MAPPS Lawsuit Rejected by U.S. District Court

The U.S. District Court in Alexandria, Virginia, last month ruled against groups representing special interests seeking to strictly limit federal government contracts for mapping and GIS activities to only themselves. In the matter of MAPPS, et al., v. United States of America, Judge T.S. Ellis III issued a summary judgment on June 14, in favor of the government, based on the MAPPS plaintiffs’ failure to “establish that an injury in fact was suffered by the individual surveyors or their firms.”

The “Management Association for Private Photogrammetric Surveyors” (MAPPS), et al., filed the lawsuit seeking to limit competition for federal mapping contracts of nearly every type, including GIS services, only to firms of licensed architects, engineers and surveyors.

Several geography and GIS organizations, including AAG, Gisci, GITA, UCGIS, and URISA joined together to support the government and oppose the MAPPS litigation through educational outreach and the development of an Amicus Brief to the Court on the case. The AAG played a leading role in developing the amicus brief, working closely together with the other amici and our law firm, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP. The Association has also established an online Mapping and GIS Community Defense Fund (www.aag.org).

AAG Establishes Journal Exchange Program

The AAG Journals Online Exchange service connects people who want to donate journals and other publications with libraries and individuals who are in need of materials for their collections.

Recently, users of this AAG system made valuable connections between the retiring geographer community in the U.S. and international geography departments to benefit scholars and students with limited resources for research and learning.

Thanks to a generous gift from Joseph Sonnenfeld, Texas A&M Professor Emeritus of Geography, the students and faculty of the Center for Research and Advanced Studies (Centro de Investigación y Estudios Avanzados, or CINVESTAV) in Mérida, México now enjoy access to 50 years of the Annals of the Association of American Geographers. The journals found their way to the CINVESTAV library through the combined efforts of Professor Sonnenfeld, his son David Sonnenfeld (Department of Community & Rural Sociology, Washington State University), Betty Faust and Federico Dickinson Bannack (Department of Geography, Texas A&M).

Call for Papers: 2008 Annual Meeting—see page 16.
Educating Congress on Geography Education

In 2001, as George W. Bush was settling into the White House, he made the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) an early focus of his Administration. The result was No Child Left Behind (NCLB), a reauthorization of the ESEA signed into law in early 2002. The No Child legislation focused on school performance and accountability in an effort to boost lagging schools and troubled school districts. While NCLB was passed on a bipartisan basis and supported by a wide range of traditional liberals as well as conservatives, the law has faced severe criticism in the intervening years from a mix of groups and for a variety of reasons.

The primary and most widespread attacks on NCLB have centered on the failure of the Federal Government to adequately fund the law and on misguided curriculum and testing requirements. In addition, there have been concerns that the near exclusive emphasis on math and reading test scores has diverted teaching away from the social sciences and interdisciplinary education, including geography.

We in the geography community have also long been concerned with NCLB because geography is the only “core academic subject” identified within the law that does not receive a specific funding allocation or implementing programs to further teaching of the subject on the K-12 level (see Richardson, “Federal Funding for Geography Education,” AAG Newsletter, June 2003, page 2). The AAG and our colleagues in GENIP (the Geography Education National Implementation Project) have been working to encourage Congress to change this over the last several years, but the reauthorization of No Child set for this year is our clearest and best opportunity to date.

Call to Action: How You Can Help

Earlier this year, the AAG helped coordinate the development of a letter from the GENIP organizations to key Congressional Education Committee Chairmen Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-MA) and Rep. George Miller (D-CA) urging them “to give strong support to the teaching of geography in any proposal for the reauthorization of No Child Left Behind.” As the Committees continue their hearings on NCLB, they are continuing to craft their reauthorization bills behind the scenes. While there is no guarantee that the process will conclude this year, we want to take advantage of this opportunity to make our case for the importance of geography in elementary and secondary school teaching and the need for associated funding.

To this end, we encourage you to begin now to educate your Senators and Congressmen about the importance of including geography funding in the proposals for NCLB reauthorization. The following points from our recent GENIP letter may help you as you craft a message to your representatives:

• Funding geography in NCLB is critical: Geography is the only core-curriculum subject identified in the ESEA without associated funding. This must change if students are to make the necessary strides in geographic understanding.

• Implementing programs for geography are also needed: Geography also lacks any specified implementing programs in NCLB. These programs should help implement more widespread teaching of geography in elementary and secondary schools.

• Geography is essential to a well-rounded K-12 education: Geographic understanding is important to every American – it is critical to the informed exercise of each citizen’s civic responsibility. Geography helps us understand the connections between peoples and places – and with the natural environment. Geography education is key to achieving international understanding and economic development, and also provides essential

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The Interdisciplinary Opportunity

Over the years I’ve learned that two questions will invariably lead to lively discussion when one geographer asks them of another. The first is personal: “When did you first realize that you were a geographer?” That’s a topic I’ll gladly pursue with any AAG member on an individual basis in another setting.

The second question goes more to our professional core: “When you’re asked by someone you’ve just met, ‘What is geography?’, what answer do you give?” In more than three decades as a geographer, I’ve often had to provide such a definition. My briefest response is to say that while other fields are defined by what they study, geographers can study anything. It’s the questions that we ask that define us, with our initial question being some variant of Where? I’ve always loved the aphorism, “If you can map it, it’s geography,” because maps highlight the geographic dimension of whatever is portrayed. But finding answers to Where? questions is only the first phase of the discovery process, because we invariably follow with Why? and How? questions that yield deeper analysis and interpretation.

While Where? inquiries may be what distinguishes geography, the Why? and How? questions we follow with usually lead us into the topical domains of other fields. Pursuing answers to those questions often is best done in collaboration with scholars from those fields. Therein lies a great opportunity for geographers, especially as society and a broader range of users (as well as funders) call for deeper understandings of the complex ways that different aspects of our world interact with each other.

A speaker whose name I don’t remember now uttered a very memorable line at a meeting at the National Science Foundation about 15 years ago: “Nature doesn’t know or respect disciplinary boundaries.” As a discipline that has never been topically bounded, geographers are in an excellent position to become involved and play key leadership roles in interdisciplinary research and educational efforts that increase knowledge and benefit society.

Many geographers have answered the call. The results of some recent interdisciplinary competitions at NSF highlight this fact. The 2007 Dynamics of Coupled Natural and Human Systems (CNH) competition are expected to result in twelve awards. Geographers are the lead investigators in three of these projects, and they are major participants in three other projects. At least five of the projects likely to be funded through this year’s Human and Social Dynamics (HSD) competition have geographers in top leadership posts, and four of the supplements being made to broaden the involvement of social scientists in Long-Term Ecological Research (LTER) sites will help support geographers. Geographers continue in top positions of more established interdisciplinary activities, such as the Decision Center for a Desert City at Arizona State University, a center focusing on decision making under uncertainty related to climate change. They also have been critical players in interdisciplinary education efforts, such as projects supported through the Integrated Graduate Education and Research Training (IGERT) competitions that NSF conducts.

The success of these and other geographers as central participants in successful interdisciplinary projects should provide inspiration for others. Alas, the process of developing strong collaborative relationships with colleagues in other fields take more than zapping an e-mail message that asks, “Do you want to work with me?” At investigators meetings for HSD and other such competitions, researchers repeatedly talk about the challenges of building cross-directorate ties. Many cite the differences in jargon, paradigms, perspectives, and research techniques that must be confronted and brought into synch before the team can effectively work as a coherent unit. Others cite the realization that the cultures within which people from different fields operate may be markedly different. One observer commented that you stop allowing suspicion to be your initial reaction when a colleague does or says something that seems different to you. For some, the greatest challenge is simply finding colleagues from other fields who are interested in the same topics and issues as you are.

When I was nominated for the position of Vice President of the AAG more than 18 months ago, I stated that if elected, I would work to try to build interdisciplinary linkages between geographers and scholars in other disciplines. Over the coming year, I will devote a number of these columns to exploring topics and issues where geographers and researchers in complementary fields have worked effectively together for the benefit of both geography and the other fields.

I invite AAG members who have been involved in successful collaborations or who know of others whose work provides good models to share their insights with me.

I have asked others to participate in this effort. Prior to our most recent annual meeting, I asked specialty group leaders to use that meeting as a forum to discuss with group members ways that they could help build stronger ties between geography and related disciplines. I encouraged them to think about organizing special sessions that would bring leading scholars from other fields to our meetings and enable geographers to interact with members of other scholarly societies at their meetings. I encouraged them to think about organizing workshops that would bring geographers together with scholars from other fields to explore topics of mutual interest, and I encouraged the submission of papers to journals serving geography, related disciplines, and broader multidisciplinary communities that explore geography’s relationships with other disciplines and the complementary linkages we share with those fields.

Geography is an interdisciplinary discipline in its own right, but our capabilities can only be enhanced if we look to integrate ourselves more closely with the broadest possible range of fields with whom we share common interests.

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The AAG presented the George and Viola Hoffman, the Glenda Laws, and the Meredith F. Burrill awards at the recently completed AAG Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

This year, two George and Viola Hoffman Awards were announced. The first went to Margareta Lelea, a doctoral student at the University of California-Davis, for her dissertation *On the Margins of the European Union: A Feminist Geography of Changing Livelihood Strategies in Romania’s Western Borderlands*. A second award was presented to Georgeta Connor, a PhD student at the University of Georgia, whose dissertation will investigate *The Rural Dimension of Romania’s Integration into the European Union: The Impact of the EU Enlargement on Romanian Agriculture and Rural Areas*.

The George and Viola Hoffman Fund supports student research toward a master’s thesis or doctoral dissertation on a geographical subject in Eastern Europe. Topics may be historical or contemporary, systematic or regional, limited to a small area or comparative.

The Glenda Laws Award is administered by the AAG and endorsed by members of the Institute of Australian Geographers, the Canadian Association of Geographers, and the Institute of British Geographers. The annual award and honorarium recognize outstanding contributions to geographic research on important social issues. The award is named in memory of Glenda Laws, a geographer who brought energy and enthusiasm to her work on issues of social justice and social policy.

The 2007 Glenda Laws Award Committee selected James Tyner of Kent State University for his “long-standing and steadfast commitment in research and teaching to social justice,” including work on the geographies of race, religion, economics and labor, geopolitics and the morality of war.

The 2007 AAG Meredith F. Burrill Award was given to The Louisiana State University GIS Clearinghouse Cooperative, which includes Jacqueline Mills, Andrew Curtis, and Michael Leitner (who were present to accept the award on behalf of the cooperative), as well as John Pine and Barrett Kennedy.

The Meredith F. Burrill Award was established to commemorate Meredith “Pete” Burrill’s many and varied contributions to the profession of geography as an academic, senior government official, and officer of the AAG. Burrill served as AAG President in 1965. The award is meant to stimulate and reward talented individuals and groups whose accomplishments parallel the intellectual traditions Burrill pursued as a geographer, particularly his concern with fundamental geographical concepts and their practical applications in local, national, and international policy arenas.

Since August 29, 2005, the team at the LSU GIS Clearinghouse Cooperative has helped manage disaster response to Hurricane Katrina through the use of geospatial tools and geographic information, and hopes to improve the effectiveness of future responses to catastrophes through their work.

The AAG wishes to congratulate all the award winners.

Each year, the AAG sponsors numerous awards and grants. For a full list, including detailed descriptions and deadlines, visit www.aag.org/grantsawards/index.cfm.
AAG Receives Award for Excellence in Nonprofit Management

The AAG was recently recognized as one of five organizations awarded an honorable mention for The Washington Post 2007 Award for Excellence in Nonprofit Management. The honor was presented by the Center for Nonprofit Advancement during a June 20, 2007 awards presentation held at The Washington Post. The AAG also received a $2,500 grant as part of the award.

“We are honored to be acknowledged by The Washington Post for our efforts to strengthen the AAG and expand its influence and prestige,” said Doug Richardson, AAG’s executive director. He summarized many facets of the AAG’s recent transformation in a formal presentation entitled, “Organizational Renewal: Managing for Change,” to the Award panel. The presentation noted that “the AAG has achieved dramatic and measurable improvement throughout the organization. This management success is even more striking when considering that most peer associations have experienced declining or flat growth during the same time period.”

The Washington Post Award selection committee, comprised of 19 experts in the field of nonprofit management, evaluated the AAG in the areas of fiscal management, information and communication, organizational development, people development, planning, resource development, risk management, and use of technology. The selection committee honored the AAG for many of its activities, citing the following best management practices:

- Systematic, integrated approach to organizational renewal and growth
- Well-developed strategy for increasing membership and maintaining relevance in the field
- Thoughtful and effective approach to building partnerships with other organizations
- Integrated workflow redesign and implementation of matrix management strategies
- Delivery of innovative programs and services
- Maintaining an ethic of inclusiveness, and responsiveness to changing demographics

During the selection process, the AAG advanced through two rounds of pre-determined assessment questions and, in the third and final round, hosted a site visit at the AAG offices to meet with the full selection committee. The committee selected five organizations as awardees.

The award program is sponsored by The Washington Post Company, with additional support from the Center for Nonprofit Advancement and George Town University’s Center for Public and Nonprofit Leadership.

Honorary Geographer Nominations

Every year the AAG designates an individual as that year’s AAG Honorary Geographer as a way of recognizing excellence in research, teaching, or writing on geographic topics by non-geographers. Nominations for the 2008 AAG Honorary Geographer are now being solicited.

Nominations should include the complete name and address of the nominee and a concise (500 words maximum) yet specific description of the accomplishments that warrant the nominee’s selection as an Honorary Geographer. Biographical and bibliographical information not included in the statement should not exceed six additional pages of text.


You may wish to encourage your Congressional representatives to keep these and related thoughts in mind as Congress deliberates on the challenges facing American students in the months and years to come. Without a geographic frame of reference, tomorrow’s leaders will be lacking one of the central perspectives they need to formulate sound public policy in areas ranging from environmental conservation and transportation to national security and international trade. Your input to and education of Congress on this matter will be a valuable addition to the debate at this time, regardless of whether a reauthorization of NCLB occurs during this year, or continues to a future year.

Additional information on NCLB and geography, including regular NCLB status updates, is available on the AAG website at www.aag.org/nclb.

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for those wishing to contribute to the cost of legal fees and educational activities of
responding to these issues.

“You can be assured that all qualified professionals in the
mapping and GIS communities can fairly compete for government contracts,”
said Douglas Richardson, executive director of the AAG. A ruling in favor of the
MAPPS plaintiffs would have had far reaching negative impacts on cartogra-
phers, geographers, computer scientists, planners, GIS specialists, governmental
agencies, GIS software and service companies, and many others who have long
been creative, innovative, and productive forces in the mapping and GIS fields. (See
Richardson, “The Plan to Hijack Mapping,” AAG Newsletter, March 2007, for
more information.)

Although Judge Ellis ruled that MAPPS, et al., did not establish the requisite standing
to bring the case, the plaintiffs have the right to request reconsideration. However,
according to AAG’s attorneys, the judge’s written decision suggests that he was skeptical of MAPPS’ arguments and
thus would be unlikely to grant such a motion. The MAPPS plaintiffs also have
60 days to file a notice of appeal. Given the substance of the court’s decision,
however, an appeal would likely face an uphill battle.

Although their actions have already antagonized broad segments of the GIS
and mapping communities, including many U.S. and local governmental agency per-
sonnel, it appears that MAPPS and its special interest backers will persist in attempting
to implement exclusionary mapping measures, despite this significant legal setback.
MAPPS has recently indicated its intent to undertake lobbying campaigns at both the
federal and state levels, to achieve ends similar to those sought in their recently
dismissed lawsuit.

For more information on the MAPPS lawsuit and its implications, including the
full text of the lawsuit, the court’s ruling, and the Amicus Brief filed by the AAG, et
al., visit www.aag.org.

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of Human Ecology, CINVESTAV), and
Marla Emery (Chair, AAG Rural Geogra-
phy Specialty Group).

Facing the prospect of a long distance
household move, it seemed like the right
time for Professor Sonnenfeld to pass
along his complete 50-year archive of
the Annals to others who might continue
to make good use of them for some time
to come. The message found its way to
Marla, a 2003 Fulbright-García Robles
Scholar who was generously hosted by
the Mérida Unit of CINVESTAV. Marla
contacted her colleague, Dr. Faust, and
the news of the potential donation was
received with enthusiasm. For his part,
Professor Sonnenfeld was delighted to
link up with scholars at CINVESTAV,
the center was just the kind of place he
had hoped to find for the Annals. It took
a bit of leg work on all sides, but eventu-
ally Professor Sonnenfeld’s journals were
packaged by a shipping firm in Port Angeles,
Washington, from where they were sent
to Mérida. Transport costs were covered
by CINVESTAV, which also purchased a
bookshelf to hold them.

Five Schools in the Department
of Geography at the University of Panama
also received an extensive collection of
library resources for their faculty, under-
graduate and graduate student population.
Donald Berg, Professor Emeritus of the
South Dakota State University, provided
complete sets of 35 years each of the
Annals and PGs to Central America. Joseph
Kerski, moving his office from USGS to
his new post at ESRI, added to the col-
lection by contributing numerous books,
posters, and maps for teaching. An anony-
mous donor offered two boxes of geogra-
phy books and arranged for the payment
of the shipping charges to Panama. Mario
de Leon, Chair of the Department at the
University of Panama, accepted the dona-
tion together with student representa-
tive Noris Martínez, who made logistical
arrangements for the arrival and access to
the materials.

Donate Funds for Shipping

The high price of shipping overseas has
limited exchanges thus far. Thus, the
donation of funds for shipping is just as
important to this program as is the gener-
ous donation of the journals themselves.
Like many international universities, CIN-
VESTAV’s and the University of Panama’s
dedicated faculty and enthusiastic students
pursue their work and studies without the
benefit of the extensive library resources
and easy journal access that many in the
United States, Canada, and Europe take for
granted. On the other side, for example,
the growing retiring geography communi-
yty in the U.S. are seeking ways to continue
their contributions to the discipline by
arranging for their library resources to be
transferred to those who need them most.
These transfers can be costly, however.
The AAG has received other offers from
both retirees and requests from geography
departments abroad. Still, more resources
are needed to get these valuable journals
to the places they need to go.

If you wish to contribute journals, library
materials, or provide a donation to cover-
shipping costs for geography depart-
ment libraries in countries with limited
resources, please visit the AAG Journals
Online Exchange community at http://
communicate.aag.rg/ or email Patricia Solís
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The Ongoing NCLB Reauthorization Process

Picking up on the call to action issued in Doug Richardson’s column this month, the following is a more detailed synopsis of where the NCLB legislative reauthorization process stands and who you can reach out to in an effort to have the most effect on behalf of geography education.

The House Committee on Education and Labor, under the leadership of Chairman George Miller (D-CA), and the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee, chaired by Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-MA), have convened a series of ongoing hearings this year focused on different aspects of the ESEA and what has and has not been working since NCLB went into effect in 2002. Both Chairmen have stated a goal of releasing reauthorization proposals by August 3 (the last Congressional working day before the month-long Summer District Work Period).

While reauthorization is a priority for the Committees and the Democratic Leadership in both Houses of Congress, there is still disagreement in Washington as to whether the political will exists to craft a compromise bill that the White House will agree to by year’s end. It does seem quite clear that if an agreement cannot be reached before the end of the year, a reauthorization is unlikely until 2009 – the polarization of an election year will make action nearly impossible in 2008.

An existing factor that could dampen chances for action this year is the early start to the presidential campaign. With the candidates already in midseason form, several of the leading Democrats in the field have issued scathing critiques of NCLB and promised to push for significant reforms. If these individuals, including Senators Hillary Clinton (D-NY), Barack Obama (D-IL), Chris Dodd (D-CT), and former Senator John Edwards (D-NC), push for changes to the law that the White House is unwilling to agree to, the reauthorization could be forestalled until a new president is inaugurated in January 2009. This would also mean a new Congress would be in place, with the potential for significant changes to Committee rosters.

That having been said, this is the most important year for those interested in the ESEA since No Child was passed in 2001, and even if a bill is not in place by the end of the year, any proposals put forward in 2007 would likely have a significant effect on a 2009 reauthorization. Your input to and education of Congress on this matter would be a valuable addition to the debate at this time, regardless of whether a reauthorization of NCLB occurs during this year, or continues to a future year.

Who You Should Contact

While we urge you to contact all of your Senators and Representatives about this important topic, the following members serve on the Congressional Committees with jurisdiction over NCLB. If you are from the same state as one of these individuals or have a personal tie to their office, please consider contacting them directly:

Senators – Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, & Pensions
• Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)
• Wayne Allard (R-CO)
• Christopher Dodd (D-CT)
• Johnny Isakson (R-GA)
• Barack Obama (D-IL)
• Tom Harkin (D-IA)
• Pat Roberts (R-KS)
• Barbara A. Mikulski (D-MD)
• Edward Kennedy, Chairman (D-MA)
• Judd Gregg (R-NH)
• Jeff Bingaman (D-NM)
• Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-NY)
• Richard Burr (R-NC)
• Sherrod Brown (D-OH)
• Tom Coburn, M.D. (R-OK)
• Jack Reed (D-RI)
• Lamar Alexander (R-TN)
• Orrin G. Hatch (R-UT)
• Bernard Sanders (I-VT)
• Patty Murray (D-WA)
• Michael B. Enzi, Ranking Member (R-WY)

Representatives – House Committee on Education & Labor
• Raul M. Grijalva (D-AZ)
• Susan A. Davis (D-CA)
• Howard P. "Buck" McKeon, Ranking Member (R-CA)
• George Miller, Chairman (D-CA)
• Linda T. Sánchez (D-CA)
• Lynn C. Woolsey (D-CA)
• Joe Courtney (D-CT)
• Michael N. Castle (R-DE)
• Ric Keller (R-FL)
• Tom Price (R-GA)
• Mazie Hirono (D-HI)
• Judy Biggert (R-IL)
• Danny K. Davis (D-IL)
• Phil Hare (D-IL)
• Mark E. Souder (R-IN)
• Dave Loebback (D-IA)
• John Yarmuth (R-KY)
• Charles W. Boustany, Jr. (R-LA)
• John Sarbanes (D-MD)
• John F. Tierney (D-MA)
• Vernon J. Ehlers (R-MI)
• Peter Hoekstra (R-MI)
• Dale E. Kildee (D-MI)
• Timothy Walberg (R-MI)
• John Kline (R-MN)
• Carol Shea-Porter (D-NH)
• Robert E. Andrews (D-NJ)
• Rush D. Holt (D-NJ)
• Donald M. Payne (D-NJ)
• Timothy H. Bishop (D-NY)
• Yvette Clarke (D-NY)
• John R. "Randy" Kuhl, Jr. (R-NY)
• Carolyn McCarthy (D-NY)
• Dean Heller (R-NV)
• Virginia Foxx (R-NC)
• Dennis J. Kucinich (D-OH)
• David Wu (D-OR)
• Jason Altmire (D-PA)
• Todd Russell Platts (R-PA)
• Joe Sestak (D-PA)
• Luis G. Fortuño (R-PR)
• Joe Wilson (R-SC)
• David Davis (R-TN)
• Rubén Hinojosa (D-TX)
• Kenny Marchant (R-TX)
• Rob Bishop (R-UT)
• Robert C. Scott (D-VA)

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Humboldt Research Fellowship

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation supports scholars of all nationalities and fields as they conduct research in Germany for a period of six to twelve months. Scholars design research plans and select hosts at German institutions. Fellowships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement, i.e., the quality and feasibility of the proposed research and the candidate's international publications. Applicants must be under forty and have a PhD. In addition to the monthly stipend, allowances are available for accompanying family members, travel expenses, and German language instruction. Deadline: Applications may be submitted at any time.

For details see: www.humboldt-foundation.de or contact the American Friends of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation at info@americanfriends-of-avh.org.

Hiett Prize in the Humanities

The Hiett Prize in the Humanities recognizes a person whose work shows extraordinary promise and includes a significant public component. The award is $50,000.

Candidates must be within the early stages of a career track in which the primary work is centered in or directly related to one or more of the humanities. Applicants must submit a letter of nomination from someone already established in the humanities. Applicants must also provide a curriculum vitae of no more than 4 pages, a profile of published or accomplished work, and a plan for future scholarship or projects in the humanities. Submission deadline is September 15, 2007. Details are available at: www.dallasinstitute.org.

National Humanities Center Fellowships 2008-2009

The National Humanities Center is offering 40 residential fellowships for advanced study in the humanities during the academic year 2008-09. Applicants must hold a doctorate or equivalent scholarly credentials. Young scholars as well as senior scholars are encouraged to apply. A record of publication is a must. The Center does not support the revision of doctoral dissertations. In addition to all humanities disciplines, the Center accepts applications from the natural and social sciences, the arts, the professions, and those in public life who are engaged in humanistic projects. The Center also accepts applications from scholars outside the United States.

Applicants should submit the Center's form, supported by a curriculum vitae, a 1000-word project proposal, and three letters of recommendation. Application materials may be requested by contacting Fellowship Program, National Humanities Center, Post Office Box 12256, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709-2256. Forms and instructions may also be obtained from the Center's website at http://www.nhc.rtp.nc.us.

Applications and letters of recommendation must be postmarked by October 15, 2007.

McColl Family Fellowship

Given by Dr. and Mrs. Robert W. McColl, consists of round trip air fare to any place in the world of the candidate's choosing. Candidate must secure funding for other expenses from other sources. The only obligation of the Fellow is to write an article based on the visit abroad that is suitable for publication in Focus on Geography magazine. The article must be submitted to the editor within six months upon return from the trip.

Applications for the McColl Family Fellowship for 2008 must be received in the AGS offices by October 16, 2007. They are to consist of the candidate's curriculum vitae; a covering letter of no more than three pages that describes a) the proposed trip, b) the reasons for selecting that itinerary, and c) the candidate's particular competence for doing field there; and a statement of the sum requested. Samples of writing similar to the style of Focus on Geography may be included. Applications should be sent to: McColl Family Fellowship Committee; The American Geographical Society; 120 Wall Street, Suite 100, New York, New York 10005-3904.

For further information contact Mary Lynne Bird at (212)422-5456 voice, (212)422-5480 fax, MLBird@amergeo.org or see the AGS website at http://www.amergeo.org.

New Student Fulbright Opportunity for Study in Finland

A new grant opportunity is now open for American students interested in studying in Finland during 2008-09. Applicants also need to apply for admission to the University of Helsinki. Preference will be given to students admitted to one of the university's international master's degree programs. Application deadline is October 19, 2007. For more information visit: www.fullbrightonline.org.

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Quarter Century

The August 1982 AAG Newsletter announced the formation of a new journal, Society and Space. Committed to “developing the theory of social process in geographic space” and intended to provide a “forum for interdisciplinary analyses,” the newsletter reported that the new journal, set to begin publishing on a quarterly basis in 1983 with Michael Dear as Editor, would attempt to affect the social sciences broadly. “The journal is open to all disciplines wishing to explore how social processes are mediated through space.”

A total of 59 international registrants were reported as having attended the 1982 AAG Annual Meeting in San Antonio, or 2.8% of all registered participants. (Compare this to the 2007 AAG Annual Meeting, when approximately 21% of registered participants attended from places outside of the United States.)

At the University of Texas, Austin, Terry Jordan of North Texas State University was to join the Department of Geography in the fall to take over the Walter Prescott Webb Chair of History and Ideas, a position recently transferred from UT-Austin’s History Department to its Department of Geography.
2007 AAG IGIF Awards and Grants

The AAG International Geographic Fund Committee (IGIF) announced its selections for student travel awards and student travel grant competitions at the AAG Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

The AAG IGIF Student Travel Grants are available to full-time undergraduate or graduate students specializing in spatial analysis or GIS. Awardees are recognized for their academic record as well as their clarity of focus in career goals.

This year, travel grants of $500 each were given to Debarchana Ghosh (University of Minnesota), Jennifer Miller (University of Texas at Austin) Hunter Barcello (University of Idaho), Li Zhe (Clark University), Sarah McLane (University of South Carolina), and Anne Trainor (University of North Carolina). The AAG International Geographic Fund Committee also recognizes outstanding student papers in any area of spatial analysis or geographic information science or systems. To be eligible, the paper must be presented at a national or international conference or a specialized meeting sponsored by a professional organization.

Stephanie Deitrick, a graduate student in the Department of Geography at Arizona State University, was presented with the 2007 AAG-IGIF Student Paper Award for “The Influence of Uncertainty Visualization on Decision Making: An Empirical Evaluation.” She presented the paper at the 12th International Symposium on Spatial Data Handling in Vienna, Austria in July 2006. The honor carries an award in the amount of $200.

The AAG provides small grants to support outstanding graduate level research proposed by a student in any area of spatial analysis or geographic information science or systems. This award is financially supported by the AAG-IGIF Fund. Awardees are recognized for the originality, relevance, and quality of their proposed research project.

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Beard was an ideal choice to lead the “Green the Capitol” initiative in part because of his extensive background in managing environmental issues. As Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Interior Department, he guided the agency on a more environmentally responsible path by promoting water conservation among agricultural and urban water users. He also served as Chief Operating Officer and Senior Vice President for Public Policy at the National Audubon Society.

Beard was sworn in as Chief Administrative Officer of the U.S. House of Representatives. As CAO, Beard was appointed by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) and is charged with providing the operations infrastructure and support necessary to the 435 Members of the House. His staff works behind the scenes installing furniture, laying fiber optic cable, managing employee payroll and benefits, child care, and parking, as well as ensuring easy access to meals for all Members of Congress, staff, and visitors to the House. His office also oversees the House recording studio. Separately, Beard has been tapped by Pelosi to manage her “Green the Capitol” environmental initiative.

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- Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA)
- Thomas E. Petri (R-WI)

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United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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The Honorable <Full Name>
U.S. House of Representatives
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Other Key Geography Education Initiatives

In addition to possible reauthorization of NCLB legislation this year, two other bills have also been introduced in Congress that would also serve to promote geography education. The Teaching Geography is Fundamental Act (S. 727 and H.R. 1228) has been introduced in both houses of congress, thanks largely to the supportive work of the National Geographic Society. The AAG also supports these bills and is heartened that numerous sponsors have signed on in each House of Congress. Additional information on possible action on these bills will be provided as it becomes available.

Geographer Serving as Key House Staffer

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Each year AAG specialty groups confer honors and awards on both faculty and students. The following is a list of awards presented at the 2007 AAG Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

**Africa SG**

**Outstanding Student Paper Award**
Sara Nelson, MacAlester College
“Farming on the Fringes: Changes in Agriculture, Land Use, and Livelihoods in the Peri-Urban Zone of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”

**Cartography SG**

**National Geographic/Cartography SG Award in Mapping**
Cassandra Hansen, University of Nevada, Reno
“Trails of the Mt. Shasta Region” (map)

**Student Illustrated Paper Competition (sponsored by CSG, RS, and GISS groups)**

1st Joseph Fortier, Clark University
2nd Karen Culcasi (cartography), Syracuse University
3rd Aude Esperbe (cartography), San Diego State University

**Master’s Thesis Grant Awards (Winter 2006)**

Steph Gaspers, Portland State University
“Which Thematic Maps are Practical for Educational Purposes? A Study with Middle School Students”

Liv Detrick, Penn State University
“A Comparative Usability Study of GIS Software for K-12 Education”

Robert Roth, University of Wisconsin, Madison
“Exploring How the Representation of Different Types of Uncertainties Influences Decisions Based on Geospatial Data”

Richer Marcel Boudreau, California State University, Long Beach

Mamata Kumari Akella, Penn State University
“Creating a Map of Physical Space without Social Boundaries”

**Cartography SG Group Thesis Grant**
Mamata Kumari Akella, Penn State University
“Creating a Map of Physical Space without Social Boundaries”

**China SG**

**Best Student Paper Award**
Zhilin Liu, Cornell University
“Beyond Local Growth Coalition: the Case of the Economic and Sustainable Housing Program in Transitional Urban China”

**Climate SG**

**Paper of the Year Award**
Mark D. Schwartz, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
“Onset of Spring Starting Earlier across the Northern Hemisphere”

**Lifetime Achievement Award**
Waltraud “Wally” Brinkmann, University of Wisconsin, Madison

**Coastal Marine SG**

**Norb Psuty Student Paper Merit Award**
Dilumie Saumedakabeyirsirigunnawardena, University of Victoria, British Columbia
“Atmospheric and Sea Level Responses to Climate Variability and Associated Impacts on a Low Lying Coastal System in Northern British Columbia”

**Honorable Mention**
Jeb Roberts, Oregon State University
“Morphological Interpretation of Seamounts in American Samoa”

**Communication Geography SG**

**Stanley Brunn Student Paper Prize**
1st Phillipa Mitchell, University of Auckland, New Zealand

**Economic Geography SG**

**Best Student Paper Award**
Robin Roff, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver
“Pre-empting to Nothing: Neoliberalism and the Fight to de/re-regulate Agricultural Biotechnology”

**Runners-up:** John Finn, Arizona State University; Leigh Schwartz, University of Texas at Austin

**Cryosphere SG**

**R.S. Tarr Student Paper Award**
Dmitry A. Streletsky, University of Delaware
“Monitoring of Frost Heave and Thaw Subsidence in Northern Alaska with Differential GPS”

**Cultural and Political Ecology SG**

**Student Paper Award**
Arielle Levine, University of California, Berkeley
“Staying Afloat: State Agencies, Local Communities, and International Involvement in Marine Protected Area Management in Zanzibar, Tanzania”

**Field Study Award**
Darrell Fuhriman, Penn State University
“Dangerous Donations: Discarded Electronics in Accra, Ghana”

**Robert McC. Netting Award**
Michael J. Watts, University of California, Berkeley
For his outstanding and inspiring contribution to the field.
Best Dissertation Award
Sook-Jin Kim, Konkuk University, South Korea
“Scaling Nature: Technoscience, GMO’s and the South Korean Seed Industry”

Energy and Environment SG

Earl Cook Award
Waquar Ahmed, Clark University
“Global Discourses and Local Politics in the Production of Power Policy in India”

Environmental Perception and Behavioral Geography SG

Saarinen Student Paper Award
Jerome Lohry
“The View from Here: The 1841 Bidwell-Bartleson Party’s Perception of the California Emigrant Trail”

Ethnic Geography SG

Best Student Paper
1st Brian W. Dunbar, California State University, Northridge
“Occupational and Residential Trajectories of Zapotec Immigrants in Los Angeles”
2nd Micheline Van Riemsdijk, University of Colorado, Boulder
“Spatializing Race: National Imaginaries of Whiteness in Norway”

Best Dissertation Proposal
Ipsita Chatterjee, Clark University
“Social Injustice and the Fascist City: Unjust Geographies of Globalization”

Geomorphicology SG

Melvin G. Marcus Distinguished Career Award
John D. (Jack) Vitek, Texas A&M University

Grove Karl Gilbert Award
Basil Gomez, Indiana State University
“The Potential Rate of Bed-load Transport”

Reds Wolman Graduate Student Research Award: Doctoral Student
James D. Riley, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
“Flow Dynamics and Channel Morphology at Natural Confluent-meander Bends”

Reds Wolman Graduate Student Research Award: Masters Student
Gwenda J. Schlomer, Missouri State University
“Geomorphic Response of a North Carolina Piedmont Watershed to Early American Settlements Recorded in Overbank Floodplain Deposits”

Graduate Student Paper Award: Doctoral Student
Mark D. Lange, University of Southern California
“Patterns of Flow at a Tidal River Divergence, Sacramento River, California”

Graduate Student Paper Award: Masters Student
Brooke R. Saari, University of West Florida
“Post-Hurricane Interactions between Vegetation Dynamics, Dune Recovery, and Physical Gradients on Barrier Islands”

Geographic Information Systems and Science SG

Robert T Aageenbrug Distinguished Career Award 2006
Michael Goodchild, University of California, Santa Barbara
Duane F. Marble, Ohio State University

Honors Student Paper Competition
1st Edward Pultar, University of Utah
2nd Don Goldberg, University of Southern California

Geographic Perspectives on Women SG

The Glenda Laws Student Paper Competition Award
Serin D. Houston, Syracuse University
“Challenge, Complicity and Conformity: Expressions of Whiteness in Mixed-Race Households in Tacoma, Washington”

Jan Monk Service Award
Janet Momsen, University of California, Davis

Indigenous Peoples SG

Student Paper Award
Keith W. Linder, Colorado State University
“Biopolitical Ecuador: Race and Nature in the Formation of a Nation”
Latin American SG

**Doctoral Student Paper Award**
Clark Gray, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
“Out-Migration and Rural Livelihoods in the Southern Ecuadorian Andes”

**Masters Student Paper Award**
Ramin D. Zamanian, Louisiana State University
“A Material/Conceptual Landscape Analysis of the Virgin of Guadalupe Pilgrimage Site in Mexico City, Mexico”

Medical Geography SG

**Jacques May Thesis Prizes**
Lea Berrang Ford, University of Guelph
“Spatial and Temporal Analysis of Sleeping Sickness Re-emergence in Southeastern Uganda”
Julienne Gard, California State University, Long Beach
“Creating Health in Native American Sweat Lodges: the Production of an Alternative Healing Space”

Middle East/North Africa SG

**Student Paper Competition Award**
Giorgio Hadi Curti, San Diego State University
“From a wall of bodies to a body of walls: the politics of memory/ the politics of war in Palestine/Israel”

Military Geography SG

**2007 Student Paper Competition**
Dustin S. Howard, University of Oklahoma
“Analysis of Foreign Military Sales in the Middle East”

Political Geography SG

**Stanley D. Brunn Young Scholar Award**
Anna Secor, University of Kentucky
“Embodied Histories: Women, Religion and Family Decisions in Leh, Ladakh, India”

Remote Sensing SG

**2007 Outstanding Contributions Award (highest award)**
Donald Rundquist, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

**2007 Best Paper Award for Early Career Scholars in Remote Sensing**
Soe Myint, Arizona State University
“Is the Getis Index More Effective than the Geary’s C Function in Detecting Spatial Pattern? A case study of urban land use and land cover mapping”

Sexuality and Space SG

**Student Paper Competition**
1st Eleanor Wilkinson, University of Leeds
“Bound and Gagged: Censorship, Citizenship”
2nd Ryan Cartwright, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
“Queering Time and Space? The U.S. American Agricultural Fair in the Early Twentieth Century”

Spatial Analysis and Modeling SG

**Best Student Paper**
1st Qiang Cai, University of Iowa
“Controlling the Spatial Support in Disease Mapping”
2nd David C. Wheeler, Emory University
“Diagnostic Tools and a Remedial Method for Collinearity in Geographically Weighted Regression”

Transportation Geography SG

**2007 PhD Dissertation Award in Transportation Geography**
Xuwei Chen, Texas State University, San Marcos
“Microsimulation of Evacuation Strategies”

**Student Paper Award 2006**
Ryan E. Galt, Cornell University

**Richard Morrill Public Outreach Award**
Gerald Webster, University of Wyoming

**Student Paper Award: PhD**
Tristan Sturm, University of California, Los Angeles
“Remapping the Apocalypse after the Cold War”

**Student Paper Award: MA**
Ted Holland, University of Colorado, Boulder
“Geographies and Nationalism in Post-Soviet Dagestan”

**Rural Geography SG**

**Student Paper Award**
Maud E. Galt, Cornell University
“From a wall of bodies to a body of walls: the politics of memory/ the politics of war in Palestine/Israel”

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**Galt**

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T.R. Lakshmanan, Boston University

Urban Geography SG

Urban Geography Student Paper Award
Ipsita Chatterjee, Clark University
“Social Injustice and the Fascist City”

Urban Geography Masters Thesis Award
Jesse Proudfoot, Simon Fraser University
“At Street Level: Bureaucrats and Spaces of Regulation”

Urban Geography Graduate Student Fellowship
Ipsita Chatterjee, Clark University
“Globalization and Urban Conflict: A Case Study of Hindu-Muslim Conflict in Ahmedabad, India”

Urban Geography Dissertation Award
Pablo Bose, University of Vermont
“Towards a Global City of Joy: Diasporic Transportational Practices and Peri-Urban Transformations in Contemporary Kolkata”

Water Resources SG

Undergraduate Poster Award
Veronica Wanstreet, Keene State College
“Quantifying Intangible Benefits in Dam Removal Decisions”

Graduate Poster Award
Mindy Conyers, Texas State University
“Flow Resistance Estimation in the Upper Animas River Watershed, Colorado, USA”

Research Grant Proposal: PhD
Katherine Meehan, University of Arizona
“Greywater and the Grid: Analyzing Wastewater Reuse in Tijuana”

Interactive Labor Trail Map

In November of 2006, the Chicago Center for Working Class Studies (CCWCS) announced the launch of its online Interactive Labor Trail map. Building on the CCWCS’s paper map, the ILT map highlights the importance of labor activism and working-class life by featuring 140 sites vital to working-class culture and history in the Chicago area. The project showcases the ongoing struggles and achievements of labor activists and working-class people and offers many possibilities as a resource for classroom projects, allowing users to create their own tour routes by neighborhood or topic.

Anyone interested in labor issues or working-class experience in Chicago or elsewhere is invited to help continue building this interactive cartography project by contributing additional information, photos, videos, links or map sites. The Interactive Labor Trail map is available at: www.labortrail.org.

Eyes on Darfur

The human rights organization Amnesty International is inviting people worldwide to monitor 12 villages in the Darfur province of Sudan through the project “Eyes on Darfur.” The project can be viewed at www.eyesondarfur.org.

“Eyes on Darfur” uses geospatial technology to reveal visual information about conditions on the ground for objects as small as two feet, in diameter. Comparative satellite imagery can demonstrate evidence of destroyed huts, fields, livestock, and fleeing refugees in the war-torn region. The project can also help identify areas of increasing vulnerability to attack based on proximity to important resources like water supplies or patterns of recent violence.

Ariela Blätter, director of the Crisis Prevention and Response Center for Amnesty International, recently described the project at the Fifth International Symposium on Digital Earth at the University of California, Berkeley. According to Blätter, Amnesty International worked closely with the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), which offered expertise on satellite imagery and other cutting edge geospatial technologies.

Although the government of Sudan has refused to allow the deployment of U.N. peacekeepers in Darfur, Amnesty International hopes that surveillance of the area through geospatial technologies by millions of ordinary people worldwide can help to stop civil rights abuses in the region.

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OCTOBER

16. McColl Family Fellowship. Contact Mary Lynne Bird at (212) 422-5456, MLBird@mergeog.org, or see AGS website at http://www.mergeog.org.

NOVEMBER

15. Canada-U.S. Fulbright Student Awards for Canadian graduate students. www.fulbright.ca.

DECEMBER

31. AAG IGIF Student Travel Grant, Student Paper Award, and Graduate Research Award
31. J.B. Jackson Prize. http://www.aag.org/Grantsawards/jackson_prize.cfm, or contact Michael P. Conzen at m-conzen@uchicago.edu for more information.

For a summary of all AAG grants and awards, visit www.aag.org/grantsawards/index.cfm.
John R. Weeks (San Diego State University), Li An (San Diego State University), Stephanie Brodin (San Diego State University), Arthur Getis (San Diego State University), Douglas Stow (San Diego State University), Alan Hill (Harvard School of Public Health), David Rain (George Washington University), and Ryan Enstrom (George Washington University) have been awarded a $2.5 million grant over a five-year period by the National Institute of Health for a project entitled “Health, Poverty, and Place: Modeling Inequalities in Accra Using RS and GIS,” which uses emerging geospatial techniques to provide a model for the interpretation of urban health inequalities in cities located in poor countries.

Bimal Paul and Deborah Che of Kansas State University recently received a 2007 Quick Response Research Grant from the Natural Hazards Center at University of Colorado at Boulder for their project “Disaster in Kansas: The Tornado in Greensburg.”

Tom Cova, associate professor of geography at the University of Utah, and Frank Drews, assistant professor of Psychology (University of Utah), received a National Science Foundation grant of $288,000 in support of a project entitled, “Protective-action decision making in wildfires.”

David Abernathy (associate professor of geography and global studies at Warren Wilson College) and Michael Roy (executive director of the nonprofit organization Conservation through Research, Education and Action) have been awarded a $100,000 grant from the Panamanian Secretaría Nacional de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación (SENACYT) in support of a research project addressing the use of GIS and wireless sensor networks for protecting natural resources in Panama.

Appalachian State University, Assistant Professor, Christopher A. Badurek. PhD 2005, University of Buffalo.

University of Florida, Assistant Professor, Gamal Seedahmed. PhD 2004, Ohio State University.

University of Florida, Assistant Professor, Amr Abd Eelrahman. PhD 2001, University of Florida.

George Mason University, Professor of Geography and Director, Center of Excellence in Geographic Information Science, Nigel Waters. PhD 1977, University of Western Ontario.

George Mason University, Associate Professor, Kevin Curtin. PhD 2002, University of California, Santa Barbara.

George Mason University, Assistant Professor, Matt Rice. PhD 2005, University of California, Santa Barbara.

George Mason University, Assistant Professor, Germana Mance. PhD 1998, University of Sassari, Sardinia, Italy.

George Mason University, Assistant Professor, Timothy Leslie. PhD forthcoming summer 2007, Arizona State University.

Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, Assistant Professor, Mathias Le Bossé. PhD 2000, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Louisiana State University, Assistant Professor, David P. Brown. PhD 2004, University of Arizona.

Louisiana State University, Assistant Professor, Lei Wang. PhD 2006, Texas A&M University.

Louisiana State University, Professor, Fahui Wang. PhD 1995, Ohio State University.

San Diego State University, Assistant Professor, Trent W. Biggs. PhD 2003, University of California, Santa Barbara.

San Diego State University, Assistant Professor, Pascale Joassart-Marcelli. PhD 1999, University of Southern California.

Texas A&M University, Assistant Professor, Reuben Rose-Redwood. PhD 2006, The Pennsylvania State University.

University of New Hampshire, Lecturer, Beth Hall. PhD 2006, University of Nevada, Reno.

University of New Mexico, Associate Professor, Paul A. Zandbergen. PhD 1998, University of British Columbia.

University of New Mexico, Assistant Professor, Kristina Maria Doyle Lane. PhD 2006, University of Texas at Austin.

University of South Alabama, Assistant Professor, Wenfei Winnie Wang. PhD 2005, University of California, Los Angeles.

University of South Alabama, Assistant Professor, Carol F. Sawyer. PhD 2007, Texas State University, San Marcos.

University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, Assistant Professor, Eric Compas. ABD, PhD forthcoming summer 2007, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, Assistant Professor, Dale Splinter. PhD 2006, Oklahoma State University.

West Chester University of Pennsylvania, Assistant Professor, Joy A. Fritschle. PhD forthcoming 2008, University of Wisconsin.

Key: New institution, position, name. Degree, year degree granted, granting institution.
Call for Papers
2008 Annual Meeting of the AAG

The Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers attracts more than 6,500 geographers and related professionals from around the world. Our meeting forum stimulates discussion about research, education, accomplishments, and developments in geography. Your participation is most welcome and encouraged.

The 2008 Annual Meeting will be held at the Copley Place Marriott and Westin hotels in Boston, Massachusetts. If you are interested in submitting a presentation, please read the following guidelines carefully. The AAG Annual Meeting accepts all submitted abstracts for presentation. If you have any questions about these guidelines, please direct them to Oscar Larson at meeting@aag.org. Abstracts must be submitted online at www.aag.org/annualmeeting between August 1, 2007, and October 31, 2007.

PRESENTATIONS
Presenters may give one, and only one, of the following presentations:
• Paper
• Interactive Short Paper
• Poster Presentation
• Illustrated Paper

Your presentation should describe the purpose, methods, and conclusions of your research. No one may submit or take part in more than one presentation. Abstracts can only be submitted online after you have registered for the meeting.

Papers
• 20 minutes per paper (time includes presentation and discussion)
• 5 presentations per session
• Digital projector provided at no charge (please bring your laptop)
• Abstract submission deadline: October 31, 2007

Each paper is allotted 20 minutes for presentation and discussion. Paper sessions are limited to five presentations.

A digital projector will be available in each meeting room; however, participants must furnish their own computers. You may request a 35-mm carousel slide projector (not including slide trays) and an overhead projector for a $3 fee. If you require other types of audio/visual equipment, please contact Oscar Larson at meeting@aag.org.

Illustrated Papers
• 3 to 5-minute oral presentation followed by discussion at individual posters
• 8 to 12 presentations per session
• AV consists of 4’ x 8’ poster boards only
• Abstract submission deadline: October 31, 2007

An illustrated paper is a short (3- to 5-minute) oral summary of problem, data, method, and findings presented in poster format, followed by a one-on-one or small group discussion with interested listeners at the poster. All oral summaries (8 to 12 per session) will be given at the beginning of each illustrated paper session before participants disperse to the poster boards around the room. Each presenter will post illustrations and other relevant materials on a 4’ x 8’ poster board supplied by the AAG.

Interactive Short Papers
• 5-minute presentation
• 10-14 presentations per session
• Digital projector and computer with PowerPoint software is provided at no charge
• Abstract submission deadline: October 31, 2007

The format of the Interactive Short Paper (ISP) Session allows for ten to fourteen 5-minute paper presentations involving a maximum of 10 PowerPoint slides per presentation summarizing research or research in progress in a particular field, followed by a 30- to 45-minute interactive roundtable discussion among presenters and the audience. This type of session has become popular at other meetings as it provides the audience with rapid and intensive overview of the research and also allows for more in-depth discussion among presenters and with the audience.

To facilitate the smooth transfer from one presentation to the next, ISP Sessions include a computer and a digital projector. There will be no overhead projector or slide projector available in ISP sessions.

Poster Presentation
• Session consists of posters exhibited for informal browsing with opportunities for individual discussion with poster authors
• 15 to 30 posters per session
• AV consists of 4’ x 8’ poster boards only
• Abstract submission deadline: October 31, 2007

Use the poster format for your presentation when your material can easily be communicated visually. Each presentation should make a unified, coherent statement. Materials, both textual and visual, should be of professional quality and be clearly legible from a distance of 4’. Graphic materials will be displayed on a 4’ x 8’ poster board supplied by the AAG.

Text should be limited to brief statements. Presentations consisting mostly of text are most appropriate as paper presentations.

Nystrom Award Papers
• Abstract submission deadline: September 27, 2007

Papers submitted for the J. Warren Nystrom Award must be based on a recent dissertation in geography. Eligibility for this award is restricted to persons who have received their Ph.D. since April 2005 and who were full members of the AAG in 2005, 2006, and 2007. The Nystrom Awards are made from a fund established by J. Warren Nystrom, former executive director of the AAG.

Guidelines for submitting papers for this award differ substantially from those for other papers. Applicants for Nystrom awards should review details online at http://www.aag.org/Grantsawards/nystrom.cfm well before the September 27 deadline.

ABSTRACTS
Everyone who presents a paper, illustrated paper, or poster presentation must submit an abstract of no more than 250 words that describes the presentation’s purpose, methods, and conclusions. Please be sure to include keywords (see abstract instructions). All abstracts must be submitted online after you have registered for the conference.
Your abstract will not be edited; you are responsible for any spelling, grammatical, and typographical errors. Use the active voice for your abstract and presentation. Transmit your research results clearly and concisely. Avoid jargon.

Submission of an abstract grants the AAG permission to include it in the meeting abstract compilation and to disseminate it electronically.

ORGANIZED SESSIONS

Individuals, groups, and specialty groups may organize sessions at the AAG Annual Meeting. Organized Sessions are a great way to bring distant colleagues together to discuss current research and to advance your field.

• Each session may list up to two organizers and one chair in the program
• Paper Sessions consist of 5 papers or 4 papers and a discussant. Each paper is expected to conform to the 20-minute time limit.
• Illustrated Paper Sessions consist of 8 to 12 illustrated papers. Refer to the illustrated paper guidelines for information on format.
• Panel Sessions consist of 4-6 participants. These sessions are 100-minute discussions among the panel and audience members. Formal presentations are not to be part of panel sessions.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

ORGANIZED SESSIONS

If you choose not to participate in a pre-organized session, the AAG Program Committee will place your paper into the most germane session available. Every year the committee organizes over 1,000 loose abstracts into the most cohesive sessions possible. Please choose your topics and keywords carefully to help steer your paper into the best session.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Anyone interested in the advancement of geography may participate in our annual meeting.

You are eligible to give a presentation or participate in other capacities in the program provided you are registered for the meeting. You do not need to be an AAG member to register.

Eligible participants may present only one paper, illustrated paper, interactive short paper, or poster presentation. Participation in the program as a session chair, discussant, panelist, non-presenting co-author, session organizer, workshop organizer, or field trip organizer or leader does not affect your eligibility to present a paper, poster, interactive short paper, or illustrated paper. Anyone who participates in more than two events runs the risk of time conflicts that staff will not be able to resolve.

REQUIRED FEES

All participants, except non-attending co-authors, must pay the appropriate participation fee before submitting an abstract. Annual meeting registration fees may be paid online.

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Everyone who presents a paper, poster, interactive short paper, or illustrated paper must submit an abstract. Your abstract may not exceed 250 words and must be submitted online after you pay your meeting registration fee. The abstract must describe the presentation's purpose, methods, and conclusions.

Please notice and adhere to the following format instructions for the body of the abstract:

• Do not put your name and affiliation in the body of the abstract.
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Guide to Selecting Keywords for your Abstract

Keywords may be compound (such as "political geography"). Keywords should generally be nouns instead of adjectives or adverbs. Do not use abbreviations. In creating your keywords, try to think of how someone might want to search for your topic in the abstract volume.

If your presentation is about color cartography, an appropriate keyword might be "cartography-color." Under no circumstance can you use a comma within a keyword.

Make certain your geography is not too specific. For example, suppose your paper is about southwestern Kentucky. A user of the abstract volume interested in Kentucky is going to search under the letter "K" instead of "S." Therefore, use either "Kentucky" or "Kentucky-southwest" as a keyword.

In referring to a systematic sub field, do use the word "geography." Use "economic geography" as the keyword and not "economic." If you have a choice between the plural and the singular form, use the plural. If your keyword could be "race" or "races," use "races."

SAMPLE: Keywords: cartography, atlases, United States

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All the political brouhaha about immigration policies in the U.S. has made me reflect on my own experiences as an immigrant. Mine is in a way a story that is typical of immigrants who are now in higher education: I came to the U.S. to pursue graduate studies, knew right away that university teaching was my calling, and endured a few detours before I joined this wonderful profession. What is perhaps not unique in such a story is this: I am an immigrant in geography too!!

Many of my students, and sometimes colleagues in other disciplines, are often amused that I am a faculty member of the geography department even though none of my degrees is actually in geography. I earned my undergraduate degree in electrical engineering from the University of Madras, in India, and my masters and doctoral degrees are in urban and regional planning from the University of Southern California. To add to the twist, before coming to Western Oregon University, I was teaching in California in the economics department at California State University-Bakersfield, where I directed a multidisciplinary program in environmental resource management.

As much as I was an immigrant to the U.S.—I am a naturalized citizen now—I find that I am an immigrant in geography, too. And, I suppose I am now a “naturalized geographer.” The breadth of geography automatically makes it a wonderful home to intellectual immigrants like me who are in search of one. The more I spend time in geography, the more I am convinced that I could not find a better academic home, which is similar to the warm feelings I have about America too. In fact, the discipline is such a home that sometimes I forget that I am a naturalized geographer and not a native one, just as I tend to forget that I am a naturalized citizen of the U.S.

Interestingly enough, while it is the accent that always gives it away that I am not a “native” citizen, every once in a while my “accented” geography comes across in interesting ways. The most common one is when I am asked, say at an AAG conference, “so, where did you get your PhD?” It becomes difficult for me to hide the fact that I am an immigrant in geography, even though I could easily get away with the partial truth that I worked with Jennifer Wolch and Michael Dear at USC—though they are now with the geography department, at that time they were affiliated with the School of Urban and Regional Planning, which is where I was a doctoral student!

Thus, after all these fantastic immigrant experiences in America and in academe, and as I watch the immigration debate, I am thinking that I could have easily been considered to be an academic “illegal” because I lack the “true” paper—a PhD diploma in geography. I am bemused at the thought that my “visa” (job) application could have been rejected solely because of that single criterion. Perhaps, and even worse, faced deportation. Of course, deportation is not even a remote possibility in both the legal and academic contexts— I have been a citizen of the U.S. for several years now, and am a citizen in geography, thanks to my tenured status in the department here. For my naturalization in geography, I owe a big thanks to my colleagues, who told me after the hiring decision that they were looking for somebody who would “color outside the lines”, which is truly reflective of the all-embracing discipline.

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It was, therefore, no surprise that such an experience should be reflected in a subsequent hiring. A couple of years ago, thanks to a sabbatical and course releases, we needed to hire a full-time adjunct and, naturally, the advertisement did not restrict the eligibility to those with masters or PhDs in geography, but instead left it open with the phrase “in geography or related fields.” Yes, we made it official: we welcome immigrants to geography.

Geography and geographers have been welcoming to this immigrant in other ways, too. For the last couple of years I have been serving as the editor of Pacifica, which is the biannual publication from the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers (APCG)—a regional division of the AAG. And, a few weeks ago I received an email from the AAG that I have been selected to serve a three-year term on the AAG’s Committee for College Geography and Careers. I suppose geography has truly been a land of opportunities.

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The AAG invites brief opinion pieces highlighting the contributions of geographical analysis to the understanding of important public issues and events. Submissions are encouraged from across the full breadth of the discipline. These pieces reflect opinions of contributing AAG members and do not represent an official AAG position on any issue. Op-ed pieces must be consistent with the AAG ethics policy and will be published on a space available basis. Send submissions of no more than 750 words to newsletter@aag.org.

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Call for Papers

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Open House International is a refereed scholarly journal concerned with housing, design, and development in the built environment that publishes articles on theories, tools, and practices that emphasize the local scale. For this special issue, the editors invite a range of interdisciplinary explorations that will offer new perspectives and new insights, explore alternative theoretical models, and offer proposals that construct new meanings of home, migration, and the city in a globalizing world. A particular focus will be placed on globalizing cities of the South undergoing rapid change. The full length of the manuscripts is 4000 words. Submit a 1000-word abstract and a 150-word author bio by July 31, 2007 by email to special issue guest editor Ayona Datta of the London School of Economics at datta2@lse.ac.uk. Visit the website at http://www.openhouse-int.com.

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The Pennsylvania Geographer

The Pennsylvania Geographer, journal of the Pennsylvania Geographical Society, requests the submission of manuscripts for its fall/winter 2007 edition. Papers dealing with any geographic topic will be considered, but the theme of the coming issue will be “water resources.” Deadline for submission is August 15, 2007. Manuscripts or inquiries may be sent to William B. Kory, Editor, or Gregory Faiers, Associate Editor, Geography Department, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Johnstown, PA 15904. Email: koryupi@pitt.edu.

Writing the Earth: Rhetorics and Literacies of Sustainability

Essay proposals are invited for a collection titled Writing the Earth: Rhetorics and Literacies of Sustainability. The volume will be edited by Peter N. Goggin. This collection invites scholars of literacy and rhetoric (in English studies and elsewhere) to answer the challenge to place sustainability at the forefront of research and teaching in the humanities. The range and possibility for topics in this collection is wide, but papers must address sustainability through lenses of literacy and/or rhetorical theory.

Please send your proposal of between 250 and 500 words, plus a CV, as electronic attachments in MSWord format to Peter Goggin at goggin1@asu.edu by September 30, 2007. For more information contact Peter N. Goggin, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Arizona State University, Box 870302, Tempe, AZ 85287-0302.

The Industrial Geographer

The Industrial Geographer encourages submissions of theoretically-driven, empirical research as well as solid, industry-focused and place-based case studies. Please consult the journal web site at http://igeographer.lib.indstate.edu for author guidelines. Full manuscripts should not exceed 5,000 words. Research notes under 2,500 words are also welcome. Two issues are published annually. Individuals interested in organizing a special issue should contact the editors. For more information visit: http://igeographer.lib.indstate.edu or contact editors William Graves (bgraves@uncc.edu) or Ron Kalafsky (kalafsky@utk.edu).
John Agnew, professor of geography and vice president of the AAG, has been awarded a 2007 Distinguished Teaching Award at UCLA. The award recognizes those teachers who, in the eyes of a university-wide Committee on Teaching, meet the highest standards in instruction at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Agnew has taught in the UCLA Department of Geography since 1996.

At Dartmouth College, Richard Wright has been appointed the Orvil Dryfoos Professor of Geography and Public Affairs, and Mona Domosh has been appointed the Joan P. and Edward J. Foley, Jr. 1933 Professor of Geography.

Dawn Wright, professor of geography and oceanography at Oregon State University, delivered the commencement address for the University of California-Santa Barbara College of Letters and Science, Division of Mathematical, Life, and Physical Sciences, on June 16, 2007. Wright has been nominated by Oregon State University for U.S. Professor of the Year, an award presented by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Craig Colten has been appointed Interim Chair of the Department of Geography and Anthropology at Louisiana State University. Other recent appointments at LSU include Jill Brody as Fred B. Kniffen Professor, Patrick Hesp as Richard J. Russell Professor, and Robert G. Tague as James J. Parsons Professor.

The Illinois Geographical Society has honored David Schein of the Chicago office of the Federal Emergency Management Agency with its 2007 Distinguished Geographer Award, the highest honor the society presents. The award recognizes Schein’s many years of service to both the discipline of geography and the Illinois Geographical Society, including three years as IGS Executive Council. Schein works on floodplain hazard mitigation in the Midwest.

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Ward J. Barrett
Ward J. Barrett, Professor Emeritus of Geography, University of Minnesota, died on June 13, 2007. Ward was a graduate of Columbia College (BA 1948), Columbia University (MA 1949), and the University of California-Berkeley (PhD 1959). He taught courses on Latin America and Oceania, and was a specialist on the historical economic geography of Mexico. Ward was 79.

John Graham Rice
John Graham Rice, Professor Emeritus of Geography, University of Minnesota, died on 18 February 2007 at the age of 73. He was a graduate of Oberlin College (AB 1956), the University of Washington (MA 1959), and Uppsala University in Sweden (1965). Rice’s specialties included Northern Europe and population geography.

Dewey Marion Stowers
Dewey Marion Stowers Jr., Professor Emeritus of the University of South Florida Department of Geography, passed away on May 6, 2007 in Tampa, Florida. He died at the age of 79 following a long illness.

He was a former Chair of USF’s Geography Department, he is credited with developing the Department’s meteorology laboratory. Stowers was known widely in the community for his education efforts on subtropical weather patterns in Florida.

Stowers was a founding member of the local chapter of the American Meteorological Society, and many students currently employed in weather forecasting in Florida worked under his direction. Stowers’ publications range across a number of measurable weather phenomena in peninsular Florida, from sea breezes to hurricanes to urban heat islands. Stowers was also known for his expertise on the 19th-century cultural geography of the American West.

C. Barron McIntosh
C. Barron McIntosh, Professor Emeritus of Geography at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, died recently following a long battle with cancer. Born in Edgemont, South Dakota in 1916, McIntosh graduated from Huron College in 1939 and taught in Sandhills high schools until 1949. He also served in the U.S. Navy. McIntosh was appointed Assistant Professor of Geography at the University of Nebraska in 1958 and he remained there for the rest of his professional life.


Michael J. Troughton
Michael J. Troughton, Professor of Geography at the University of Western Ontario from 1964 to 2005, died on Saturday, March 10, 2007, after a short battle with cancer. Troughton was born in Leeds, Yorkshire, and educated at Pembroke College, Oxford. He was the second doctoral graduate in Geography from The University of Western Ontario. He published over 80 papers in refereed journals, books and conference proceedings that dealt primarily with Canadian agriculture, the rural landscape, and the sustainability of rural environments.

Troughton was active in the Canadian Association of Geographers and organized many special sessions on Agriculture and Rural Resources. He served as CAG President in 1992-93 and as Vice-Chair of the Canadian National IGU Committee between 1985 and 1988. Although his research was primarily in Ontario and Canada, he was an international leader in the development of Agricultural Geography. Troughton received the AAG CARLU Speciality Group’s J. Fraser Hart Award for research excellence in 1993. The longest serving member of the Geography Department at the University of Western Ontario, Troughton supervised 29 graduate theses with many former students going on to careers in academe, conservation and rural planning.

Troyt Button York
Troyt B. York, founder and president of the American Institute of Urban and Regional Affairs, passed away recently in Rockville, Maryland at the age of 72. York dedicated his career to urban planning and sustainable development for growing U.S. cities. Memorial contributions may be made to the Troyt York Scholarship Fund, Department of Geography, Eastern Illinois University, 600 Lincoln Avenue, Charleston, Illinois 61920.
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CALIFORNIA, REDLANDS 92373. The University of Redlands announces tenure-track, open rank faculty positions in GIS. These positions are part of a university-wide GIS initiative and will include teaching at the undergraduate level and in the University’s internationally-known Masters of Science in Geographic Information Systems Program. The MS GIS Program is an intensive, year-round, professional masters program with an applied orientation.

These positions are 10-month, full-time, tenure-track positions, with the off months dependent on specialty and negotiated with the Director. Speciality areas within GIS are open, but should complement existing strengths, foci in statistical analysis, remote sensing, urban GIS or web-based GIS are especially desirable. Successful candidates will demonstrate excellent teaching qualifications and, preferably, have experience teaching GIS at the upper-division or graduate university level, including supervision of advanced student projects and master’s theses. Candidates who are ABD will be considered, but a PhD is required at time of appointment.

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2. A part-time Lecturer position in Geography. Applications for the part-time lecturer position in Geography at the University of North Florida are being considered. The successful candidate will have a Ph.D. degree in Geography. Experience with GIS is required. Applicants must apply online at http://www.unfjobs.org and in addition submit in paper form a letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, transcripts, at least 3 letters of recommendation, teaching evaluations, and a sample of scholarship. Applications must be postmarked by September 30, 2007 in order to be considered. CONTACT: Dr. Sharon Cobb, Chair, Geography Search Committee, Department of Economics and Geography, University of North Florida, 1 UNF Drive, Jacksonville, Florida 32224. E-mail scobb@unf.edu Telephone: (904) 620-2640.

IDAHO, TWIN FALLS 83303. The Physical Science Department at the College of Southern Idaho seeks applications for an adjunct instructor to teach an introductory Geographic Information Systems (GIS) class beginning in August 2007. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching lecture and lab at the assigned level. A master's degree in geography or GIS is preferred. A bachelor's degree in geography, cartography, GIS, or the environmental sciences will be considered. Two years minimum full-time experience in GIS is also required.

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INIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46202. Geography Lecturer. The Department of Geography at Indiana University—Purdue University, Indianapolis (IUPUI) invites applications for a full-time lecturer position beginning August 2007. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching introductory courses in human and physical geography with opportunities for upper division teaching consistent with their area of expertise. Minimum qualifications: masters degree in Geography, evidence of effective teaching experience.

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The candidate selected will hold a Doctoral Degree in a relevant discipline with credentials sufficient for appointment to the faculty in an appropriate academic department, have demonstrated leadership skills and an ability to mobilize support for internationalization goals, have successful administrative experience in managing staff and budgets, will have excellent interpersonal skills, will have international living, study abroad, research, and/or work experience, and will be a US Citizen or permanent resident (to permit institutional management of visa programs).

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Applications for employment will be accepted electronically only. Candidates interested in this position should send a letter of interest...
KENTUCKY, BOWLING GREEN 42101
Western Kentucky University, Visiting Assistant Professor, Geography and GIS. The Department of Geography and Geology at Western Kentucky University invites applications for a one-year, full-time Visiting Lecturer position beginning August 15th, 2007. We seek a colleague who is broadly educated in geology/physical geography and who can contribute to the various missions of the Department. Candidates with direct experience in any aspect of hydrology are encouraged to apply. Candidates must exhibit a commitment to excellence in teaching, and will participate in courses for general education, and courses for undergraduate and graduate geoscience majors.

**Visiting Lecturer in Geology/Physical Geography.** We also invite online applications (www.eku.edu) for a one-year visiting Lecturer position beginning August 15th, 2007. We seek a colleague who is broadly educated in geosciences to participate in the general education mission of the Department. This is a teaching position comprised of five classes in both the fall and spring semesters; however, there are no research or service expectations.

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The successful candidate will have a doctorate; be eligible for tenure in one of the academic disciplines within SOES; demonstrate a record of achievement in research, extramural funding, and teaching; and will have strong administrative and supervisory skills. Qualified persons should submit a letter of intent, a current curriculum vitae, and the names of three references who will be contacted only with the explicit permission of the candidate. Nominations are welcomed. Review of applications and nominations will begin May 1, 2007, and will continue until the position is filled.

Apply: All correspondence will be held in confidence and should be mailed or emailed to: Dr. Rex Gandy, Dean, The University of Southern Mississippi, College of Science and Technology, 118 College Drive, #5165, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-0001, e-mail: rex.gandy@usm.edu. Phone: 601.465.4883

The University of Southern Mississippi is an equal opportunity employer; diversity is highly valued. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply. Visit the Southern Miss Web site at http://www.usm.edu. AA/EOE/ADA

JUN 07-129

NEBRASKA, LINCOLN 68583.
The National Drought Mitigation Center at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln invites applications for a Data Mining/Geospatial Analyst position. The individual shall assist a multi-disciplinary research team in the development of new modeling techniques and applications for drought monitoring. Primary responsibility will be to work with climate and remote sensing experts to investigate new data mining techniques and/or other statistical methods for developing enhanced drought monitoring tools. The individual will evaluate data mining literature and available software packages and test new techniques for drought monitoring, customize existing software packages or develop new data mining algorithms, and assist in the development of techniques to visualize the drought modeling results and web-based tools to disseminate the information to the public. The individual will also work with researchers to investigate new remote sensing inputs and other geospatial data sets for drought monitoring.

Applicants should have a Bachelor's degree with experience or a Master's degree in climatology, meteorology, natural resources, geography, computer science, statistics, remote sensing or GIS, environmental science, or related field. A strong emphasis on applied experience in the above fields is preferred. Candidates with experience in statistical modeling for environmental applications, GIS, remote sensing, time-series analysis, database exploration, and/or computer programming are preferred. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Apply: For further information and to apply, go to http://employment.unl.edu and select Search Job Openings, enter Requisition Number 070347, and apply for this posting. Review of applications will begin June 1, 2007, and continue until a successful candidate is identified or the search is closed.

JUN 07-132

*NEW YORK, BUFFALO 14222.
Geography and Planning, Assistant Professor.
Buffalo State College, tenure-track assistant professor, Geography and Planning Department, to begin September 1, 2008. Competitive salary. Responsibilities: Revitalize human geography concentration. Develop new courses, conduct active research program. Teach three courses per semester, with the option of teaching summer courses. Required Qualifications: Specialty in economic geography. Ph.D. in geography. Ability to teach business GIS applications and Introduction to Urban Geography courses. Proven college teaching experience. Ability to develop new courses in field of specialty. Preferred Qualifications: Teaching and research interest in topics in economic geography on e-commerce, telecommunications, information economy, globalization, global, and developing country economies. Ability to teach world and regional geography courses. Expertise in obtaining external research funding. Demonstrated track record of professional publications. Ability to collaborate with the Center for Health and Social Research.

Application deadline August 1, 2007. Send letter of application, CV, and contact information for 3 professional references to: Kim Irvine, Chair, Geography and Planning Dept., Buffalo State College, HA 213, 1300 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14222-1095. For more information about the college, visit www.buffalostate.edu.

Buffalo State is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.

JUAG 07-154-1

*NORTH CAROLINA, CHARLOTTE.
The Center for Applied Geographic Information Science at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte seeks a Post-doctoral Researcher in Spatial Modeling of Human-Environment Interactions. We seek a post-doctoral associate whose research interests focus on the spatial dimensions of human-environment interactions, with emphasis on urbanizing metropolitan regions. Supported by state funding to the Center for Applied GIS, this position will contribute to research on the application of advanced geospatial concepts and technologies to social and environmental problems. A wide range of research topics are appropriate for investigation in this position.

Qualified candidates will possess a multidisciplinary background applicable to the understanding of environmental and human systems, such as work in environmental geography, landscape ecology, land-use change dynamics, urban and regional planning, conservation planning, sustainable development, and/or environmental management and policy. Strong quantitative and spatial modeling skills are required. Experience with field methods and integration of field data with GIS and remote sensing data for multi-scale spatial analysis is desired. Evidence of strong publication potential and ability to generate external funding is essential.

Salary and Benefits: $40,000 per year, student health benefits, plus $10,000 annual budget for research and travel.

This position will be located at UNC Charlotte in the Center for Applied Geographic Information Science (www.gis.uncc.edu) with an appointment of 2 to 4 years pending performance. As part of a rapidly growing research university, the Center is integrally involved in several federally funded projects in both basic and applied GIScience research ranging from modeling impacts of urban growth on the environment to predicting the spread of emerging infectious disease.

Apply: Applicants should apply electronically with curriculum vitae, a statement of research interests, and the names of three references to Dr. Ross Meentemeyer at rkmeente@uncc.edu. Include “Center Post-Doc Search” in the subject line. Review of applications will begin on September 15, 2007 and will remain open until a suitable candidate is identified. Start date is negotiable. For more information, please contact Dr. Meentemeyer by email. UNC Charlotte is an AA/EOE.

JUAG 07-158
OHIO, AKRON 44325-5005.
The University of Akron. The Department of Geography and Planning invites applications for two positions to begin August 2007.

(1) Full time, tenure track Assistant Professor.
The ideal candidate will have education and/or experience in both planning and geotechniques. The department is particularly interested in candidates with strengths and interests in the following areas: land use, environmental, or community planning; community outreach and internships; regional economic development; and applications of geographic information science technologies. We seek an academic planner with a strong orientation towards research and the ability to teach courses in planning and geotechniques at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. The successful candidate is expected to pursue an active program of scholarly research, publication, and external grant funding. Preference will be given to candidates with prior university-level teaching experience and scholarly publications. A Ph.D. in planning or closely allied discipline is preferred at time of appointment; an ABD nearing completion may be considered.

(2) Full time Visiting Assistant Professor. One year appointment with possibility of renewal. The ideal candidate will have ability and interest to teach in two or more of the following areas: GIS; remote sensing; physical and environmental geography; spatial analysis; field research methods. The successful candidate will teach undergraduate and graduate-level courses in geography and geotechniques. Prior university-level teaching experience in geography is required; a proven record of research and scholarly publications is preferred. A Ph.D. in geography is preferred at time of appointment; ABD will be considered.

The department has strengths in geographical and planning methodologies, cartography and GIS, urban/regional planning, and human and regional geography. It offers a BA degree with emphases in geography and planning, a BS degree in geography/geographic information sciences, an MA in geography, an MS in geography/geographic information sciences, and an MA in geography/urban planning (http://www.uakron.edu/geography/). Applicants should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and two letters of reference. Review of applications will begin May 15, 2007, but applications will continue to be reviewed until the position is filled.

Apply: Dr. Mark de Socio, Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Geography and Planning, Voice: 330-972-8309. Email: desocio@uakron.edu. Inquiries may be directed to the chair of the search committee. Electronic submissions will be accepted.

The University of Akron is committed to a policy of equal employment opportunity and to the principles of affirmative action in accordance with state and federal laws.

JUN 07-133

*OKLAHOMA, NORMAN 73019.*
The Department of Geography at the University of Oklahoma invites applications for a nine-month, tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Physical Geography, beginning August 16, 2008. Ph.D. required at time of appointment. Salary commensurate with experience.

The Department of Geography seeks a broadly trained physical geographer with research interests in fluvial geomorphology, soils, or hydro-climatology. Research and teaching in environmental conservation with a regional interest in the Great Plains or other semi-arid regions preferred. The University and the College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences provides collaborative opportunities with the School of Meteorology and National Weather Center programs, ConocoPhillips School of Geology and Geophysics, and Departments of Life Science. The candidate must engage in both graduate and undergraduate education programs, including introductory courses.

Letters of application should include a statement of teaching experience and goals and a C.V. and the names and contact information for three referees. Applicants must also provide an outline of their current and continuing research program including potential for extramural funding. The University of Oklahoma is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Review of applications will begin October 15, 2007 and continue until the position is filled.

Apply by email to Dr. Bruce Hoagland (bhoagland@ou.edu), Committee Chair, Department of Geography, The University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 73019.

JUAG 07-159

*OREGON, EUGENE 97403-1201.*
University of Oregon. Director for the Center for the Study of Women in Society and tenured associate or full professor. Three-year renewable appointment as CSWS Director beginning as early as September 2008. The Director's academic appointment will be .5 FTE in CSWS and .5 FTE in an appropriate department, program, and/or college. Search # 7133. See (http://csws.uoregon.edu/home/intro.shtml) for full description of CSWS and see (http://csws.uoregon.edu/home/jobs.shtml) for a list of the 16 potential academic tenure-home units which includes geography.

Qualifications: Ph.D.; evidence of excellence in research and teaching on women and gender; familiarity with the breadth of feminist scholarship and theory; demonstrable appreciation of interdisciplinary scholarship, of interconnections among gender, race, class, ethnicity, and sexual identity, and of the internationalization of gender research. Significant administrative experience, and/or record of securing support for academic research or programs inside or outside academia preferred.

Applicants should include a letter describing relevant research, teaching, administrative, and funding experience as well as future plans in these areas; curriculum vitae; copies of significant publications; evidence of teaching excellence; names of three people who could provide letters of reference. Send materials to: CSWS Director Search, 340 Hendricks Hall, University of Oregon 97403-1201. Review of materials will begin September 24, 2007. Search will remain open until a successful candidate is chosen. Candidates who promote and enhance diversity are strongly desired.

JUAG 07-156

TEEN ESEE, OAK RIDGE 37831.
Postgraduate Positions, Research Associates in Geospatial Science and Technology.

The Geographic Information Science and Technology (GIST) Group at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory's (ORNL) Computational Sciences and Engineering Division (CSE) has been a leader in the development, implementation and application of systems, science and technology for geographic information over the last four decades. The mission of GIST is to support national energy, environmental, and security programs through research, development, and application of geospatial modeling, simulation, analysis, and visualization systems.

GIST is currently seeking highly qualified candidates for one or more postgraduate research positions. The successful candidates will perform basic and applied research within the field of geographic information science, with special emphasis in geospatial modeling and simulation technologies that are directly related to GIST’s mission. The successful candidate must be flexible with regard to research assignments, able to collaborate with other scientists and sponsors, and capable of producing significant research results. The candidate should show initiative in investigating, creating and developing new spatial algorithms and computational methods for project advancement. The successful candidate will be expected to be innovative and creative in the developing of new research ideas and to participate in the proposals development process for potential funding of research projects.

Educational background, expertise, and demonstrated research experience in one or
more of the following areas: Remote Sensing and Image Processing, Geospatial applications in Public Health, Spatial methods in Population Geography or Demography, Disaster and Hazards Management, Geospatial Application Software Development. Experience with commercial GIS (ESRI software including ArcView, ArcGIS) and remote sensing (ERDAS Imagine, ENVI, ERMapper). Programming skills in a language such as C, C++, Java, VB or various application languages is desirable. Knowledge of parallel computing will be an added advantage. Candidates should have excellent communications skills, including a record of scientific publications, and a desire to work in an applied research environment.

Minimum level of education required: Master's Degree. Required disciplines: (up to 3) Earth and Geosciences, Computer Sciences, Social and Behavioral Sciences. Other Requirements: (specify) Strong understanding of GIS and remote sensing principles, and geospatial data modeling, analysis, and visualization techniques to solve challenging research problems in land use modeling, energy and natural resources studies, hydrologic modeling, population distribution modeling, emergency and consequence management, and transportation studies.

Apply: For immediate consideration, please see the Web site for postings and links to the online application http://www.orau.gov/orise/edu/ornl/postneeds.htm (which is linked to http://jobs.ornl.gov). Please reference the position title and number (ORNL07-36-CSED) when corresponding about this position. This appointment is offered through the ORNL Postmasters Research Participation Program and is administered by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE). The program is open to all qualified U.S. and non-U.S. citizens without regard to race, color, age, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental disability, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran or disabled veteran.

JUN 07-141

*TEXAS, RICHARDSON 75083
The University of Texas at Dallas. Geospatial Information Sciences Specialist.

The University of Texas at Dallas seeks an established geospatial scientist to play a lead role in its program. Any field of specialization within this area will be considered. Candidates need a PhD degree, a significant record of teaching, research, and public service, and the ability to help bring the program to national and international eminence. The possibility of assuming headship of the program exists but is not a requirement. This is an exceptional opportunity for an individual energized by a unique multidisciplinary environment.

The PhD program in Geospatial Information Sciences, which commenced in Fall 2005, is offered jointly by the School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences, the Department of Geosciences in the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and the Department of Computer Science in the Eric Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science. A joint Master of Science in Geographical Information Sciences, Graduate Certificates in Geographic Information Systems and Remote Sensing, and a Bachelor of Arts in Geography with GIS emphasis are also offered.

UTD is located in the suburbs of north Dallas amid one of the largest and most vibrant high-technology concentrations in the nation. For more information, go to the School's web site at: http://www.utdallas.edu/ and the program web site at http://www.gis.utdallas.edu/.

Apply: Inquiries regarding the search may be directed to Dr. Brian J.L. Berry, Dean, School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences. Nominations and applications should be sent to: Academic Search #30004, The University of Texas at Dallas, P. O. Box 830688—AD 42, Richardson, TX 75083-0688, and should include a current curriculum vita and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of five references. Indication of sex and ethnicity for affirmative action and statistical purposes is requested, but not required. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. UTD is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and strongly encourages applications from candidates who would enhance the diversity of the faculty.

SEP 07-169-1

*TEXAS, SAN MARCOS 78666-4616
Texas State University-San Marcos. Tenure-track, Assistant Professor, beginning Fall 2008, with expertise in water resources. PhD in Geography required. Demonstrated record of excellence in teaching and research is essential, including experience that illustrates a strong ability to teach water resources and in at least one of the following secondary areas: biogeography, riparian/fluvial systems, and/or hydrology. The successful candidate will play a major role within the department's graduate and undergraduate programs in environmental geography, including supervision of doctoral students. The department has 30 full-time faculty members serving BA, BS, MS, Master of Applied Geography, and PhD programs. The department houses the James and Marilyn Lovell Center for Environmental Geography and Hazards Research, and the university houses the interdisciplinary River Systems Institute which conducts research and service activities in water-related fields.

Deadline for receipt of applications (via regular mail or electronically) is October 1, 2007. Applicants are to submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and the names and contact information of three references. Applicants are encouraged to submit reprints of published work and examples of course evaluations. Texas State is an equal opportunity educational institution and as such does not discriminate because of race, color, creed or religion, sex, national origin, age, physical or mental handicaps, or status as a disabled or Vietnam era veteran. Texas State is committed to increasing the diversity of its faculty. Texas State University-San Marcos is a member of the Texas State University System.

Apply: Dr. Philip W. Suckling, Professor and Chair, Department of Geography. Voice: 512-245-2170. Fax: 512-245-8353. E-mail: ps3q@txstmail.tamu.edu.

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*TEXAS, SAN MARCOS 78666-4616.
Texas State University-San Marcos. Tenure-track, Assistant Professor, beginning Fall 2008, with expertise in water resources. PhD in Geography required. Demonstrated record of excellence in teaching and research is essential, including experience that illustrates a strong ability to teach water resources and in at least one of the following secondary areas: biogeography, riparian/fluvial systems, and/or hydrology. The successful candidate will play a major role within the department's graduate and undergraduate programs in environmental geography, including supervision of doctoral students. The department has 30 full-time faculty members serving BA, BS, MS, Master of Applied Geography, and PhD programs. The department houses the James and Marilyn Lovell Center for Environmental Geography and Hazards Research, and the university houses the interdisciplinary River Systems Institute which conducts research and service activities in water-related fields.

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**WISCONSIN, LA CROSSE 54601.** Department of Geography and Earth Science, University of Wisconsin – La Crosse, Assistant Professor, full-time tenure track appointment in Physical Geography, beginning fall 2008. Ph.D. in geography required at time of appointment. Primary teaching responsibilities include introductory physical geography/earth science and upper level classes in soil morphology and genesis, geomorphology, and geoarchaeology. Knowledge of GIS applications in physical geography is desirable. The appointee is expected to be an inspirational teacher, develop an active research program seeking external grants, vigorously engage students in undergraduate research, and provide service to the University and broader community. Salary is commensurate with experience.

Applications must include a signed letter expressing interest in this position and detailing your qualifications, a current vita, a philosophy of teaching statement, three letters of reference, and a graduate transcript sent to Dr. Gregory Chu, Chair, Department of Geography and Earth Science, University of Wisconsin – La Crosse, La Crosse, WI 54601. Voice 608-785-8333, FAX 608-785-8332, e-mail chu.greg@uwlax.edu. For details of Department, its soils and GIS labs, visit www.uwlax.edu/geography/. Review of complete applications will begin on October 15, 2007 and continue until position is filled.

UW-La Crosse is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. Women, persons of color, and individuals with a disability are encouraged to apply. If you have a special need/accommodation to aid your participation in our hiring process, please contact the chair to make appropriate arrangements. Employment will require a criminal background check. A pending criminal charge or conviction will not necessarily disqualify an applicant. In compliance with the Wisconsin Fair Employment Act, the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse does not discriminate on the basis of arrest or conviction record.

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**INTERNATIONAL**

**CHINA, HONG KONG.** The University of Hong Kong. Research Assistant Professor in the School of Geography (Ref.: RF-2006/2007-721). Founded in 1911, The University of Hong Kong is committed to the highest international standards of excellence in teaching and research, and has been at the international forefront of academic scholarship for many years. Of a number of recent indicators of the University’s performance, one is its ranking at 33 among the top 200 universities in the world by the UK’s Times Higher Education Supplement. The University has a comprehensive track record of study programs and research disciplines, with 20,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students from 50 countries, and a complement of 1,200 academic members of staff, many of whom are internationally renowned.

Applications are invited for appointment as Research Assistant Professor in the School of Geography. The appointment will be made for a period of 3 years, from November 30, 2007 or earlier, to participate in a research project on the application on ecological economics to urban sustainability in Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta.

The School of Geography, established in 1954, is the first and leading geography department at university level in Hong Kong. It is presently staffed by 14 full-time faculty members, 1 Research Assistant Professor and 1 Post-doctoral Fellow. Enquiries about the post should be addressed to Professor G.C.S. Lin, Head of the School of Geography (email: gcslin@hkucc.hku.hk) or Mr. Tommy Liu, Departmental Executive Officer, School of Geography (email: twkluu@hkucc.hku.hk). Further information about the School can be obtained at http://geog.hku.hk.

Applications should have research experience in one or preferably more of the following fields of specialization: application of ecological economics to cities, valuation of nature in cities, and environmental benefits of ecosystem services in cities. A doctoral degree in Geography or a cognate discipline is required, plus at least 1 year’s postdoctoral research experience and a proven record of scholarly publications including international journal papers related to the above fields. The appointee should have the ability and willingness to conduct extensive and extended field work and questionnaire surveys independently in the Pearl River Delta area, and must be competent in the application of statistical and computing skills in geographical research.

Annual salary will be in the range of HK$487,320 – 593,100 (approximately US$1 = HK$ 7.8) (subject to review from time to time at the entire discretion of the University). At current rates, salaries tax does not exceed 16% of gross income. The appointment will attract a contract-end gratuity and University contribution to a retirement benefits scheme, totally up to 15% of basic salary, as well as leave, and medical/dental benefits.

Applicants should submit a completed application form, a curriculum vitae, a statement of professional interests and accomplishments, and arrange to have 3 confidential references sent directly by the referees to the Assistant Registrar (Appointments), Human Resource Section, Registry, The University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong.

Further particulars and application forms (272/302 amended) can be obtained at https://www.hku.hk/apptunit/; or from the Appointment Unit (Senior), Human Resource Section, Registry, The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (fax: (852) 2540 6730 or 2559 2058; e-mail senrnapp@hkucc.hku.hk). Closes September 21, 2007. Candidates who are not contacted within 3 months of the closing date may consider their applications unsuccessful.

The University is an equal opportunity employer.

SEP 07-160-1

**SWITZERLAND, ZURICH.** The Faculty of Science of the University of Zurich invites applications for the position of Full or Associate Professor of Economic Geography. Candidates should have demonstrated successful research and teaching experience and have an internationally recognized track record in Economic Geography. The newly appointed professor will lead the Economic Geography Division of the Department of Geography and will be responsible for its teaching program at the undergraduate and graduate level. We expect evidence of the ability to attract and direct substantial research projects and to collaborate with colleagues both within and beyond the discipline. The Department of Geography is a growing, internationally recognized department and is the largest in Switzerland.

The position will commence on 1 February 2009.

Applications received by 30 September 2007 will be guaranteed full consideration, but the committee is open to late applications of exceptional quality and will search until the position is filled. Applications, including a curriculum vitae, list of publications, and an outline of current and future research plans, should be sent to the Dean of the Faculty of Science at the following address: Prof. D. Wyler, Dean, Faculty of Science, University of Zurich, Winterthurerstrasse 190, CH-8057 Zurich, Switzerland. The full application package should also be submitted in a single PDF file to jobs@mnf.uzh.ch.

All inquiries about this position should be directed to Prof. Ulrike Müller-Böker, ulrike.mueller-boeker@geo.uzh.ch, Department of Geography, University of Zurich, Winterthurerstrasse 190, CH-8057 Zurich, Switzerland. The University of Zurich is an equal opportunity employer. Applications from women are particularly encouraged.

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The AAG welcomes the following new members.

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Bock, Laszlo, Washington, DC
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Rooke, Alison, London, England, United Kingdom
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Ruelle, Annamarie, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada
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Sandra, Soto-Bayó, San Juan, Puerto Rico
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Smith, Derek, Brooksville, Florida
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Vershowise, Leigh, Lake Wales, Florida
Vincenzi, Ivana, San Jose, California
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- **1-3.** AAG SouthWest Division Meeting. Texas A&M University. Bryan, Texas.
- **2-3.** AAG New England/St. Lawrence Valley Division Meeting. Southern Connecticut State University. New Haven, Connecticut. Contact Leon Yacher at yacher@southernct.edu.
- **8-10.** AAG West Lakes Division Meeting. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois. www.geog.uiuc.edu/aag/.

**OCTOBER**

- **17-20.** AAG Pacific Coast Division Meeting. Long Beach, California. www.csulb.edu/depts/geography/apcg/.
- **26.** AAG Mid-Atlantic Division Meeting. Greenbelt Maryland. www.gwu.edu/~madaag.

**DECEMBER**

- **13-14.** Mapping Global Inequality. University of California, Santa Cruz. Contact Ben Crow, Sociology, UC Santa Cruz. Email: bencrow@ucsc.edu.

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