveniently located between Union Square and The Moscone Center, this hotel offers excellent shopping, touring, and night life within blocks. It is a Smoke Free Zone, with a No Smoking policy in all guestrooms. Recently renovated, the Mosser is now the only San Francisco hotel to feature a state-of-the-art recording studio.

30. The Pickwick Hotel, 85 Fifth Street. The Pickwick Hotel is ideal for those traveling on leisure, business, or to attend conferences. It is located one block from the famed Cable Car Turnaround, the nine-story San Francisco Shopping Centre (with Nordstrom), and Sony Metreon; two blocks from The Moscone Center; and only three blocks from Union Square. The Pickwick blends the best of Old World hotel elegance with modern facilities.

31. The Powell Hotel, 28 Cyril Magnin Street. You don't need a car if you stay at the Powell Hotel. Steps from the famous cable car to Fisherman's Wharf, steps from the MUNI and BART systems to anywhere in San Francisco—or, by BART, to the East Bay, SFO International Airport, and Oakland Airport. Less than 15 minutes' walking distance, flat—that does mean something here—to The Moscone Center, Chinatown, Union Square, the Theater District, world-class shopping, unique entertainment. (Imagine dropping off a purchase from Nordstrom back at your hotel room in less than 5 minutes! That's convenience.) A smile will greet you on your arrival and you'll leave with one on your face.

32. Villa Florence Hotel, 225 Powell Street. The Villa Florence Hotel, a Kimpton Hotel, evokes San Francisco's Italian heritage through its luxury hotel décor, family-style hospitality, and Italian spirit. Located on the Powell Street cable car line, just steps from downtown San Francisco and The Moscone Center, its spacious guestrooms and first-class service will inspire you to return.

33. Westin St. Francis Hotel, 335 Powell Street. This enduring legend continues to welcome travelers from around the world just as it did nearly a century ago. Located in the heart of the city, facing Union Square, it has maintained its preeminence as San Francisco's center of social, theatrical, and business life since first opening in 1904. As one of the last survivors of colorful, turn-of-the-century San Francisco, the Westin St. Francis is as modern as tomorrow "with a proud past"—a collecting place of history and legend.

General Information

Airfare. AERA has arranged exclusive discount airfares for 2006 AERA Annual Meeting registrants with United Airlines. Inquiries regarding travel arrangements should be directed to United through its special convention desk lines. If you normally use the services of a travel agent, have the agent place your reservations through the toll-free number to obtain the same advantages for you. United may be contacted at 1-800-521-4041. **Please reference the AERA file number 530SP.**

Annual Meeting Headquarters. The majority of sessions will be conducted at The Moscone Center, in the North, South, and West Buildings. The AERA 2006 Annual Meeting Exhibits (April 8–10) will also be held at The Moscone Center, West Building.

Placement Service. A Placement Service, with interview facilities, will be conducted during the Annual Meeting. Registration request forms are available at <http://www.aera.net>.

Program and Supplement. The 2006 AERA Annual Meeting Program, containing a complete list of Annual Meeting events, will be mailed to registered attendees by the beginning of March. Registrants whose advance registrations are received after **February 15, 2006 (or after January 9, for non-U.S. addresses)** will not be mailed a program before the meeting but may pick up a copy on site in the registration area located at The Moscone Center, West Building. There will be a charge of \$15 for additional or replacement copies of the program. An online downloadable program will be available for individuals not registered for the meeting.

The Program Supplement, containing important late changes, additions, and corrections, will be distributed on site at the registration area located at The Moscone Center, West Building. The Program Supplement also contains an AERA Dining Guide for San Francisco.

Information for Persons With Disabilities. AERA encourages persons with disabilities to attend the Annual Meeting. Most hotels are accessible. To reserve a hotel room better suited to meet the needs of persons with disabilities, please indicate your needs in the appropriate space on the Housing Request Form. Individuals with disabilities should check the appropriate box on the registration form and attach a note outlining specific needs to make the meeting more accessible. This includes participants who may need interpreting assistance or any other special assistance. A physician's note should accompany your request.

Child Care Center. Services will be provided by KiddieCorp for children of all ages, from infants to adolescents, at The Moscone Center. Experienced staff will include an on-site supervisor. The organization is licensed, bonded, and insured. Nutritious snacks and beverages, along with age-appropriate toys, games, movies, and cartoons, will be provided. Ratios of staff to children are 1 to 2 for infants, 1 to 3 for toddlers, and 1 to 5 for school-age children.

The Child Care Center will be open from 11:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. on the first day of the Annual Meeting, and from 8:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. on subsequent days, except for the last day (Tuesday, April 11), when it will close at 3:45 p.m. To ensure that the center is properly staffed and to facilitate planning games and other activities for the children, advance registration is required. On-site registration may be possible on a space-available basis and at a slightly higher cost. Those interested in receiving further information and the registration form should mark the appropriate space on the Advance Registration Form. You can also contact KiddieCorp directly by calling 1-858-455-1718. Rates are included on the materials that you will receive. The deadline for child care registration is **March 3, 2006**. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged.

Tours. Once again, AERA is pleased to offer all meeting attendees a wonderful selection of tours. Interested individuals are requested to check the AERA website (<http://www.aera.net>) for a full list, descriptions, and pricing. Make the most of your meeting attendance and expand your learning experience by taking one of the tours!

Register Online! Visit <http://www.aera.net> and, under "Annual Meeting," click on "Registration." Online registration is strongly encouraged.

Register Early! Despite a large block of rooms available in San Francisco, this destination is so popular that early registration is recommended so that attendees can make reservations at the hotels of their choice.

Note Dates! Please note that the dates of the 2006 Annual Meeting in San Francisco are April 7–11, a *Friday-through-Tuesday pattern*.

Hotel Map Key and Rates

Map Key	Hotel Name	Single (1 person)	Double (2 people)	Triple (3 people)	Quad (4 people)
1	Chancellor Hotel on Union Square	\$132	\$132	\$152	N/A
2	The Clift	\$199	\$199	N/A	N/A
3	Executive Hotel Vintage Court*	\$139	\$139	N/A	N/A
4	Galleria Park Hotel	\$169	\$169	\$189	\$209
5	Handlery Union Square Hotel	\$169	\$169	\$189	\$209
6	Harbor Court Hotel**	\$180	\$180	\$200	\$220
7	Hotel Adagio	\$179	\$179	\$199	\$229
8	Hotel Bijou	\$109	\$109	\$119	\$129
9	Hotel Diva***	\$139	\$139	N/A	N/A
10	Hotel Griffon	\$189	\$189	N/A	N/A
11	Hotel Milano	\$149	\$149	\$169	\$189
12	Hotel Monaco	\$195	\$195	\$215	N/A
13	Hotel Nikko San Francisco	\$199	\$199	\$229	N/A
14	Hotel Palomar	\$199	\$219	\$239	N/A
15	Hotel Rex	\$169	\$169	\$189	\$209
16	Hotel Triton	\$159	\$159	\$179	\$199
17	King George Hotel	\$115	\$115	\$125	\$135
18	Marines' Memorial Club and Hotel	\$165	\$165	\$175	\$185
19	Maxwell Hotel	\$129	\$129	\$139	\$149
20	Monticello Inn	\$149	\$149	\$169	\$189
21	Pan Pacific San Francisco	\$199	\$219	\$239	\$259
22	Prescott Hotel	\$169	\$169	\$189	\$209
23	Renaissance Parc 55 Hotel	\$189	\$189	\$209	\$229
24	San Francisco Downtown Courtyard by Marriott	\$184	\$204	\$224	\$244
25	San Francisco Marriott	\$199	\$199	\$219	\$239
26	Serrano Hotel	\$149	\$149	\$169	\$189
27	Sir Francis Drake Hotel	\$169	\$169	\$189	\$209
28	The Cartwright Hotel on Union Square****	\$139	\$139	N/A	N/A
29	The Mosser Hotel*****	\$140	\$140	N/A	N/A
30	The Pickwick Hotel	\$143	\$143	\$163	\$183
31	The Powell Hotel	\$105	\$105	\$115	\$125
32	Villa Florence Hotel	\$159	\$159	\$179	\$199
33	Westin St. Francis Hotel	\$189	\$205	\$225	\$245

Note. Prices do not include an occupancy tax of 14% and a 10-cent commerce fee per room night.

*The Executive Hotel Vintage Court is offering only King Bedded Rooms. Not able to accommodate handicapped requests.

**The Harbor Court Hotel is offering only King and Queen Bedded Rooms.

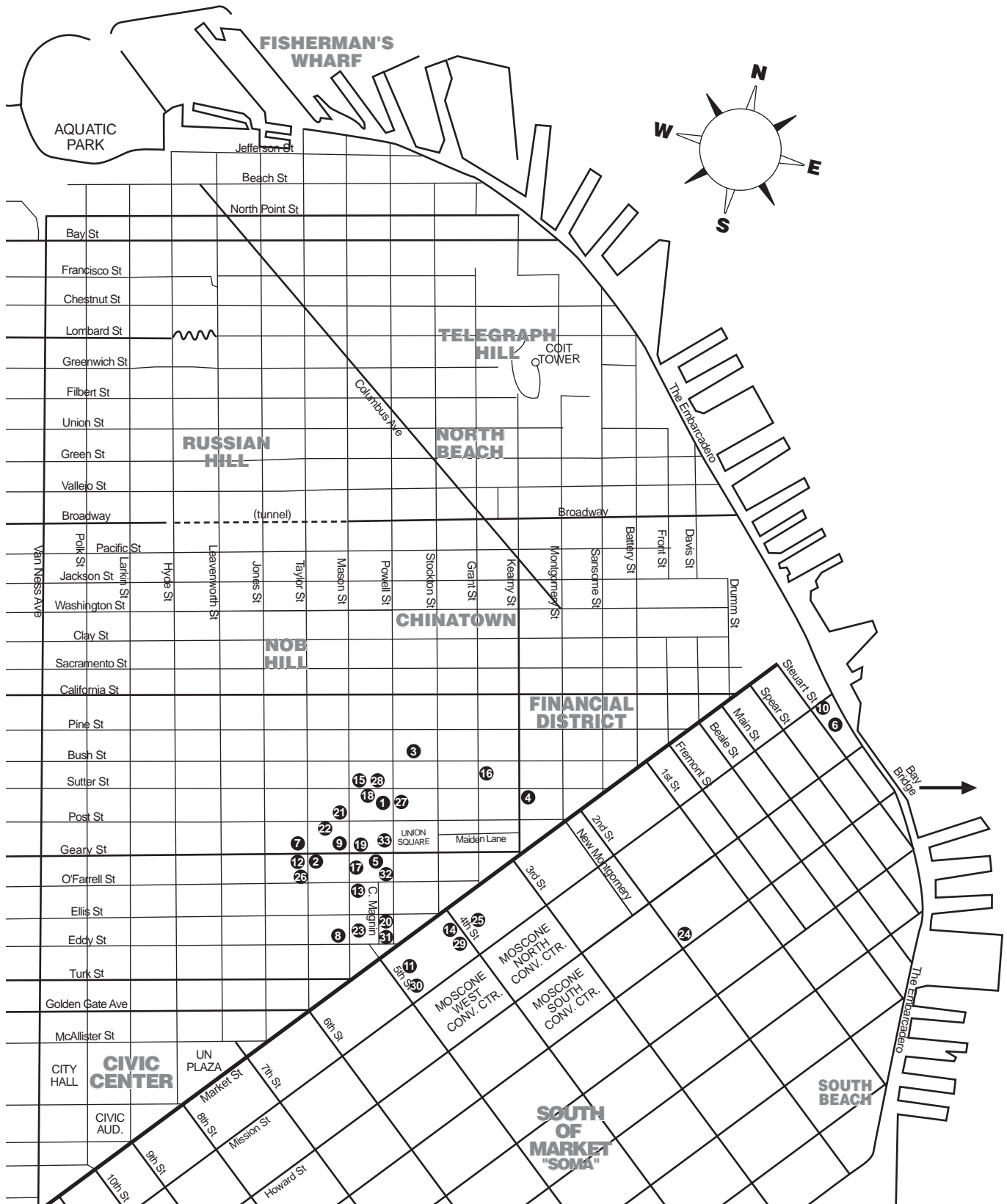
***The Hotel Diva is offering only Single or Double Occupancy Rooms.

****The Cartwright Hotel does not have Double/Double Bedding. Not able to accommodate handicapped requests.

*****The Mosser Hotel is offering only Single or Double Occupancy Rooms. Not able to accommodate handicapped requests.

DOWNTOWN SAN FRANCISCO

See hotel map key and rates, opposite.



AERA (and NCME) ANNUAL MEETING - San Francisco, CA, April 7-11, 2006

ADVANCE REGISTRATION FORM (may be photocopied)

Deadline: March 3, 2006

BADGE INFORMATION (Print legibly or type; use separate form for each registrant.)	NAME _____ First _____ Last _____ AFFILIATION/ INSTITUTION _____
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MAILING ADDRESS FOR BADGE AND HOTEL CONFIRMATION

Check if this is a permanent change of address

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Country _____ Email: _____

Telephone (____) _____ Facsimile (____) _____ (Please include Country Code and City Code)

Please notify me regarding child care services.

Check if disabled, please attach note outlining specific needs and physician's note

AERA REGISTRATION	A _____ \$125 AERA Member B _____ \$ 50 AERA Student Member C _____ \$175 Non-Member	D _____ \$80 Non-Member Student E _____ \$30 Guest (Name _____) DH _____ \$ 5 Division H Breakfast
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JOINT REGISTRATION - Use this box to register for both the AERA and the NCME Meetings

F _____ \$235 Member AERA & NCME	J _____ \$ 85 Student Member of AERA & NCME
G _____ \$295 Member AERA, not NCME	K _____ \$100 Student Member of AERA, not NCME
H _____ \$285 Member NCME, not AERA	L _____ \$115 Student Member of NCME, not AERA
I _____ \$345 Non-Member	M _____ \$130 Non-Member Student
BTS _____ \$25 NCME Breakfast	FT _____ \$20 NCME Fitness Run

If you would like to make a donation to the *AERA Donation Fund for Gulf States Hurricane Relief*, please check one of the following boxes:

\$10 \$25 \$50

HOUSING INFORMATION: Arrival and Departure Dates (Must be completed): Arrival 4//06 Departure 4//06

Specific Hotel and Rate in order of preference:

Room Preferences

<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Rate</u>	_____	_____
1 st _____	_____	_____	_____
2 nd _____	_____	_____	_____
3 rd _____	_____	_____	_____

If sharing room, each person should complete a separate registration form and the group should complete one housing form. Send all forms at the same time. Below, list the name(s) and address of person(s) sharing the hotel room with you:

Registration fees must be sent with your housing form to AERA Housing and Registration. A \$175.00 USD hotel deposit must be sent with your housing form. If paying for Housing/Registration by check, please include separate checks for Housing and Registration. **For Housing:** Make check payments to Connections Housing. **For Registration:** Make check payments to AERA. Checks must be in USD, drawn on a U.S. bank. Registration and Housing will not be processed without required payment(s). There is a \$10.00 service fee for all international mailings. Wire transfers not accepted.

Please bill my credit card for **Housing/Registration** to: American Express MasterCard VISA

Name: _____ Card #: _____ Expires: _____

Signature: _____

When sending separate checks for Housing and Registration, please send them in one envelope. If checks arrive separately, they will be returned. Form and payments **must** be sent together. **Do not staple.** Mail completed form and check(s) to:

AERA Registration, c/o Expo Logic, 820 Parkway, Broomall, PA 19008. If paying by credit card, fax to **610-328-1548.**