

Econo Lodge Dahlonega, 619 North Grove St., Dahlonega, GA 30533, (706) 864-6191
15% Conference Rate (Release Date 3/11), www.econolodge.com

Holiday Inn Express Dahlonega Hotel, 835 South Chestatee St., Dahlonega, GA 30533, (877) 863-4780,
5% conference rate (includes full hot breakfast)

Park Place Hotel, 27 South Park Street, Dahlonega Ga, 30533, 706-864-0021, 5% conference rate, along with complimentary Starbucks coffee and a bottle of wine in rooms, www.parkplacedahlonega.com

Super 8 Dahlonega, 20 Mountain Drive Southwest, Dahlonega, GA 30533, (706) 864-4343, www.super8.com;
\$50 + tax, weekdays, \$65 + tax weekends

Super 8 Motel, 205 N Center Ln, Dawsonville, GA 30534, (706) 216-6801, \$52 + tax

Smith House, 84 S Chestatee St., Dahlonega, GA 30533, (706) 867-7000, 10% conference rate

CALL FOR 2010 AWARD NOMINATIONS

CARL A. ROSS STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

The Carl A. Ross Appalachian Student Paper Competition is open to students in two categories: middle/high school and undergraduate/graduate students. The authors of the winning papers will receive \$100 each. Costs of attending the conference are the winners' responsibility. All papers must adhere to guidelines for scholarly research. To submit a paper for consideration for the 2010 competition, e-mail a Microsoft Word copy of the paper by December 8, 2009, to Joette Morris Gates at: kywoman102950@gmail.com. Middle/high school papers should be 12 - 15 pages in length; undergraduate/graduate papers should be 20 - 30 pages in length. Students submitting papers must be enrolled in courses at the time of the conference. To verify their student status, students can submit one of the following to the mailing address below by December 15, 2009: a copy of a schedule of classes or transcripts indicating enrollment for the spring 2010 term; a letter from a faculty advisor verifying the student's status for spring 2010, which should include the faculty member's email address, phone number, and mailing address. Students who wish to present their papers at the conference must also submit a *Proposal for Participation* following the submission guidelines. Questions should be addressed to Joette Morris Gates, kywoman102950@gmail.com.

CRATIS D. WILLIAMS/JAMES S. BROWN SERVICE AWARD

The Cratis D. Williams/James S. Brown Service Award is given to an individual who has made exemplary contributions to Appalachia and/or the ASA. There is a two-step nomination process: nominations should include a statement regarding the individual's specific contributions to the region or the individual's c.v./résumé. Following a review the committee will request additional information about one or more finalists before selecting the award recipient. Send nomination materials to Emily Satterwhite, Assistant Professor, 344 Lane Hall, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24601-0227 or by e-mail to satterwhite@vt.edu before January 16, 2010.

HELEN M. LEWIS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

The Helen M. Lewis Community Service Award is given to an individual or an organization that has made exemplary contributions to Appalachia through involvement with and service to its people and communities. Nominations should include a statement regarding the individual or organization's specific contributions to the region or its people, accompanied by at least two letters of support. Send nomination materials to Patricia Beaver, Director, Center for Appalachian Studies, Appalachian State University, University Hall, Boone, NC 28608 or to beaverpd@appstate.edu before February 1, 2010.

JACK SPADARO DOCUMENTARY AWARD

The award's name honors the activist and whistleblower, Jack Spadaro, who has spent his entire professional career working within the coal mining industry for the betterment of the Appalachian community. One award is given