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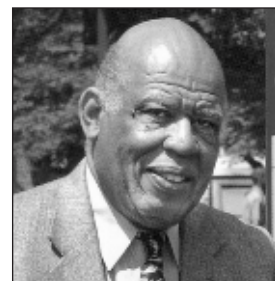


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AAG Co-sponsors Race/Ethnicity and Place Conference

Over the past two years, AAG Executive Director Doug Richardson and Orlando Taylor, Dean of the Graduate School at Howard University, have been working closely together to explore the expansion of geography's presence at this premier historically Black college. As one outcome of this effort, Howard University has agreed to co-sponsor with the AAG and Binghamton University a conference on Race/Ethnicity and Place to be held on the Howard University campus in Washington, DC, from September 17-19, 2004. This will create an exceptional opportunity for AAG members to learn from Howard University's long experience, and to bring leading geographic scholars and

researchers together with the Howard University community to showcase modern geography's relevance to the educational, research, and policy needs of minorities in American society.



Taylor

Dean Taylor has been most supportive of this joint effort, and has expressed a strong interest in working with the AAG in further developing geography programs at Howard. He recently attended the AAG Centennial Meeting in

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Denver: Site of AAG's 2005 Meeting

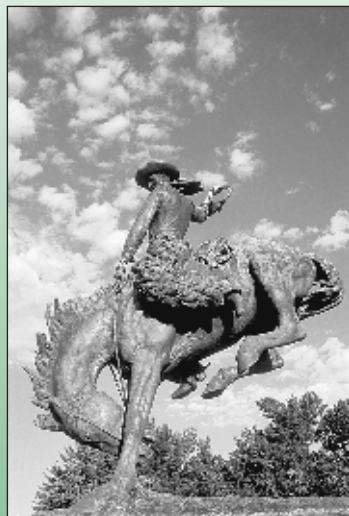
As Denver is the site of the 2005 AAG Annual Meeting, on behalf of the Local Arrangements Committee, I look forward to seeing you here next April. John Wyckoff at the University of Colorado-Denver and I are the co-chairs of this committee. This piece will kick off a series of informational articles about what you can expect to see and do while here for the AAG meeting. I'd like to dispel a few myths and present some information that perhaps you weren't aware of (although I realize that with geographers reading this, you're probably aware of most if not all of this information!).

First, Denver is not actually in the mountains, but just east of the Front Range of the Rockies. I remember my geography professor at the University of Colorado, years ago, proclaiming, "We're flatlanders, like the Kansans!" Because we're on the highest part of the Great Plains, Denver is flatter than most other American cities. It's not until one reaches Golden that the foothills begin, and

then rather abruptly, with an 8,000-foot vertical displacement along the Golden Fault. Ironically, it is upon this fault that the USGS National Earthquake Information Center is built. (Rest assured, this fault has been quite dormant for some time.) People living west of here really aren't flatlanders at all, but must contend with wildfire danger each year, just as those in the forested foothills in southern California.

Second, Denver is not snowbound for months upon end. Because Denver is on the leeward side of the Rocky Mountains, we live in a semiarid environment, with only 20 to 38 cm (8-15") of precipitation each year. We record 300 days of sunshine each year—more annual hours of sun than San Diego or Miami Beach. When we *do* get snow (such as the three feet we received in March 2003 and the six feet received in western Boulder County during the same storm), it typically melts quickly from our ample sunshine and from the warm Chinook winds blowing

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The statue "Bronco Buster" by Alexander Phimister Proctor, resides in Denver's downtown Civic Center Park.

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The "AAG Washington Monitor"

Executive Director's Note: With this column, I am pleased to introduce John Wertman, the AAG's new Director of Public Policy, and also to welcome you to this first edition of the "AAG Washington Monitor," a new feature of the AAG Newsletter designed to help keep AAG members up to date on current federal legislative activity related to geography, and more generally, to education and science policy.

John comes to the AAG from COSSA (the Consortium of Social Science Associations), where he lobbied and reported on a broad range of social science issues, including those pertaining to geography. John also has had experience working in both the White House and on Capitol Hill.

We welcome your feedback and suggestions as we evolve the "AAG Washington Monitor." We also hope that as part of this ongoing educational process, we will increase the awareness of federal activity important to geography and ultimately have an impact on these issues which so directly affect geography and geographers. Below is an introduction to a few of the issues we will be following in the coming months.

—DBR

Higher Education Act

The Higher Education Act (HEA), which was last revised in 1998, is currently up for reauthorization. First passed in 1965, the HEA is a crucial piece of legislation. It is wide reaching in scope and deals with many key higher education programs, including social and cultural barriers to higher education access, student loans, Pell Grants, teacher education grants, graduate student opportunities, and international education programs.

While the act expires this year, it appears increasingly likely that Congress won't finish the reauthorization process until 2005. Under this scenario, money could still be appropriated to existing HEA programs but needed revisions to the law would be forestalled for the time being. The congressional delay is due largely to the November elections, which have impeded action on several legislative fronts.

The House has progressed further along the reauthorization path than the Senate. Key representatives, including John Boehner (R-OH), Chairman of the Committee on Education and the Workforce, made the decision early on to split the major sections of the HEA into separate bills, including:

- Teacher loan forgiveness (H.R. 438—has passed the House)
- Teacher education/ preparation (H.R. 2211—has passed the House)
- Graduate opportunities: revamping the Javits Fellowships, the Thurgood Marshall Legal Opportunity Program, and Graduate Assistance in Areas on National Need (H.R. 3076—has passed the House)



Wertman

- International education programs: renewing most programs, but creating an advisory board to oversee curriculum and international education programs (H.R. 3077—has passed the House)
- Support for minority-serving institutions (H.R. 3180—pending in the House Committee on Education and the Workforce)
- College costs, federal student-aid programs, Pell Grants (H.R. 4283—was just introduced on May 5; the bill was referred to Boehner's committee, where hearings have already been held.)

In the Senate, the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions has held three hearings on issues related to the reauthorization. Despite this, Sen. Judd Gregg (R-NH), the HELP Committee Chairman, has yet to introduce comprehensive reauthorization legislation.

No Child Left Behind

On January 8, 2002, President Bush signed the No Child Left Behind (NCLB)

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Diversifying Geography

It is a real pleasure and honor to address you from this column for the coming year. I am looking forward to the learning that will come from my travels and conversations with my geography colleagues. For all of us, there are one or two exchanges with students or colleagues that we will always remember, who challenged and perhaps even changed, the ways we think. I am reminded of bell hooks' argument in *Teaching to Transgress* that we learn best when we are confronted with ideas that push us off-center, perhaps even make us uncomfortable. For me, my most memorable and productive learning moments are indeed exchanges involving disagreement, but also respectful engagement. These moments often arise from difference: differences in experience, background, identity or intellectual perspective. These are the moments and ideas that have most provoked me to think creatively and to question my assumptions. For me, the central importance of diversifying our discipline is that our work will be more thoughtful, more all-encompassing, and more fully examined.

There is always a tension in organizations and institutions between foregrounding the work of diversifying geography by setting it apart as a separate item on our 'to do' list versus incorporating this important commitment into every aspect of what we do. The AAG is currently doing both—highlighting diversity and focusing our energy in the diversity task force and at the same time, incorporating the values and goals of the task force into all of their initiatives. The AAG Diversity Task Force (Chair Joe Darden, Samuel Aryeetey-Attoh, Lawrence Estaville, Vicky Lawson, Ines Miyares, Todd Rogers, Catherine Souch, and Ray Sumner), together with Doug Richardson, Patricia Solís, and Michael Solem at AAG headquarters, are exploring a range of ways to enhance diversity among K-12, undergraduate, graduate students, and faculty in the discipline of geography.

And yet, in our ever-more busy lives, we cannot achieve all our goals if each and

every one is an add-on, an additional something that we must make time to do. Our success in diversifying geography depends upon our ability to fold this goal into everything that we do. Each of us can identify some specific opportunities that we already have to build diversity while simultaneously enhancing our own work (in teaching, research, professional activities) and most profoundly our own learning.

I encourage all of us to think about what we can do to accomplish the goal of diversifying geography. We will make the greatest impact on our discipline if we each think about a set of 'doable activities' that build on work we are already doing. For example, some colleagues are encouraging undergraduates to take advantage of student volunteer and paid activities at our meetings that can eliminate the cost of registration. These opportunities can bring under-represented students to our regional and national meetings and learn more about careers in geography. We can participate in conferences such as the Race/Ethnicity and Place Conference at Howard University this September which brings geographic research on these themes to a broad audience. We can also share information about grants and programs that are successful in enhancing diversity by contributing success stories, models, grant opportunities and so on to the AAG Online Diversity Clearinghouse which is soon to be launched.

Through our teaching we can encourage a diverse range of students in our lower-division classes to become majors and we can raise students' awareness about the range of career opportunities geography provides. We can also be teacher/mentors, recognizing individual students who will most benefit from our focused attention. Our teaching can also bring attention to the ways that physical,

environmental, social, or political processes across scales have systematic and linked effects upon specific groups in diverse places and societies. Our teaching can inspire students to examine these geographical and societal differences in our own communities and across the globe.

For those of us who work with the National Science Foundation, we can bring additional talent to our projects

while simultaneously being strategic about diversity. There are some very accessible possibilities for bringing under-represented undergraduate students into projects funded by the NSF. For example, the Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program is intended to expand student participation in research with the goal of

attracting "...a diversified pool of talented students into careers in science" (nsf.gov/home/crssprgm/reu). For researchers with a funded project, adding an REU is a streamlined process that brings new talent to the project, while also potentially supporting an under-represented undergraduate student who may then consider graduate school and a future in research or applied geographic work.

The new Research Experiences for Teachers (RET) program provides another exciting and equally accessible opportunity. Similar in approach to the REU described above, this program brings K-12 teachers onto our research teams. Teachers could be involved in, for example, summer research trips, and then take these experiences into their classrooms to convey the excitement and importance of geographic research. By incorporating teachers at schools with high percentages of under-represented students, we can broaden the range of students who hear first-hand about the research we are engaged in, getting them excited about a college education and the pursuit of geographic inquiry.

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Journals Commemorate the AAG Centennial with Special Issues

GeoJournal, an international journal on human geography and environmental sciences under the editorship of Max Barlow of Concordia University, has published a special issue focusing on the international impact and influence of American geography, to coincide with the AAG's 100th anniversary. Entitled "AAG@100," the recent *GeoJournal* issue (Volume 59, No. 1/2004) contains seventeen pieces by non-U.S. geographers

on the influence of American geography and/or geographers, at a global, regional, national, or personal level. Copies of *GeoJournal*, published by Kluwer, may be ordered from the Web site, www.kluweronline.com/issn/0343-2521/.

Geocarto International, a journal of remote sensing and geoinformation systems, also published a special issue entitled "Geographic Remote Sensing: A Special Issue Commemorating the Centennial of

the Association of American Geographers." The June 2004 (Volume 19, No. 2) issue features peer reviewed research papers by members of the AAG Remote Sensing Specialty Group (RSSG) and an introductory overview by journal editors Kamlesh Lulla and M. Duane Nellis along with Timothy Warner and Douglas Stow. More information about *Geocarto International* can be found at www.geocarto.com. ■

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Philadelphia to meet with the AAG Council and leading geography scholars as part of this developing relationship. We thank him and Howard University, as well as Binghamton University, for their leadership in helping to bring about this important conference on race/ethnicity and place this fall.

The conference will cover current research on the intersections of race/ethnicity and place in an interdisciplinary setting. Research presentations and posters will explore topics ranging from changing cultural landscapes, immigration patterns, diversity in employment, and disparities in health and housing, to race/ethnicity and place in geography's educational curricula. Perspectives from multiple disciplines will be featured with the participation of academic scholars,

researchers, professionals, students and others involved in race/ethnicity studies.

Featured plenary speakers from the geography community include Rickie Sanders (Temple University), Don Deskins (University of Michigan), John Frazier (Binghamton University), Sam Aryeetey-Attoh (University of Toledo), Vicky Lawson (University of Washington), Darryl Cohen (U.S. Census Bureau), Todd Rogers (ESRI), and Orlando Taylor and Rodney Green of Howard University. A luncheon keynote will be delivered by Rennard Strickland a legal historian of Native American heritage from the



Sanders



Aryeetey-Attoh

University of Oregon, and a pioneer in introducing Indian law into university curriculum. In addition to plenaries, pre-

sentations, and posters, the conference agenda includes a workshop on diversity mapping using census data, geographic tools, and several field trips to ethnic neighborhoods and attractions in Washington, DC, including to the historic LeDroit Park neighborhood, the U Street jazz district, and the new DC City Museum.

To register for the Race/Ethnicity and Place Conference or to view the preliminary program visit www.aag.org/meetings/place.html. ■

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In all of these activities we must practice diversity broadly. As society, and indeed our discipline, evolves we must continue to evaluate what are meaningful inclusions and practices for us. We need to think broadly about the people (embodying combinations of race, ethnicity, class, sexuality, age,

religion, and so on) and ideas (including the full breadth of theoretical and methodological approaches) that comprise a diverse discipline. We must also think constructively about how to leverage our efforts to accomplish our goals. As such our challenge is to think of this work not as something we check off

our list, but as an ongoing and shifting process. It enhances all of our work when we continue to engage one another about what diversity means and how we may best accomplish our goals. ■

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Submissions to the *Annals of the AAG*

The *Annals of the AAG* has long been the flagship journal of the Association of American Geographers. Over the years it has remained the definitive outlet for the publication of scholarly research in geography in North America. And as the *Annals* moves on into the next hundred years of geography, a weathered but still deftly moving battleship, it remains swift in vetting manuscript submissions. While in some years past, the turn-around time for manuscripts had slowed, past backlog issues have now been resolved and the time from submission to decision stands at an average of four to five months. This compares favorably with the publication timeline of flagship journals in other disciplines.

With this in mind, the *Annals*, ever seeking the best of geographic research, continues to invite and welcome authors to submit manuscripts to one of its four

sub-sections (Nature and Society; Methods, Models, and GIS; Environmental Sciences; and People, Place, and Region), while also encouraging manuscripts that may cut across these sub-section boundaries. All papers submitted for publication should address significant research problems and issues, and be attuned to the sensibilities of a diverse scholarly audience. For more info on cross-cutting contact Journals Manager Robin Friedman at annals@aag.org.

It is worthy of note that all geographers bear responsibility for the fleetness of the *Annals*; journals need the support of reviewers drawn from across the discipline to function effectively. The timely turn-around time of each manuscript rests not only upon an editor, but upon a considered and timely set of reviews by the authors' peers. Performing manuscript reviews is both a privilege and a

responsibility and a set of considered and timely reviewer responses is the right of every author. This responsibility is most essential as each author eventually becomes a reviewer and each reviewer an author.

For current *Annals* submission guidelines, please visit: www.aag.org/Publications/Annals/annalsweb3.html. ■

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The National Academies New Geographical Sciences Committee

The name of the National Academies' Committee on Geography (COG) has been changed to the Geographical Sciences Committee (GSC). The change reflects the breadth of disciplinary expertise that contributes to understanding human-environment relationships in the context of space and place.

The COG was created in 1997 with the recognition that the spatial and place-based approaches to human-environment science were of increasing importance. Before that time, there was no immediate means of expressing these issues within the National Academies. Because the discipline of geography has long-held research traditions in both approaches and in their intersection, the name "geography" was used to identify the committee. However, the approaches to human-environmental science now exist within various fields of study (e.g., spatial statistics, econometrics and regional

science, and earth system science). The breadth of expertise extends beyond the formal discipline of geography. Therefore, the name change opens the door to committee service by those not formally associated with the discipline of geography. The name also reflects the essential focus on scientific perspectives on the spaces and places of the earth environment.

The mission of the new GSC is to bring the theories and perspectives of the geographical sciences to bear on society's problems. The geographical sciences: are sensitive to analyses at multiple scales (local, regional, and global) and to connections operating at different scales; use geospatial data; and use methods of spatial analysis and spatial representation. The geographical sciences also address issues related to human-environment systems and their changes (e.g., earth system management, land-use/cover change, resiliency,

and sustainability); place-based organization of phenomena and processes (e.g., globalization, urbanization, and regionalization); the social impacts of geospatial data and technologies (e.g., impacts of location-based services, and ethical issues underlying geodemographics); and geographic knowledge and learning across the life span (e.g., fostering geographical literacy).

The GSC is sponsored by the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Geological Survey, and U.S. Bureau of the Census. The next meeting of the GSC is scheduled for September 30-October 1, 2004, in Washington, DC. ■

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The twelve members of the 2004 GSC appear on page eleven of the May AAG Newsletter.

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Act into law. NCLB is the most recent version of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965. The No Child legislation recognizes the importance of geographic education by listing geography as one of ten "core academic subjects," but geography is the only one of the ten with no associated funding or specific program provisions. In the coming months, I and the AAG will be working with our friends and colleagues at GENIP and throughout the geography community in an attempt to correct this. As the NCLB act is unlikely to be reauthorized for several years, we will be examining a range of opportunities to provide needed funding for geography education through related congressional activity.

FY 2005 Budget/Appropriations

As in recent years, the federal budget and appropriations situation on Capitol Hill is very unsettled. In February, President Bush sent a proposed fiscal year (FY) 2005 budget of \$2.4 trillion to Congress for its consideration. This budget was delivered just two weeks after Congress had finally completed work on FY 2004 appropriations.

Complicating this year's appropriations process is the fact that the Senate has yet to pass a budget resolution. The budget resolution sets an enforceable ceiling on federal spending and can effectively head off legislative amendments that would increase government outlays. Republicans have a 51-49 edge in the Senate, but Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-TN) has been unable to hold four of his key moderates to the party line on the resolution. Senators John McCain (R-AZ), Susan Collins (R-ME), Olympia Snowe (R-ME), and Lincoln Chafee (R-RI) all rejected the GOP leadership's

version of the measure, which weakened proposed language requiring any new tax cuts to be offset by corresponding spending cuts or revenue increases.

If no budget resolution is passed, it could lead to havoc as Republicans and Democrats alike will likely offer scores of amendments to the appropriations bills in an attempt to boost favored accounts. The president's budget proposal holds a hard line on discretionary spending that isn't related to defense or homeland security. Funding for accounts in this non-defense or security category would increase by only 0.5 percent overall in FY 2005 and House leaders are aiming for an even-lower spending ceiling.

National Science Foundation

Despite the hard line on overall spending in the administration's proposal, things aren't quite as bad at the National Science Foundation (NSF). The foundation's proposed budget is \$5.745 billion, up \$167 million or 3 percent from the FY 2004 appropriation of \$5.578 billion. Within this amount, there is an even bigger increase for the Research and Related Activities Account (up 4.7 percent), which includes funding for all of NSF's research directorates. The Geography and Regional Sciences program falls under the Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences Division (BCS), which is part of the Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences Directorate (SBE). Under the administration's proposal, the SBE account would increase 10.3 percent and BCS would get a 10.9 percent boost.

While these numbers are promising and several key leaders on the Hill, including Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Ted Stevens (R-AK), have expressed their desire to do all

they can for NSF this year, the tight federal budget climate has dampened the optimism that reigned in the science community just a year and a half ago. On December 19, 2002, President Bush signed into law the NSF Reauthorization Act of 2002, which called for the doubling of the agency's budget over five years. Huge annual deficits, however, caused by homeland security concerns, the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, and massive tax cuts have eliminated the promise of large-scale NSF increases.

National Endowment for the Humanities

For the second year in row, the president is proposing a large increase for the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). This is to support the We the People Initiative, a program designed to encourage and strengthen the teaching, study, and understanding of American history, culture, and ideas. For FY 2004, the administration asked for \$25 million for the program but Congress appropriated \$9.9 million. The FY 2005 request is for \$33 million. We will be working with the National Humanities Alliance and others to encourage NEH to support studies that include a consideration of place and geography in their methodology or focus.

While the NEH, NSF, and the rest of the federal government face fiscal uncertainty for FY 2005, the long-term budget picture should clear up some once the results of the November elections are known. Stay tuned! ■

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Online registration is now available for GIScience 2004.

**The conference will be held October 20-23, 2004, in College Park, MD.
For details see page 29 of this issue or visit www.aag.org/giscience2004.**

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downslope from the mountains. During the spring, you might see some wave-like altostratus lenticularis clouds, and when they catch the setting sun's rays, they provide some spectacular sunsets.

Because March and April are our snowiest months, we are likely to have excellent skiing available in the nearby mountains at the time of the AAG Annual Meeting, but on the other hand, it could also be seventy-five degrees in downtown Denver during that week. We typically have a dry, fairly balmy January with many days of light jackets or even no jackets at all. Over recent years, we have experienced an ongoing drought, and would definitely welcome more precipitation. You're probably aware that all of our major rivers (Arkansas, Platte, Colorado, and Rio Grande) flow away from Colorado, and that fact, coupled with our dry years and high growth has meant that water issues are paramount here. Yet even when Denver was founded back in 1859, water rights and law was an important force in the shaping of the city and state.

Third, Denver really is one mile high, and the mile-high contour line runs through Denver City Park, through the 15th step of the Colorado State Capitol building, and along the purple seats at Coors Field, home of the Colorado Rockies baseball team.

Fourth, the Denver area is one of the premier regions in the nation for geographic research, education, and applications.

Academia

The Auraria campus, located downtown, is home to the University of Colorado-Denver, Metropolitan State College of Denver, and the Community College of Denver. The University of Colorado-Boulder is thirty miles to the northwest, and the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs and the U.S. Air Force Academy are seventy-five miles south. The Colorado School of Mines (CSM) is twenty miles west in Golden, while Colorado State University (CSU) and the University of Northern Colorado are less than two hours away by car in Fort Collins and Greeley to the north and northeast, respectively. All of these campuses feature either a strong geography

department, or in the case of CSM and CSU, large natural science programs where spatial analysis is used on a daily basis. The University of Denver featured the first GIS degree program west of the Mississippi River. Community college geography programs and courses abound at Arapahoe, Red Rocks, and Front Range colleges.

Private Industry

The Colorado Front Range is home to more companies producing and applying geospatial information than any other area in the U.S., with Space Imaging, Digital Globe, and ESRI, just to name a few.

Government

The Denver area is home to regional headquarters for most federal agencies that produce and use geographic information as well, such as the USGS, the National Park Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Census Bureau, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the U.S. Forest Service. In fact, the Denver Federal Center on the west side of the city represents the largest concentration of federal employees outside of Washington, DC. Dozens of cities and counties in the area use GIS and remote sensing technologies, as does the Regional Transportation District (RTD), who operate the buses that we encourage you to use during the conference.

Professional Societies

The Denver area is home to the headquarters of the Geospatial Information Technology Association (GITA), and the home of the active local chapter of the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA). Many are active in the AAG Rocky Mountain-Great Plains Region; we have a vibrant geographic alliance named COGA (Colorado Geographic Alliance) with a membership of over 5,000 geography educators; and our GIS community "GIS Colorado" is represented by an annual fall conference called "GIS In the Rockies" and sponsors activities throughout the year.

Fifth, I had the opportunity to tour the Adams Mark Hotel, the site of the 2005

AAG Annual Meeting recently, and am pleased to report that the conference site is ideal. You can view a map of the conference hotel and photos and descriptions of nearby attractions on: www.denver.org/maps/map_dtaccom.asp.

You will be within walking distance of the Colorado State Capitol, the U.S. Mint, the Auraria campus, Coors Field, the Cherry Creek urban greenway, and the Sixteenth Street Pedestrian Mall. A free shuttle bus runs the length of the mile-long Sixteenth Street Mall—lined with outdoor cafes and flower baskets. Nearby is Colfax Avenue, considered the longest straight street in the nation. Denver has the tenth largest downtown in the U.S., and from every street, one can see a 120-mile long mountain panorama. On most days, you can see Pikes Peak, 100 miles to the south.

Downtown Denver is home to three new sports stadiums, 300 restaurants, a restored historic district named Lo-Do (for Lower Downtown) overflowing with 90 bars and brewpubs (Denver brews more beer than any other city, with 80 different types), a collection of museums, a variety of galleries and shopping, the second largest performing arts center in the nation, and even a unique downtown amusement park, Six Flags Elitch Gardens.

Sixth, not surprisingly, with so many amenities, Denver is one of the fastest growing metropolitan areas, in a quickly growing state. The Denver-Boulder metropolitan area population stands at over 2.5 million. Colorado was the third fastest-growing state during the decade of the 1990s, increasing by over 30% to a population of over 4.3 million. Three of the five counties in the U.S. that doubled in population were here in Colorado. Douglas County, between Denver and Colorado Springs, was the nation's fastest growing county from 1980 to 1997.

Our Local Arrangements committee is already at work planning special events and field trips for the 2005 AAG Annual Meeting. Contact me at jjkerski@usgs.gov if you have any input or would like to help our committee. We look forward to seeing you! ■

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The AAG will recognize donors of \$1,500 or more to the Advancing Geography Centennial Fund with inscribed bricks to be installed in a landscaped pathway leading to the Meridian Place front entrance in Washington, DC. These bricks will become a tangible recognition of the effort

made by so many AAG members to advance geography by helping to create opportunities for the next generation of geographers.

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Call for Nominations for Vice President and National Councillors

The AAG Nominating Committee for the 2005 election is seeking nominations for AAG Vice President (one to be elected) and for National Councillor (two vacancies). Those elected will take office on July 1, 2005. Members should submit the names and addresses of each nominee and their reasons for supporting the nomination to any member of the committee no later than August 30, 2004. As part of your nomination statement, please confirm that your nominee is willing to be considered by the nominating committee for the position for which you are nominating her or him.

Committee members are: Mona Domosh, Department of Geography, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH 03755, email domosh@dartmouth.edu; Sallie A. Marston, Department of Geography, Harvill Box 2, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721, email marston@u.arizona.edu; and Patricia F. McDowell, Department of Geography, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-1251, email pmcd@uoregon.edu.

Lists of past and current AAG officers may be found in the Handbook section of the current issue of the AAG's *Guide to Geography Programs in North America*. ■

Honorary Geographer Nominations Solicited

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 2005 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.

Nominations are due no later than September 15, 2004. Digital submissions to ekhater@aag.org are preferred. Hardcopy nominations should be mailed to Meridian Place AAG Office, (Honorary Geographer), 1710 Sixteenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20009-3198. ■

On Geography and the American Liberal Arts College

As the AAG takes stock of its first century and looks forward to the next, I encourage its membership to consider its current position and future prospects within a small niche of the American higher education establishment, the liberal arts college.

Liberal arts colleges are distinctive institutions that are often poorly understood by the general public and by those within the discipline of geography. These mostly private schools specialize in undergraduate education characterized by small class size, intense faculty-student interaction, and significant attention to writing and analytical skill development. With only 3% of the U.S. college population attending liberal arts colleges, these institutions will forever have low visibility amongst most Americans.

The current makeup of American geography also limits stronger links between the discipline and liberal arts institutions. Geography in the U.S. is dominated by programs at large public universities and the majority of its practitioners have been trained at these institutions. More thought must be given to increasing our presence in the liberal arts college arena where the discipline is seriously under-represented.

Among the top twenty-seven national liberal arts colleges (as ranked by *US News & World Report* in 2003), only five have geography programs (Middlebury, Vassar, Colgate, Macalester, and Bucknell). Furthermore, most faculty at the top tier colleges have nothing but passing knowledge of geography as a discipline because they largely have been trained at institutions without geography programs. In some instances, faculty at these colleges question whether geography should even be considered a part of the traditional liberal arts curriculum.

So why should geography as a discipline be concerned about its station in the liberal arts college curriculum? For starters, the top-tier liberal arts colleges are highly selective institutions that often compete

head to head with the Ivy League schools for the best students in the country. More important than prestige, however, is the fact that the top liberal arts colleges produce a disproportionate number of the graduate students in the country. Geography as a discipline will only benefit if it increasingly can attract high quality students to its graduate programs.

Increasing the presence of geography within the liberal arts curriculum will mean exploiting current opportunities and overcoming existing obstacles. The opportunity is that there is a great deal of interest among students at liberal arts colleges in thematic areas that geographers are adept at studying, such as environmental, international, area, and urban studies. The main challenge is that the discipline lacks exposure among liberal arts college administrators and faculty who might be in a position to bring a geographer on board or initiate a new department or joint program. To this end, I suggest three strategies that geography as a discipline could undertake to improve its position within the liberal arts college establishment.

First, given that geography is poorly understood by most liberal arts college faculty, the discipline needs to find creative ways of gaining exposure to this potential constituency. As an example, I note that Macalester and Gustavus Adolphus Colleges used funds from the AAG's Visiting Geographical Scientist Program (VGSP) to bring the then president of the AAG Cultural and Political Ecology Specialty Group, Paul Robbins of Ohio State University, to our campuses last fall. In addition to addressing our students, Robbins was the keynote speaker at a workshop for over twenty faculty from eight of the top liberal arts colleges in the Midwest, six of whom have no geography programs. As the interdisciplinary subfield of political ecology was the subject of the encounter (a realm in which geography has been an intellectual leader), the discipline had a chance to shine. This is a small example,

but such exchanges should be supported by the AAG whenever possible. The VGSP could also begin to support the visits of prominent geographers to schools that have no existing geography programs. Furthermore, the AAG should work to get prominent geographers on the Phi Beta Kappa lecture series (a prestigious opportunity for outreach to non-geographers).

Second, should there be sufficient demand for a geographer, a geography department or a joint department shared with another discipline at a strategically significant liberal arts college, the AAG should consider how it might help leverage external funding to help start up such initiatives. Somewhat counter-intuitively, this may mean investing in prestigious (often wealthy) schools that have the resources for sustained program expansion.

Third, rather than viewing liberal arts college positions as second rate choices, the discipline should encourage its best and brightest Ph.D. candidates to seriously consider such opportunities when they do become available. The best of these schools offer teaching loads that are only slightly higher than those at the large research universities; salaries that are very competitive; students who are often highly motivated, exceptionally bright and eager to engage with faculty; and relatively generous internal funding for research.

I suggest that current liberal arts college geographers and the AAG leadership meet in the near future to draft a strategic plan for strengthening the presence of geography in the liberal arts college curriculum. Such an objective, if attained, will further strengthen the discipline's pool of graduate students, not to mention its future scholarship and teaching. ■

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The author is grateful to David Lanegran for insightful comments on a draft of this comment.

AAG Member Profile: Jeffrey M. Young



Young

Jeffrey M. Young is the Regional Director of Sales for the Americas for Leica Geosystems GIS and Mapping, LLC, located in Denver, Colorado. He has over twenty-seven years of sales,

program, and project experience, including more than fifteen years in senior management roles of GIS corporations. An AAG member since 1977, Jeff holds a bachelor's degree in geography from Lock Haven State College in Pennsylvania and a master of arts in geography from Arizona State University. In his various roles in the private sector, Jeff has been responsible for GIS solution design and applications development, sales, business development, infrastructure and facility management applications, site selection studies, environmental and land use analysis, and training. Jeff resides in Centennial, CO, with his wife and two children.

AAG: What aspect of the current state of professional geography is important to you?

Jeff: Even though practitioners like me have become enamored with geospatial technology, we need to maintain and improve the scientific aspects of the discipline. For example, we have staff with excellent skills in technology and core geographic competencies which act as a scientific reservoir for the products we develop.

AAG: What impact does an understanding of those concepts have on business?

Jeff: Our customers routinely investigate impacts and changes to the regions and neighborhoods we live in—ultimately to define and assess a spatial pattern or trend. I'm fortunate that the companies I've been a part of over the years have contributed to the public good in a profitable manner such as environmental assessments to improve how a public agency operates.

AAG: What has been your favorite project?

Jeff: It was actually my first commercial project management experience—an assignment [in 1979] with NUS Corporation under contract with the Department of Energy which occurred after Skylab's orbital decline to earth where perceived risks were a concern. I redesigned a global risk analysis model and world-wide spatial database to analyze the risks associated with nuclear-powered deep space probes which were occasionally launched during that period. In effect, we designed a rudimentary pre-technology GIS of the globe capturing food sources, population, fisheries, political boundaries, and agricultural regions into a kind of algorithm that a nuclear physicist could map against the trajectory of a potential failed launch.

AAG: And after the risk model?

Jeff: I followed the path of a growing profession just as geospatial tools were coming into the marketplace. Somewhere along the way I stopped being a scientist and project manager and began developing business opportunities in the private sector.

AAG: What would you say you are now?

Jeff: Basically I sell products and capabilities and manage teams who sell geographic imaging and photogrammetry tools. With that said it remains important to have a scientific, engineering, and geography background to understand customer requirements.

AAG: What motivates your clients to invest in geographic technologies?

Jeff: The ultimate impetus that drives most of our procurements is the end user's desire to understand change—changes in landscape, the urban-rural fringe, political borders, environmental boundaries, or areas of economic gain or loss as examples.

AAG: Changes over time. . .

Jeff: Ironically "time" these days is the most significant driver for those who acquire data systems and our associated software tools. Interestingly, the component of "time" has now begun to infiltrate geographic thinking, the tools being developed, and the problems being solved.

AAG: What could be one of the next frontiers for geography?

Jeff: Which frontier do you want to talk about? [laughs] There are plenty of problems to solve. I'd say overall, our frontiers relate to our professional responsibility to tackle some very serious and knotty global, regional, and local issues. There is a geographic context to all of the urgent problems the world faces, such a control of diseases, food production and distribution, water supply, sanitation, and governance.

AAG: How should we start?

Jeff: I would say the big challenge for geographic thinkers is to apply what we do intuitively with purpose. We need more "social entrepreneurs" making a difference and changing the world even from a business perspective where financial assets can be applied with patience and persistence.

AAG: What will you do next?

Jeff: Next I'd like to give some things back to the communities that have supported me. Eventually it would be fun to work in a university setting, maybe in an applied center or laboratory as a capstone to my career.

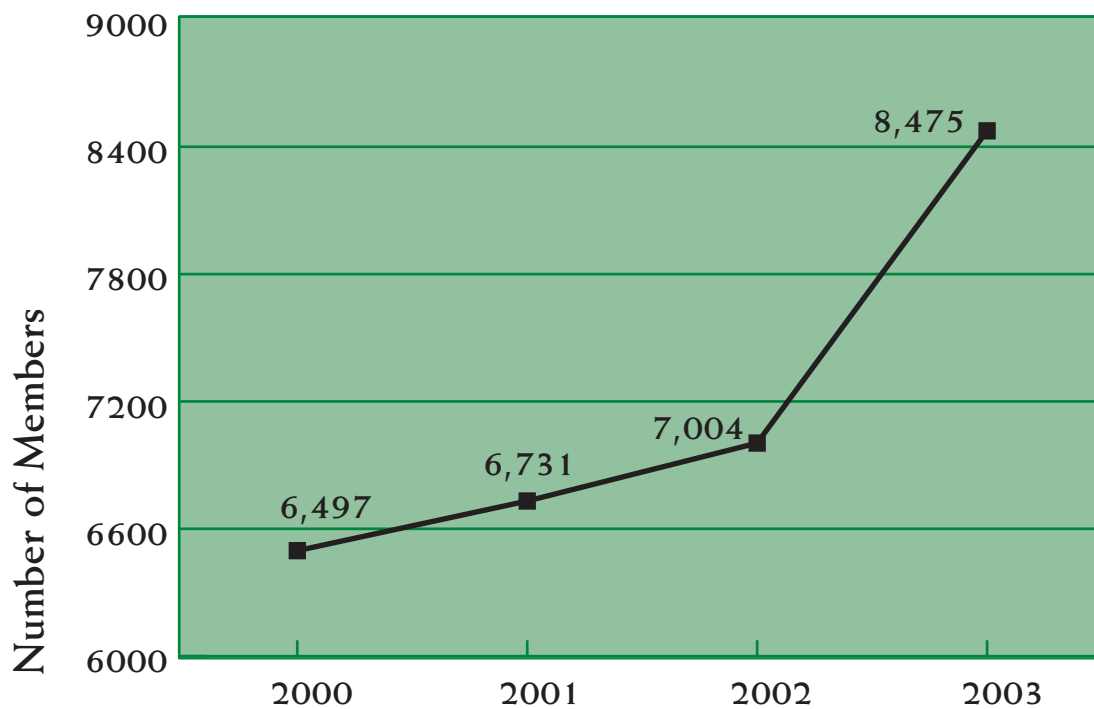
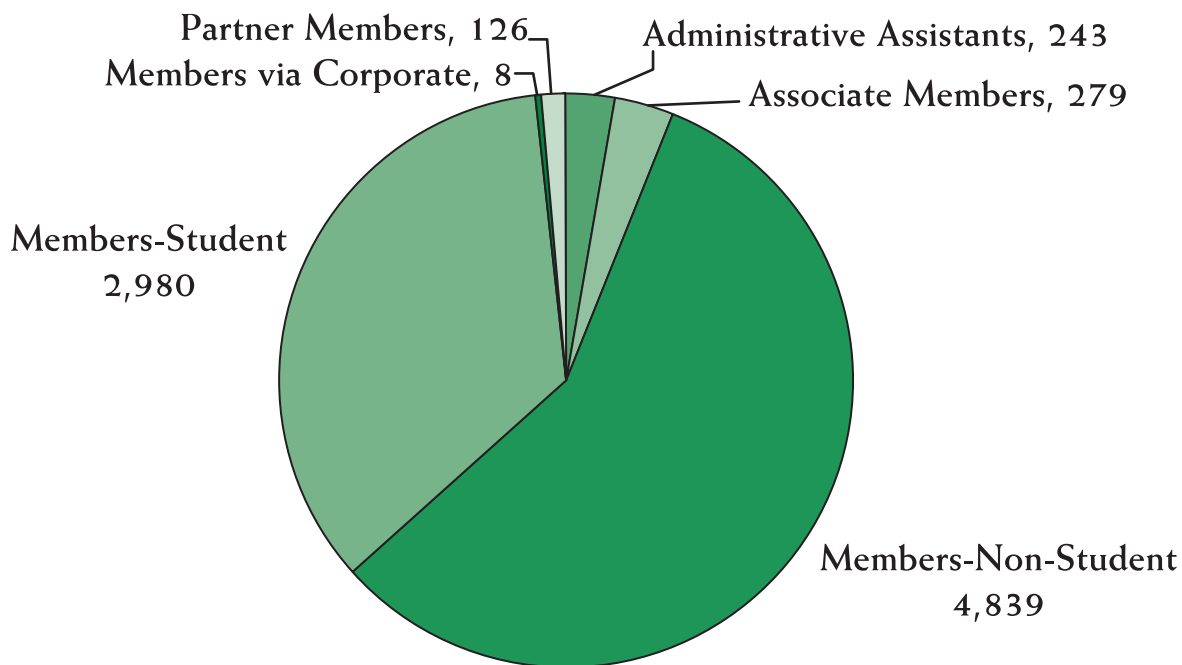
AAG: What changes in geography have you seen from your position in the private sector?

Jeff: Back in 1979-80, I served on the "AAG Committee on the Visibility of Geography." I don't think we have a visibility issue anymore. ■

Editor's Note: Suggestions for members to profile are welcome. Please send names and contact information to Patricia Solís at psolis@aag.org.

2003 AAG Membership Statistics

For the year ending December 31, 2003 AAG membership reached an all time high of 8,475 people, an increase of 1,368 since December 31, 2002. This is the third consecutive year that the AAG has experienced a growth in membership.



2004 AAG Annual Meeting, March 14-19, 2004 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Registration Figures

U.S.	Regular Member	Student Member	Non-member	Student NM	Companion	Total
Alabama	23	4	1	0	0	28
Alaska	0	0	1	0	0	1
Arizona	36	52	5	3	1	97
Arkansas	6	1	0	0	0	7
California	140	149	31	7	4	331
Colorado	41	36	12		1	90
Connecticut	19	29	5	0	0	53
D.C.	37	12	22	3	0	74
Delaware	17	25	8	0	0	50
Florida	49	39	8	1	1	98
Georgia	36	27	6	2	0	71
Hawaii	4	3	0	0	0	7
Idaho	6	7	1	0	0	14
Illinois	64	36	11	3	0	114
Indiana	34	24	6	2	3	69
Iowa	12	20	0	0	0	32
Kansas	22	30	3	0	1	56
Kentucky	32	33	2	3	1	71
Louisiana	27	25	2	0	0	54
Maine	11	5	2	1	0	19
Maryland	64	39	34	4	1	142
Massachusetts	54	59	15	2	1	131
Michigan	55	47	6	5	2	115
Minnesota	39	50	4	2	3	98
Mississippi	10	5	7	0	0	22
Missouri	24	10	2	0	1	37
Montana	8	14	4	0	0	26
Nebraska	13	10	0	2	1	26
Nevada	4	3	1	0	0	8
New Hampshire	21	19	1	4	0	45
New Jersey	39	27	16	4	0	86
New Mexico	13	4	2	0	0	19
New York	118	102	44	4	2	270
N. Carolina	49	49	3	2	0	103
N. Dakota	2	0	0	0	0	2
Ohio	88	113	7	6	2	216
Oklahoma	16	12	0	2	0	30
Oregon	29	33	5	6	1	74
Pennsylvania	119	110	47	9	2	287
Rhode Island	4	1	2	0	0	7
S. Carolina	22	28	1	2	1	54
S. Dakota	9	10	3	0	1	23
Tennessee	27	26	1	0	0	54
Texas	79	76	18	4	1	178
Utah	18	8	3	0	0	29
Vermont	17	6	1	1	0	25
Virginia	86	38	57	6	0	187
Washington	27	36	4	2	1	70
W. Virginia	21	22	3	0	1	47
Wisconsin	62	59	5	4	1	131
Wyoming	5	2	2	0	0	9
not recorded	17	99	141	1	45	303
Totals	1775	1674	565	97	79	4190

Summary	Regular Member	Student Member	Non-Member	Student NM	Companion	Total
US	1775	1674	565	97	79	4190
Canada	106	88	39	3	0	236
Other Int'l	216	160	253	7	5	641
Total	2097	1922	857	107	84	5067

Canada	Regular Member	Student Member	Non-member	Student NM	Companion	Total
Alberta	5	2	3	0	0	10
British Columbia	20	22	2	0	0	44
Manitoba	3	0	1	0	0	4
New Brunswick	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newfoundland	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW Territory	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nova Scotia	1	0	0	0	0	1
Ontario	59	55	28	2	0	144
Quebec	15	7	4	1	0	27
Saskatchewan	3	0	1	0	0	4
not recorded	0	2	0	0	0	2
Totals	106	88	39	3	0	236

Other Int'l	Regular Member	Student Member	Non-member	Student NM	Companion	Total
Australia	10	4	5	1	1	21
Austria	0	1	1	0	1	3
Belgium	0	3	2	0	0	5
Brazil	1	1	0	0	0	2
Chile	1	0	1	0	0	2
China	0	1	5	0	0	6
Colombia	1	0	0	0	0	1
Czech Republic	0	0	1	0	0	1
Denmark	1	0	4	0	0	5
Fiji	0	0	1	0	0	1
Finland	3	3	4	0	0	10
France	1	1	4	0	0	6
Germany	14	7	19	0	0	40
Hong Kong	4	5	1	0	0	10
Hungary	1	0	0	0	0	1
India	1	1	3	0	0	5
Ireland	4	6	3	0	0	13
Israel	5	2	1	3	0	11
Italy	2	3	4	0	0	9
Jamaica	1	8	1	0	0	10
Japan	21	2	7	1	1	32
Jordan	0	0	1	0	0	1
Kenya	0	0	1	0	0	1
Korea	5	0	2	0	0	7
Liechtenstein	1	0	0	0	0	1
Mexico	5	0	3	0	0	8
Netherlands	4	0	5	0	0	9
New Zealand	5	1	4	0	0	10
Nigeria	3	1	4	0	0	8
Norway	1	0	3	0	0	4
Poland	0	0	1	0	0	1
Portugal	0	0	2	0	0	2
Romania	0	0	1	0	0	1
Singapore	6	9	2	0	1	18
Slovenia	1	3	2	0	0	6
South Africa	1	2	3	0	0	6
Spain	9	0	2	0	1	12
Sweden	6	8	2	0	0	16
Switzerland	6	6	4	0	0	16
Taiwan	2	3	2	0	0	7
UAE	3	1	0	0	0	4
UK	87	78	142	2	0	309
Totals	216	160	253	7	5	641

Association of American Geographers Council Meeting Minutes

Philadelphia, PA
12-14 March, 2004

Attending: Alec Murphy, President; Duane Nellis, Past-President; Kavita Pandit, Secretary and Regional Councillor (Southeastern Division); and Darrell Napton, Treasurer and Regional Councillor (Great Plains-Rocky Mountains Division). National Councillors: Thomas Baerwald, Sarah Bednarz, Kenneth Foote, Kent Mathewson, Ann Oberhauser, and Cort Willmott. Regional Councillors: Samuel Aryeetey-Attoh (East Lakes Division), Jon Kilpinen (West Lakes Division), Sheryl Luzzadder-Beach (Middle Atlantic Division), Paul Matthews (Southwestern Division), Gregory Pope (Middle States Division), Judy Walton (Pacific Coast Division), Leon Yacher (New England-St. Lawrence Valley). AAG Staff: Executive Director Douglas Richardson and Deputy Director Patricia Solís.

Regrets: Vicky Lawson, Vice President.

Visitors: Robert Andelman, Oscar Larson, Robin Friedman, Michael Solem, AAG Staff; Richard Marston, Vice President-elect; Michael Goodchild and Audrey Kobayashi, *Annals of the AAG* Editors; Truman Hartshorn, *Professional Geographer* editor; John Ray, IGIF; Orlando Taylor, Dean of the Graduate School, Howard University; Rita Colwell and Peg Barratt, National Science Foundation; Stan Brunn and Don Janelle, Centennial Coordinating Committee Co-chairs.

PRELIMINARIES

President Murphy called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. on March 12. The agenda for the meeting was reviewed and adopted subject to a few minor revisions.

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S PRIORITIES

Alec Murphy summarized progress on

his presidential initiatives. With regards to enhancing the profile of geography in public debate, Murphy published an op-ed piece on the importance of geography for understanding international developments in 12-15 newspapers around the country. The art of op-ed writing was also the subject of one of his presidential columns and he will organize a workshop on the topic at the Denver AAG to build on momentum. He also noted the presence of high profile public figures at the Centennial meeting. A second initiative, increasing intra-disciplinary dialogue in geography, was being addressed in his presidential columns and in the Presidential Plenary sessions which will appear in the December issue of the *Annals*. Murphy noted that the idea of including cross-cutting pieces in the *Annals* was under discussion with the *Annals* editors. Murphy noted that he was also working to support the Centennial Fund and diversity initiatives of Duane Nellis and Vicky Lawson respectively.

PAST PRESIDENT'S PRIORITIES

Duane Nellis recapped his activities over the past three years. The transition to the new AAG director has taken place very successfully. The Centennial Fund continues to grow. The first two Presidential Awards will go to Bruce Alberts, President of the National Academy of Sciences, and Harm DeBlij. Nellis summarized the issues that came up at the recent GENIP meetings. He ended by noting the he, along with Susan Cutter and Jan Monk, is in the process of editing a book that compiles selected presidential columns from the *AAG Newsletter*. The volume will be published by the West Virginia Press.

VICE PRESIDENT'S PRIORITIES

Murphy communicated to the Council the four priorities that Vicky Lawson will be pursuing in the coming years. The first

is the Healthy Departments initiative. This summer workshop has already drawn considerable interest. There was also a need to create a standing committee that becomes a repository of information that departments often need. The second is increasing diversity in the AAG membership. Vicky will take an active role in the diversity taskforce constituted by Past President Duane Nellis. Lawson will also work with Richardson in organizing the next conference on Race/Ethnicity and Place which will be held at Howard University. The final two priorities are the early career development of geography faculty and showcasing geography's role in promoting social justice.

REVIEW OF GEOGRAPHY PROGRAMS

Middle States. Pope noted that a number of universities in the region are hiring geographers. State budgets are a bit better than in the past year.

East Lakes. Aryeetey-Attoh reported that Grand Valley State is hosting the 1st International Workshop on Human Dimensions of Climate and Environmental Change in Central Asia and engaging in projects in Brazil and Peru. Western Michigan received a 3 year NSF-REU grant on Globalization and Sustainable Development in Latin America. Youngstown State Geography has moved to new facilities in close association with the Center for Urban Studies, and is involved in a university-wide assessment effort. Toledo is making progress on the Ph.D. initiative. Division is debating on the appropriate status for Ontario geographers wishing to associate with the region.

West Lakes. Kilpinen reported positive news from the department heads in terms of hiring and enrollments, and donation to capital campaigns and endowments.

Southeastern. Pandit reported that new doctoral programs have been put in place at UNC-Greensboro and University

of South Florida (in conjunction with Department of Environmental Studies and Policy).

Pacific Coast. Walton reported a positive mood at most geography programs in the region. The mood in California was a bit more negative.

Great Plains-Rocky Mountains. Napton focused on the state of North Dakota. There are many "lonely geographers" in the state who are difficult to keep track of because of the high turnover in their numbers. There are three searches underway at the University of North Dakota, and the department will be moving to new facilities at the center of campus this summer. The geography department is facing new competition from the College of Aerospace Studies, which is adding a graduate program in earth system sciences.

Mid-Atlantic. Luzzader-Beach reported that University of Maryland will host the 2004 regional meeting. Frostburg State hosted a Student Research Day earlier in the year, and various departments in the region hosted prominent geographers from outside the region.

New England-St. Lawrence Valley. Yacher reported several instances where departmental faculty and physical facilities had expanded in the past year. A number of intra-divisional collaborations have been initiated.

Southwest. Matthews reported that the Southwest Division was in good shape. Geography at Oklahoma State is doing particularly well.

Doug Richardson reported that AAG is willing to handle the financial bookkeeping of those regions that desire it. He also announced that the AAG has added a rider to its liability coverage that will now cover the regional division meetings.

REVIEW OF TOPICAL DEVELOPMENTS

President Murphy asked the National Councillors to discuss the question "Does geographical research and teaching need to be more responsive to the high profile social issues of the day?"

Foote noted that geography is responding well to the urgent issues of the day and is already in a high profile position.

Willmott agreed with *Foote* that geographers are becoming more active and visible. However he was concerned that the AAG mainly focuses on quantitative measures in assessing geography's progress rather than on the quality of our research and the nature of our innovative contributions. He wondered if we are becoming excessively corporate and driven by the agendas of funding agencies.

Oberhauser appreciated the role of geography in promoting an international outlook. She noted that the growing fragmentation of the discipline will create the need for us to define the discipline. However it also creates the opportunity for us to address a widening range of social issues.

Bednarz raised the issue of "missing geography research." One issue is Brown vs. the Board of Education. The other is spatial analysis of contemporary education issues. These are some very important areas that geographers are not addressing. According to her, we have separated theory from policy and that is hurting us.

Mathewson, along the same lines wondered if the AAG could "forecast" or think ahead to significant events or anniversaries coming up and prepare a geographical perspective to the issue ahead of time.

Baerwald noted the funding success of geographers particularly at NSF but added that geographers do need to become more socially relevant to attract continued funding. An example of a success story in this area is the Geographical Dimensions of Terrorism initiative, which has raised the profile of the discipline. It is important for us to continue to bridge research and policy. NSF is placing greater emphasis on the societal and educational impacts of research. The one area in which he felt we are weak is the scientific examination of social and economic phenomena and linking GIS to scientific human geography.

Council members discussed these ideas further, and Murphy thanked the National Councillors for their input.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Richardson provided a brief review of 2003. Highlights included the growth of the AAG Centennial Fund, and the rise in AAG membership. The *Annals's* Nature-Society section has a new editor, and the AAG is soliciting applications for a new editor for the *PG*. The *AAG Newsletter* has been expanded, and will henceforth be posted on the AAG website for immediate access. He outlined the new and continuing research, outreach, and educational projects.

STATUS OF THE ASSOCIATION FINANCES

Treasurer Darrell Napton and Doug Richardson reviewed the financial situation of the AAG. Finances and financial management are in good shape. The Association received a very positive audit report. For the first time in five years, the AAG had a positive cash flow. Napton discussed the myth amongst some members that the annual meetings generate profits for the AAG. Instead, the AAG has often had to absorb some of the costs and Richardson is trying to more accurately capture the costs of the meetings in the registration fees. The registration cost of the Denver meeting will be less than the Centennial meeting, but probably not as low as the fees charged in previous years. Richardson also mentioned that there are a number of mechanisms such as the Enrichment Fund and student volunteer activities that can help reduce or eliminate the cost of registration.

Council **approved unanimously** a set of four resolutions that empowered the Executive Director to take all actions necessary to consolidate AAG accounts in the SunTrust bank.

Budget. Napton reviewed the proposed budget for 2005. Council **unanimously approved** the 2005 budget.

Centennial Campaign. Nellis reported that pledges toward this campaign are now

over \$600,000. There are also several sizable pending bequests. He also announced the launching of a new campaign that will allow persons to purchase an AAG "birthday brick" to place in the entrance walkway to Meridian Place for \$1,500. Nellis also discussed the idea of contacting family members or former students of prominent deceased geographers to set up special named endowments.

International Geographic Information Foundation. Richardson reported that the IGIF has selected the AAG over two other competing organizations to continue its work of providing scholarships and grants to support geography. The assets of IGIF will transfer to the AAG, and the AAG will appoint an Interim board to oversee IGIF operations.

Council **approved unanimously** two resolutions to facilitate the transfer of IGIF assets to AAG control.

Doug Richardson welcomed visitor John Ray of the IGIF to the Council meeting. John Ray provided a short history of the IGIF. Richardson thanked John Ray for all his efforts in support of IGIF, and for the selection of the AAG as IGIF's successor organization.

MEMBERSHIP

Richardson reported that AAG membership is at a record high of almost 8,500. This high mark was the result of a concerted effort to bring back lapsed members to the Association and to recruit young members. Part of the membership increase may also be due to the interest in the Centennial meeting. Richardson anticipates a small drop in the membership but was hopeful that we will retain most members in the coming years. Council discussed the factors that may affect AAG membership trends.

PUBLICATIONS

Newsletter. Richardson mentioned that there have been difficulties in getting the newsletter delivered in a timely basis via bulk mail due to the frequent disruptions experienced by the Washington, D.C.,

area post offices. He felt that the AAG newsletter needs to be posted as soon as it becomes available in the "Members Only" section of the AAG website. The Council members supported this move.

Other publications. Murphy noted that the latest *Guide to Geography Departments* was now available. It is much easier to use thanks to a new formatting. Two centennial publications are also being distributed at the meeting.

AAG Journals. Cort Willmott noted that the job advertisement for the editor of the *Professional Geographer* appeared in the March 2004 newsletter. He noted that a suggestion had been made to have an Associate Editor as well for the journal—this may be something that could be brought up with the selected editor. Richardson suggested increasing the stipend available to the editor which would allow him/her to get additional help. Council members supported this idea. Murphy asked Council members to encourage qualified people to apply for this position.

Council **unanimously approved** the slate for the *Annals* Editorial Board as proposed by editors Zimmerer and Kobayashi.

Richardson introduced Robin Friedman, AAG Journals Manager. She updated the Council on the contents of the upcoming issues of the *Annals* and the *PG*.

Council discussed other issues related to the journals, and referred three of these to the Publications Committee for action/recommendation. First, since the terms of editors Michael Goodchild and Basil Gomez were expiring simultaneously in the next year, the Publications Committee was asked to consider asking one of the two to serve an additional year. Second, the Publications Committee should consider whether there should be separate book review editors for the *Annals* and the *PG*. Finally, the Publications Committee was asked to explore the possibility of publishing short obituaries in the *PG*.

Following this discussion, Alec Murphy welcomed *Annals* editors Audrey Kobayashi and Michael Goodchild and *PG* editor Truman Hartshorn to the Council meeting. Kobayashi reported that the transition to a new journals manager has gone well. With Robin's help, the backlog of manuscripts submitted to the "People, Place, and Region" section has been cleared. She also noted that the authorship of papers to this section of the *Annals* is heavily dominated by two groups: senior authors from overseas and recent Ph.D.s from the United States. She spent considerable time working with the latter group of authors but viewed it as a productive task. Kobayashi would like to see more senior American authors submit to the *Annals*. Goodchild reported a satisfactory manuscript flow of 25 to 30 per year of which 8-10 are published. He reported that a high share of the submissions to the "Methods, Models, and GIS" section of the *Annals* tended to be unsuitable for publication or authored by "repeat visitors"—persons who made frequent submissions to the journal. Goodchild also spoke to the difficulty in getting reviewers for manuscripts, a point that was reinforced by Truman Hartshorn.

Murphy brought up the issue of including cross-cutting pieces in the *Annals*. There was general support for this initiative, and Council discussed some of the logistical issues associated with having such a section with the *Annals* editors.

MERIDIAN PLACE OPERATIONS

Richardson reported the new personnel hired at Meridian Place: Heather Heimbuch (administrative assistant), Gayathri Gopiram (IMS and website enhancement), and Terry Lynn Martin (accounting manager who will now be working full time). The AAG has also hired Gary Fitzpatrick as a Policy Fellow who will work part time for 6 months to help monitor Congressional bills and activities related to geography.

Future capital infrastructure expenses will involve improvements to the building

such as painting and roof maintenance. Murphy noted that the size of the AAG operations has caused us to outgrow the space in Meridian Place. At some point in the future, we may consider developing off site locations to accommodate the growing staff and projects.

RESEARCH AND OUTREACH

Deputy Director Solís summarized the AAG's recent research and outreach activities. These include launching Phase II of the My Community Our Earth project (collaboration with USDA, NOAA, USAID, InterAmerican Development Bank, NGS, Office of Naval Research, and others), obtaining NSF Travel funding for geographers to attend the 2004 IGU Congress in Glasgow, developing a NSF proposal to enhance the National Science Digital Library, and partnering with the American Council on Education to internationalize the discipline.

Richardson reminded Council of the upcoming conferences sponsored or co-sponsored by the AAG. These include the Mapping in the News conference to be held in Washington D.C. (May 14-15, 2004), the Race/Ethnicity and Place conference at Howard University (September 16-18, 2004), and the GIScience conference (October 20-23, 2004). Richardson also mentioned that he was planning a 2005 conference that looks at the links between Geography and the Humanities.

Solís shared with Council the 10 projects suggested by the Diversity Task Force. A number of panels and sessions are being organized at the AAG that promote the action agenda of the Task Force, and many of the other activities are already underway.

AAG's activities related to Geography Careers and Outlook are reflected in a recent article in *Nature* magazine on geography's leadership in the area of geospatial science and technologies, and new employment opportunities. Solís is also working on enhancing AAG's careers activities.

Richardson updated Council on issues related to public policy, press and publicity, and outreach and external relations.

Murphy thanked Solís and Richardson for their work in the research and outreach area.

Richardson welcomed Dean Orlando Taylor, Dean of the Graduate School at of Howard University and summarized the partnerships that AAG is forging with Howard University. Orlando Taylor discussed the challenges to the social science disciplines and the opportunities represented by the AAG-Howard relationship. Richardson thanked Orlando for the opportunity of working together with him and Howard University during the past year and into the future.

Murphy welcomed Rita Colwell and Peg Barratt from the National Science Foundation to the Council meeting. Colwell summarized trends in NSF budget and strategies, and responded to questions from Council. Murphy and Richardson thanked Colwell and Barratt for their presence in Philadelphia.

EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

Richardson introduced Michael Solem, the AAG Director of Educational Affairs. Solem updated the Council on several ongoing educational efforts of the AAG including the proposal for a Center for the Advancement of Geography Education, the Online Center for Global Geography Education, the Geography Faculty Development Alliance activities, and a FIPSE supported program on Teacher's Guide to Modern Geography. Projects under exploration include a NSF Science of Learning Center and a U.S. Department of Education Predoctoral Interdisciplinary Research Training Program in Education Sciences. He also updated the Council on activities of Geography Education Materials Development Fund (GEMDF) and GENIP activities.

Doug Richardson thanked Michael Solem for all his efforts in the area of Educational Affairs and for helping to move the AAG's educational initiatives more

strongly into the higher education arena while at the same time sustaining the focus on K-12.

CONTINUING AND NEW BUSINESS

ANNUAL MEETINGS

Murphy informed the council about a proposal that he had received from a group of AAG members that the Council should adopt a resolution requiring the AAG to contract with only union hotels for the annual meeting. After discussion, the Council **passed unanimously** the following motion:

"The Council directs the Executive director to make every effort to actively solicit and give preference to a suitable unionized hotel in cities selected for the AAG meetings, provided that such hotel's rates and facilities are competitive with those of non-union hotels; and the Council directs the Executive Director to report to Council on the implementation of this initiative as part of the regular report on future AAG meetings and include discussion of the issue in the minutes of the Council meetings."

Richardson reviewed the upcoming events at the Centennial meeting, and thanked the AAG staff for their excellent work. The Council gave a special vote of thanks to Robert Andelman who donated the Centennial plaque to the Association.

There was discussion and concern expressed about the fact that the paper titles were not included in the AAG meeting program. Oscar Larson spoke to the Council about the oversight problem, and the Council discussed various options, including the printing of a program addendum to make paper titles available to meeting registrants. The Council thanked Oscar Larson for his hard work on meeting organization.

Alec Murphy welcomed Stan Brunn and Don Janelle, Centennial Coordinating Committee Co-chairs to the Council. Council discussed the planning process that went into the Centennial meeting. Murphy thanked Brunn and Janelle for all

their work and planning for the Centennial meeting.

The venues for future AAG meetings are Denver (2005), Chicago (2006), and San Francisco (2007). For the 2008 meeting, Boston has been selected as the host city, and contracts are in the final stages of negotiation.

The next Executive Committee meetings will be in Washington, D.C. on September 19, 2004. Future Council Meetings will be in Sioux Falls, S.D. (October 1-3, 2003) and Denver, CO (April 3-5, 2005).

HONORS AND AWARDS

Richardson informed Council about the major awards to be made at the Awards Banquet. He noted that, as in the past, the announcement of Specialty Group awards will be made only if the award winner is present at the banquet.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Murphy proposed the establishment of a new Standing Committee on Healthy Departments. The charge for this committee would read as follows:

"The committee seeks to help geography departments in colleges and universities strengthen their programs by sharing, developing, and disseminating materials and information of use to department heads; organizing workshops and other activities; providing recommendations of geographers who could serve effectively as site visitors or reviewers; and bringing to the attention of Council issues of importance to the health of geography departments. The committee will also provide a resource for departments in need of rapid input in response to challenges that arise."

Council **unanimously approved** the establishment of this committee.

The Council **unanimously approved** the nominees for the upcoming vacancies on various Standing Committees, noting that the membership of the Healthy Departments Standing Committee, currently comprised of Vicky Lawson (chair), Alec Murphy, and Sarah Bednarz, would likely be expanded over time. Council members discussed strategies to streamline the nomination process and increase nominations for the various AAG awards.

SPECIALTY GROUPS

Tom Baerwald noted that since Specialty Group reports are due following the Annual meeting, a full report on Specialty Group activities will be forthcoming in the Fall Council meeting. Murphy noted that he had received an application for the establishment of a new specialty group, the Viticulture and Oenology Specialty Group. Council **unanimously approved** the establishment of this specialty group.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS

Council **unanimously approved** the following two resolutions.

Whereas, Duane Nellis, as Vice President and President of the Association of American Geographers has exercised exceptional leadership in assisting the Association in addressing the challenges facing the discipline of Geography and working to strengthen academic geography, geographic education, and the internal administrative, management, and financial capacity of the AAG;

Therefore be it Resolved that the Association of American Geographers, assembled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on the occasion of its Centennial Meeting, heartily thanks Duane for his leadership of the Association during the past three years, and especially for his efforts to improve the standing of the discipline and the profession in all sectors, and for his role in initiating the AAG's Advancing Geography Centennial Fund.

Whereas, Councillors of the Association of American Geographers expend substantial time and effort advancing the causes of the Association and the discipline; and

Whereas, the Council of the Association of American Geographers has confronted difficult issues and responded to unusual opportunities during the last three years,

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Association of American Geographers, assembled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on the occasion of its Centennial Meeting, extends warm appreciation to Past President Duane Nellis and retiring AAG Councillors Kent Mathewson, Cort J. Willmott, Sheryl Luzzadder-Beach, Leon Yacher, and Judy R. Walton, for the energy, time, and talent they have contributed to the Association during their terms on the AAG Council.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Murphy adjourned the Council meeting at noon on Sunday, March 14, 2004. ■

Respectfully submitted,
Kavita Pandit, AAG Secretary

Call for Papers

**for the AAG's 2005 Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado,
is now available at www.aag.org.**

Mark Bjelland of Gustavus Adolphus College was awarded the Fulbright Cardiff University Scholar Award. Bjelland will be based at the School of City and Regional Planning at Cardiff University in Wales for the 2004-05 academic year. Bjelland's research project examines the social and environmental implications of policies aimed at boosting the amount of new housing on reclaimed brownfield sites in the UK.

Luoheng Han, associate professor in the department of geography at the University of Alabama, was selected as a College of Arts and Sciences Leadership Board Fellow. The College's Leadership Board is comprised of ninety alumni who support the college through advocacy and financial contributions. The award is made by the board based upon a faculty member's demonstrated excellence in research, teaching and service. The appointment is for three years and carries an annual stipend of \$3,000 which can be used for travel, equipment, or student support.

Graham A. Tobin, department of geography, and **Linda Whiteford**, department of anthropology, at the

University of South Florida, have received \$171,727 funding from the Global Center for Disaster Management and Humanitarian Action to support their research in Ecuador on "Perception, Social Support and Chronic Exposure to Hazards: Human Health and Community Well-being." For the last five years, Tobin and Whiteford have been working in several communities located in shadow of the very active volcano, Mount Tungurahua. This ongoing research endeavor has focused on the social, economic, and health impacts of the continuing volcanic eruptions and periodic evacuations on the local residents. The goal is to refine and test a model of chronic exposure and health developed from the results of previous research projects.

Linda S. Fair, Ph.D. student at Rutgers University, has won an award of \$14,000 from the American-Scandinavian Foundation for her research on Muslim women and immigration policy reforms recently implemented by Denmark's conservative government.

Thomas Merrill, a junior double major

in geography and computer science at the University of Maine-Farmington has been selected as a 2004 George J. Mitchell Peace Scholar. The award will sponsor one semester of study at University College-Cork (Ireland). Merrill was selected for academic achievement, leadership qualities, and commitment to community service. He will receive free tuition, room, board, waiver of academic fees, and a travel stipend.

Chris De Sousa received a HUD Urban Scholars Postdoctoral Fellowship in the amount of \$51,000 for his research project entitled "Increasing Residential Development Activity on Urban Brownfields: An Examination of Redevelopment Trends, Developer Perceptions, and Future Prospects."

Richard Marston, professor at Oklahoma State University and AAG Vice President, along with Bill Fisher, has received a two-year, \$69,333 grant from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation to study "Fluvial Geomorphology of the Kiamichi River, Southeastern Oklahoma, as it Affects Freshwater Mussels." ■

Editor Sought for The Professional Geographer

The Association of American Geographers seeks applications and nominations for editor of *The Professional Geographer*. The new editor will be appointed for a four-year editorial term that will commence on January 1, 2005. The appointment will be made by October 2004.

The Professional Geographer is a forum for timely debates on geography's contribution to contemporary issues in the environment, in society, and the interplay between them. The editor for this journal will solicit, review, and accept for publication articles, comments, maps, technical notes, and other items appropriate for publication in *The Professional Geographer*, within publication-space limitations that will be determined annually. The AAG Council expects that the new editor will accept manuscripts from across the breadth and depth of

intellectual activity in contemporary American geography. The editor should be eager to act as an intellectual entrepreneur to attract the very best work being produced.

In support of these goals, each editor candidate should possess a distinguished record of scholarly achievement, a broad perspective on the discipline of geography, respect and affection for its diversity, and an ability to work constructively with authors during the review process. Institutional support for the new editor (especially some time released from teaching) is quite desirable, but not mandatory. The AAG will provide a modest stipend to be used for expenses and honorarium at the editor's discretion.

The editor will work in coordination with the AAG Journals Manager, located at the Meridian Place AAG office in

Washington, DC. The journals manager bears primary responsibility for the logistics of processing manuscripts and book reviews, and for assembling and coordinating the publication of each issue of the journal in collaboration with the journal's publisher.

A letter of application that addresses both qualifications and a vision for *The Professional Geographer* should be accompanied by a complete curriculum vitae. Applications should be made no later than August 30, 2004. Send applications or letters of nomination to: Chair, AAG Publications Committee, 1710 Sixteenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20009-3198. Nominations and applications (in Word or WordPerfect format) may be submitted electronically to profgeog@aag.org. ■

National Humanities Center Fellowships

The National Humanities Center (NHC) offers forty residential fellowships for advanced study in the humanities during the academic year 2005-06. Applicants must hold a doctorate or have equivalent scholarly credentials and a record of publication is expected.

Several designated awards are available for 2005-06.

Fellowships are available for up to \$50,000 on an individually determined basis, the amount depending upon the needs of the fellow and the center's ability to meet them.

Applicants should submit the center's form supported by a curriculum vitae, a 1,000-word project proposal, and three letters of recommendation. Application material and further information is available from: Fellowship Program, National Humanities Center, Post Office Box 12256, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709-2256, or from www.nhc.rtp.nc.us. Applications and letter of recommendation must be postmarked by October 15, 2004.

U.S. Institute of Peace: Awards and Fellowships

The U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP) invites applications for **Peace Scholar Awards**. The awards support the research and writing of doctoral dissertations addressing the sources and nature of international conflict and ways of preventing or ending conflict and sustaining peace. Dissertation projects from all disciplines are welcome; priority will be given to projects that contribute knowledge relevant to the formulation of policy on international peace and conflict issues.

Doctoral students at U.S. universities who will have completed all requirements for the doctoral degree except the dissertation by September 2005 are eligible for the fellowships. Citizens of any country are welcome to apply.

All candidates must submit an official application form, to be received by January 10, 2005. For further information

and an application, download materials from www.usip.org/fellows or call 202-429-3886.

The USIP also invites applications for **Senior Fellowships**. The fellowships support practitioners and scholars working on research projects concerning the sources and nature of international conflict and ways of preventing, managing, or resolving conflict. Priority will be given to proposals that promise to make a timely contribution to the understanding and resolution of ongoing and emerging international conflicts. The institute is especially interested in proposals addressing problems of the Muslim world, post-war reconstruction and reconciliation in Iraq and elsewhere, and responses to terrorism and political violence.

All candidates must submit an official application form, received by September 15, 2004. For further information and an application, download materials from www.usip.org or call 202-429-3886.

Rhodes Scholarships

Rhodes Scholarships bring outstanding students from around the world to the University of Oxford for two years of study, with the possibility of renewal for a third year. The selection committee seeks not only scholarly achievement, but excellence in qualities of mind and person which, in combination, offer the promise of effective service to the world in the decades ahead.

Applications are sought from talented students without restriction as to their field of academic specialization or career plans although the proposed course of study must be available at Oxford, and the applicant's undergraduate program must provide a sufficient basis for further study in the proposed field.

All educational costs, such as matriculation, tuition, laboratory, and certain other fees and allowances, are paid on the scholar's behalf by the Rhodes Trustees. For further information and application forms visit www.rhodescholar.org/. Applications must be postmarked no later than October 4, 2004.

Guggenheim Fellowships

Research in any field of knowledge and creation in any of the arts are eligible for consideration. Selection is based on a career synopsis, brief research proposal, and a letter from referees designated by the applicant. Fellows are appointed on the basis of distinguished achievement in the past and exceptional promise for future accomplishment. Second awards are not given. In 2004 the average award was \$37,362, which typically is used for a portion of the fellow's salary and research-related expenses.

This is an exceptional award and geographers have a record of continual success since the mid-1950s. It is hoped that a greater number of qualified geographers will compete in the future, including women. The application deadline has been October 1. Application materials can be obtained from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, 90 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10016, 212-687-4470, or from their Web site at <http://www.gf.org/>.

A comprehensive list of Guggenheim Fellows up to 2003 appears in the *AAG Guide to Geography Programs in North America, 2003-2004* on pages 347-348.

Institute for Advanced Study, Visiting Member Awards for 2005-06

The School of Social Science at the Institute for Advanced Study takes as its mission the analysis of societies and social change through the research and publications of its permanent members (faculty) and visiting members. While most applications come from the fields of economics, political science, law, psychology, sociology, and anthropology, scholars whose work is relevant to any aspect of the human sciences are urged to apply.

Each year the school of social science invites as members some fifteen to eighteen visiting scholars who constitute a genuinely interdisciplinary and international group. A completed doctorate or equivalent is required by the application deadline, and memberships are awarded at the junior and senior levels. Visiting members are expected

to pursue only their own research, but the school organizes a weekly seminar at which members as well as invited guests present their on-going work. The school is not wedded to any particular intellectual or disciplinary approach.

The theme for 2005-06 will be *Psychology and Economics*. (This theme is neither an exclusive nor excluding theme and will serve only as a limited part of the program.)

For more information and 2005-06 application materials, write to the Administrative Officer, School of Social Science, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey 08540; send email to ssapps@ias.edu; or visit www.sss.ias.edu/. Completed applications must be post-marked by November 15, 2004. No

applications will be considered from those who have not received a Ph.D. by the November 15, 2004 deadline.

Frederick Burkhardt Fellowships

The Frederick Burkhardt Fellowships, sponsored by the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), support more adventurous, more wide-ranging, and longer-term patterns of research than are current in the humanities and related social sciences. ACLS will provide funding for up to eleven recently tenured faculty, most of whom will spend a year at one of several residential research centers, including the Institute for Advanced Study. A scholar applying for the academic year 2005-06 must

normally have begun his/her tenured contract at a U.S. institution no earlier than the fall 2000 semester or quarter. Applicants must submit a research plan typically covering a three to five year period, during which time one year could be spent as a member at the Institute, either in the School of Historical Studies or the School of Social Science. Qualified candidates who would like to apply for affiliation with either school of the Institute for Advanced Study under the auspices of this program should visit the ACLS Web site (www.acls.org) for a more detailed description of the terms of the fellowship and information about how to apply. ■

Members of Note

Former AAG President, **Susan Cutter** and the SHELDUS database (Spatial Hazard Events and Losses Database for the United States) were featured in the May 7, 2004 issue of *Science* magazine. *Science* provided links to the database: <http://sheldus.org> or http://go2.cla.sc.edu/hazard/db_registration. SHELDUS is a geo-referenced dataset providing county-level data on eighteen different natural hazard event types and losses attributed to them for the period 1960-2000. The database represents a conservative estimate of losses during the time period.

A. Stewart Fotheringham received the Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) Research Professorship with funding of 2.5 million euros (approx. \$2.8 million or £1.6 million). He will become director of the newly formed National Centre for Geocomputation (NCG) at the National University of Ireland, Maynooth (NUIM). Under the current scheme, only twelve SFI Research Professorships will be awarded to attract world-class researchers to Ireland and they are restricted to the fields of biotechnology and information communications technology. The award thus recognises not

only Fotheringham's contributions to academic research but also the growing importance of GIS and spatial analysis within modern society. The NCG will be housed in new accommodation at NUIM where there will be opportunities to host visiting researchers and post-doctoral students. The NCG will also have available a number of Ph.D. fellowships which will pay all tuition fees and provide a generous stipend.

Anyone interested in visiting the NCG for any period of time is encouraged to contact Fotheringham at stewart.fotheringham@ncl.ac.uk until September 2004, and after that date at stewart.fotheringham@may.ie.

Derek H. Alderman, East Carolina University, was quoted in the *New York Times*, May 10, 2004, in a story titled "Honor for Dr. King Splits Florida City, and Faces Reversal." Alderman also contributed live interviews to BBC Radio and ABC Radio News Detroit about the



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politics of naming streets after Martin Luther King.

Neal Lineback has been named interim dean of Appalachian State University's College of Arts and Science for the 2004-05 academic year. Lineback came to Appalachian in 1986 as a professor of geography and chaired the department of geography and planning from 1986-98.

Neil Smith recently received the Los Angeles Times Book Prize for his biography *American Empire: Roosevelt's Geographer and the Prelude to American Empire*. Smith is currently distinguished professor in anthropology and geography at the City University New York.

Leslie Duram, associate professor of geography at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, has been asked to write columns on organic agriculture for cooperative grocery stores. She began writing the monthly columns for the local cooperative in Carbondale, Illinois, but these articles are now printed in newsletters in California, New Hampshire, and North Carolina, to name a few. ■

Specialty Group Competitions and Awards

Geography of the Bible

The Geography of the Bible Specialty Group (BCSG) of the AAG is seeking student papers to be given at the Denver meeting for consideration in the Amy Mather Student Award Competition. Papers submitted will be judged by a BCSG committee and must be presented at the Denver meeting. Award recipient(s) will be recognized at the AAG Awards Luncheon with a check and a certificate.

Information and the application form are available from any BCSG member. A completed application form, a copy of the AAG pre-registration form, a hard copy of the paper, and a disk or email copy of the paper should be sent by **October 1, 2004** to: William A. Dando, Chairperson, Geography of the Bible Specialty Group, Senior Scholars Academy (CN 401), Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN 47809.

Canadian Studies

The Canadian Studies Specialty Group (CSSG) will announce the winners of its 2005 student paper competition at the Denver meeting of the AAG. The competition is open to anyone who presents a paper on Canada, transborder issues (Canada/U.S.), and transnational issues concerning Canada at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the AAG or the Canadian Association of Geographers (CAG). The paper must be developed from graduate research (master's or Ph.D. level) and cannot be under review or accepted for publication by any peer-reviewed journal. Applicants must join the CSSG upon entry. The authors of the top four papers selected from the applicant pool will be expected to present their paper at the CSSG Student Paper Competition session at the 2005 AAG meeting in Denver. When conditions warrant, those students unable to travel to Denver will have their papers read by a member of the CSSG Awards Committee. The winning paper will receive a cash prize of \$300 and two consolation prizes of \$100 each will also be awarded.

Three copies of the paper must be received by the awards committee chair no later than **December 19, 2004**. The paper is limited to 8,000 words of text and must also include (1) name, (2) title, (3) institutional affiliation, (4) status, (5) contact information, (6) four keywords that describe the paper, and (7) a 150-word abstract. Please refer to the submission details of the *Annals of the AAG* for style requirements; failure to submit papers in correct format will result in disqualification. Forward the complete package to Soren Larsen, CSSG Awards Committee Chair, Department of Geology and Geography, Box 8149, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA 30460-8149; phone 912-681-0846; or email sclarsen@georgiasouthern.edu. The final four contestants will be notified by email regarding their participation in the CSSG Paper Competition Session by January 19, 2005. Please address questions to Soren Larsen via email or by phone at 912-681-0846.

Cartography and Remote Sensing

Students at all academic levels are invited to submit illustrated papers that advance any aspect of cartography and/or geospatial digital technologies to the 2005 Cartography and Geospatial Digital Technologies Student Illustrated Paper Competition.

An illustrated paper is a poster accompanied by a short (three to five minute) oral summary of the research problem, data, methods, and findings outlined in the accompanying poster. Illustrated papers must be based upon original work completed as an undergraduate or graduate student within the past academic year. The work must not have been published or presented elsewhere. Illustrated papers must be completed entirely by the applicant, however, thesis/dissertation advisors can be co-authors. Students who are selected as finalists will be placed in a special illustrated paper session at the annual meeting. Posters and oral summaries will be judged

on potential contribution to any of the sponsoring fields, originality, appropriate use of methodology, organization and composition, clarity, and appropriate use of graphics. Evaluation will take into account the academic level of the entrants.

Students who are interested should electronically submit an abstract and a copy of the email receipt received from the AAG online abstract submission process.

The deadline for abstract submission to this competition is **October 7, 2004**, two weeks prior to the final AAG abstract submission date.

Additional information on awards, poster formats, and oral summary formats will be posted at the Web page for the AAG Annual Meeting Call for Papers, the RSSG student stuff Web page (www.aagrsg.org/studstff.html), the Cartography Specialty Group Web page (www.csun.edu/%7Ehfge003/csg/activities.html), and the GISSG Web page (www.cla.sc.edu/gis/aaggis/notices.html).

For additional information contact Christine Erlien, Department of Geography, Campus Box, 3220 - Saunders Hall, UNC - Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3220.

Cultural Geography

The Cultural Geography Specialty Group (CGSG) is sponsoring a Graduate Student Research Grant Competition and a Student Paper Competition.

The (CGSG) Graduate Student Research Grant Competition aims to provide a measure of support for graduate students to conduct high quality research projects for their master's thesis or doctoral dissertation. The awards are competitive, and applications are judged individually on the basis of: (1) scholarly merit of the project, including cultural geographic significance of the research question and quality of the methodology; (2) organization and clarity of the proposal; and (3) qualifications of the student to conduct the proposed work. Each applicant must

be a student member of the AAG and the CGSG at the time of the award, and the proposed project should be part of her/his thesis or dissertation research. Normally, awards are made to one master's and one doctoral student each year. Awards are \$500 for doctoral work and \$500 for master's research and they may not be made in years when proposals are not suitable. Entries undergo review by the specialty group's awards committee. Six copies of the application must be received by the awards committee chair no later than **November 14, 2004**. The application consists of a 500-word proposal accompanied by a cover letter, an itemized budget, and a curriculum vitae. The proposal should present the research question, outline the methods and data employed, and summarize the expected results.

The winners of the grant competition will be contacted on or about January 15, 2005.

The CGSG Student Paper Competition is open to anyone who presents a cultural-geographic paper at a professional meeting between March 19, 2004 and April 9, 2005. The paper need not be presented at the AAG Annual Meeting but must be developed from graduate research. Prizes for the best master's paper and best Ph.D. student paper will be awarded. Ph.D. students who present a paper based on their M.A. or M.S. are eligible for the master's competition. Doctors who present a paper based on their Ph.D. work are eligible for the doctoral competition. Entries undergo blind review by a committee of faculty and student geographers. Winning papers will receive a cash prize of \$350. Judges have the choice of awarding an honorable mention at the master's and doctoral level, although this award may not carry any prize money. Papers entered in other specialty group competitions remain eligible for a CGSG award. Six copies of the paper must be received by the awards committee chair at the address below no later than **January 7, 2005**. The text of the paper is limited to twelve double-spaced, typed pages.

The winners of the paper competition will be contacted prior to the Denver meeting and invited to attend the awards luncheon with the CGSG chair. They

will be officially announced at the AAG's Denver meeting.

For both competitions do not use a font size less than twelve-point and there should be no margin less than one inch on the page. Include a cover letter with the author's name, competition level (master's or doctoral), academic institution, department or program, current address, phone number, and email. For the paper competition, also include the name and date of the professional meeting where the paper was or will be delivered. For the grant competition include your advisor's contact information. Forward the complete package to Soren Larsen, CGSG Awards Committee Chair, Department of Geology and Geography, Box 8149, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA 30460-8149; phone 912-681-0846; email sclarsen@georgiasouthern.edu. Please address questions to Soren Larsen.

Disability

Students are encouraged to submit papers relevant to issues in geography and disability to the 2005 Disability Specialty Group (DSG) Student Paper Competition. The goals of the award are to encourage student participation and to recognize outstanding papers that students have presented at conferences. The successful student will receive a cash prize of \$75, a year's membership to the DSG, and a ticket to the AAG Awards Luncheon. Students do not have to be a current member of the DSG or attend the 2005 AAG conference to participate.

Papers presented at any conference in 2004 or scheduled to be presented at the 2005 AAG conference are eligible. Each student may submit only one paper. Papers should be fifteen to twenty, double-spaced pages including all notes and figures. Twelve-point font is preferred. A cover letter should accompany all entries and contain: current title of the paper and a brief abstract (no more than 100 words), author and co-authors' names, academic affiliation, faculty advisor for the paper, mailing address, email address, and phone number.

All entries must be received by **January 14, 2005**. Email submission is preferable;

if this is not feasible, hard copies may be sent by mail. Both student representatives (reps) must receive a copy of the entry. One student rep will acknowledge the receipt by both student reps. Rep 1: Todd Reynolds, email tjreynolds@ou.edu or fax 405-325-6090. Rep 2: Maurizio Antoninetti, email mantonin@mail.sdsu.edu or phone 619-594-2776.

Students considering submitting are advised to contact both the DSG reps by email with any questions or concerns. One student rep will get back to you.

Reviewers will be secured and their recommendations will be sent to the DSG Board for the final award decision. If the DSG Board feels that no paper merits an award, this will be announced at the DSG Business Meeting.

Winner(s) will be announced and the cash award presented at the 2005 Disability Specialty Group Business Meeting in Denver. Winners will also be acknowledged on the DSG Web site.

Full details on the student paper competition are available at the DSG Web site (<http://courses.temple.edu/neighbor/service/disability&geography.html>).

Environmental Perception and Behavioral Geography

The Environmental Perception and Behavioral Geography Specialty Group (EP&BGSG) announces the 2005 Saarinen Student Paper Competition. The EP&BGSG will award a \$200 prize for the best student paper, illustrated paper, or poster (graduate or undergraduate) presented in either environmental perception or behavioral geography at the 2005 AAG Annual Meeting in Denver.

In addition, a maximum of five travel grants of \$85 each are available to qualified applicants who enter the Saarinen Student Paper Competition. To receive a travel grant, a student must (a) complete a Saarinen Student Paper Competition application form, (b) present their research at the Denver AAG convention, and (c) appear at the Denver business meeting of the EP&BGSG to receive the grant.

Entrants in the Saarinen Student Paper Competition must also submit a maximum

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twenty-five-page version of their work. Papers must be based upon original research done as an undergraduate or graduate student and must be written entirely by the applicant.

All submissions will be judged on written clarity, methodological soundness, and contribution to the field of EP&BG. The Academic Directors of the EP&BGSG will judge all entries. The deadline for receiving your Saarinen Competition application form and your paper submission is Friday, **February 11, 2005**.

To apply for the Saarinen Student Paper Competition and Travel Grant, fill out an application form available from the EP&BGSG Web site at: www.dean.usma.edu/geo/Geog/EPBG/index.htm. Alternatively, contact Dave Lemberg, 3529 Wood Hall, Department of Geography, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5424; phone 269-387-3408; email lemberg@wmich.edu; or Scott Freundsuh, Department of Geography, University of Minnesota-Duluth, Duluth, MN 55821; phone 218-726-6226; email sfreunds@d.umn.edu.

GIS

The GIS Specialty Group is pleased to announce the 2005 Honors Competition for Student Papers on geographic information systems (GIS) topics to be presented at the AAG Annual Meeting. The purpose of this competition is to promote scholarship and written and oral presentation by students in the field of GIS. Papers are invited from current graduate and undergraduate students on any topic in geographical information systems and geographic information science.

Any paper that advances any aspect of GIS is welcome. We especially encourage papers on theoretical, conceptual, and methodological developments in GIS rather than on particular applications. Papers must be based on original work, completed as an undergraduate or graduate student entirely by the applicant. Students who are selected as finalists will be placed in a special session at the annual meeting.

For additional information and applica-

tion procedures, please visit www.geog.ucsb.edu/~sara/html/research/gissg/. The deadline for abstract submission is **September 20, 2004**.

Geography Education

The Geography Education Specialty Group (GESG) supports two annual awards to foster recognition of outstanding student research and encourage student participation at the AAG Annual Meeting. Competition for the award is open to undergraduate and graduate students. Student papers will be placed in special sessions organized by the GESG. All participants will have their registration paid to the AAG Annual Meeting in Denver, April 5-9, 2005. Additionally, \$100 will be awarded to each winner and the GESG will pay for the winners to attend the awards luncheon.

Students must submit an abstract to the AAG. Additionally, your abstract and Program Identification Number (PIN) must be sent to Jan Smith at jssmit@ship.edu by **September 20, 2004**. A five to ten page summary of the paper is due to the GESG Awards Committee no later than March 5, 2005. If you have any questions about these awards, please do not hesitate to contact Jan Smith at the above email address.

Geography of Religions and Belief Systems

The David E. Sopher New Scholar Award of the Geography of Religions and Belief Systems (GORABS) Specialty Group promotes intellectual inquiry from new scholars into geographies of religions and belief systems through the presentation of papers at the AAG Annual Meeting. Papers will be judged on potential contribution to the field of geography of religions and belief systems, organization, and written composition.

Both graduate students and untenured faculty who are not serving on the GORABS board can apply for the award.

The amount for the 2005 award is a travel grant of \$250. The recipient will also be given an official certificate at the

AAG Awards Luncheon which they will attend as a guest with a GORABS representative.

A check will be disbursed to the winner at the 2005 GORABS Business Meeting during the AAG conference.

The paper and application form must be emailed to the GORABS chair in RichText or Microsoft Word format no later than midnight, **February 15, 2005**. The paper must subsequently be presented at the AAG Annual Meeting, though it does not have to be in a GORABS sponsored session. A panel of previous GORABS chairs will judge the papers and determine a recipient. The winner will be announced in time to attend the awards luncheon as a guest of GORABS. GORABS reserves the right to not make an award in a given year.

For more information please contact the present GORABS chair, Michael Ferber, at MFerber@geo.wvu.edu.

Hazards

The Hazards Specialty Group (HSG) announces the Jeanne X. Kasperson Student Paper Competition (for the Denver AAG Annual Meeting in 2005) and the Gilbert F. White Award.

The HSG invites students (graduate and undergraduate) who plan to participate in the Denver meeting to apply for the Jeanne X. Kasperson Student Paper Competition by submitting a 1,000-word abstract of the paper they propose to present to the specialty group chair by **August 15, 2004**. The five best papers will be identified and organized into a special session at the conference. These five winners will not only be spotlighted, but their registration fees for the meeting will be paid by the specialty group. Although papers may be co-authored, all authors must be students (no faculty co-authored papers will be considered). In addition, students entering this competition must be members of the AAG as the specialty group will pay the student registration fees for the winners, but not their membership fees in the association. Entrants will be notified prior to registration deadlines so that decisions

about participation may be made in response to, or in lieu of, the outcome of the competition.

The HSG also encourages students writing Ph.D. dissertations and master's theses to consider applying for the Gilbert F. White Award, which is awarded to the author of an outstanding hazards thesis or dissertation completed within the previous two years. Recipients of the White Award receive \$500, a plaque, and an autographed copy of White's two volume *Geography, Resources, and Environment*. Awards will be made at the Denver AAG Annual Meeting; applications must be received no later than **February 1, 2005**.

Please send abstracts for Kasperson award, applications for the White award, and direct all questions to Jerry Mitchell, HSG Chair, Department of Geography, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29205; or phone 803-777-1699.

Latin America

The Latin America Specialty Group will again hold a student paper competition for the 2005 Annual Meeting of the AAG. Prizes may be awarded in two divisions: the Ph.D. and master's levels. First prize is \$400, and second prize is \$250.

The competition is open to all students presenting a paper on an approved Latin America topic at the AAG Annual Meeting in Denver. Papers submitted for the competition are not due until **January 15, 2005**. However, students and advisors are reminded that the deadline for paper proposals is October 21, 2004. Proposals should be sent as attachments to David Robinson at drobins@maxwell.syr.edu who will forward them to the Paper Prize Committee. Please check the specialty group Web pages for more details: <http://sites.maxwell.syr.edu/clag/lasg.htm>.

Recreation, Tourism, and Sport

The Recreation, Tourism, and Sport (RTS) Specialty Group of the AAG welcomes submissions for its 2005 Student Paper Competition. Student-authored and presented papers for the 2005 AAG Annual Meeting that address topics germane to recreation, tourism, or sport geography

are eligible for consideration. Entrants must be members of the AAG. A paper abstract should be emailed to the RTS Chair, Deborah Che, at deborah.che@wmich.edu by **October 8, 2004**. The final written paper is due on March 21, 2005. For additional information on the paper competition guidelines, please see www.geog.nau.edu/rts/stu-ppr.html.

Remote Sensing

The Remote Sensing Specialty Group (RSSG) of the AAG announces the 2004-05 Honors Competition for Student Papers. Students at all academic levels are invited to submit original research on all topics in the field of remote sensing. Research must have been completed within the past academic year, during the author's undergraduate or graduate studies, and can include thesis and dissertation topics. Papers must be written entirely by the applicant however, thesis and dissertation advisors can be co-authors on the papers. Papers will be presented at the AAG's 2005 Annual Meeting.

Students who are interested should electronically submit (1) an *extended* abstract, (2) the advisor's form, and (3) a copy of the email receipt received from the AAG online abstract submission process.* Guidelines for the extended abstract and advisor's form are posted at the RSSG student stuff Web page (www.aagrsg.org/studstff.html). The deadline for abstract submission to this competition is **September 30, 2004**, three weeks prior to the final AAG abstracts submission date, to allow non-finalists to be placed in other sessions of their choice. Up to fifteen finalists will be chosen.

First, second, and third place awards will be determined immediately following the competition sessions and awarded at the awards luncheon. The prizes are: \$500 for the first place paper, \$250 for second place, and \$150 for third place. An undergraduate award may also be made to an outstanding undergraduate researcher. The awards luncheon fee will be covered for all winners. The committee reserves the right to not offer such prizes if the papers are not of appropriate quality.

Papers will be evaluated on content,

research design and overall quality. Presentations will be evaluated on the content, visual aids, and overall presentation quality. The academic level of the entrants will be taken into account during the evaluation process.

Submit all materials by email to the RSSG Student Co-Director Christine Erlien at: erlien@email.unc.edu. Please use "2005 AAG-RSSG Student Honors Paper Competition" as the email subject line. The advisor's form may be submitted separately. You will not be considered for the competition without submitting this information to the RSSG student co-director by the deadline above.

For additional information contact Christine Erlien, Department of Geography, Campus Box, 3220 - Saunders Hall, UNC - Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3220.

*Before you can submit an extended abstract to the RSSG competition, you must submit a 250-word abstract to the AAG at www.aag.org. Note that the AAG abstract is a different abstract format than the competition extended abstract.

Rural Geography

The Rural Geography Specialty Group (RGSG) Awards Committee seeks nominations for the John Fraser Hart Award for Research Excellence, the Donald Q. Innis Award, the RGSG Student Paper Competition, and the Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in Rural and Agricultural Geography. For all awards except the student award, scholars must be members of both the AAG and RG. Candidates may be nominated by any AAG member.

The John Fraser Hart Award was established to recognize the contributions of John Fraser Hart and is presented to recognize a scholar who has achieved and maintained excellence in the fields of agricultural and/or rural geography research.

Nominees are requested to submit two copies of their current curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of three referees to the awards committee. The committee's recommendation will be forwarded to the RGSG Board of Directors for a final decision. The award winner will receive an

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engraved plaque and will be honored at the RCGS Business Meeting and at the AAG Awards Luncheon. Please send nominations by **January 1, 2005**.

The Donald Q. Innis Award was established to recognize the contributions of Donald Q. Innis and is presented to recognize research excellence in rural development. Nominees will be requested to submit two copies (one paper and one electronic) of the publication to be considered to the awards committee. The committee's recommendation will be forwarded to the RG Board of Directors for a final decision. The award winner will receive an engraved plaque and be an honored guest at the RCGS Business Meeting and at the AAG Awards Luncheon. Please send nominations by **January 1, 2005**.

The RCGS invites students who will be presenting in any RCGS-sponsored session at the Denver AAG Annual Meeting to enter the RCGS Student Paper Competition. A \$100 prize is awarded for the best student paper. The competition is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. To enter the competition, students must submit three copies of their abstract to Kenneth Dangel (address below) by March 1, 2005. Faculty are asked to encourage students who will be presenting a paper on agriculture, rural development, or rural land use to enter the competition. All students entering the competition will be required to submit a completed copy of their paper to the RCGS Awards Committee at the presentation in Denver. Paper abstracts must be received by **March 1, 2005**.

The RCGS Awards Committee also seeks nominations for the Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in Rural and Agricultural Geography. The award was established to recognize individuals whose accomplishments have distinguished them at a level above and beyond their peers. Nominees will be requested to submit two copies of their current curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of three referees to the awards committee. The committee's recommendation will be forwarded to the RCGS Board of Directors for a final

decision. The award winner will receive an engraved plaque and be the guest of honor at a RCGS reception. Please send nominations in by **January 1, 2005**.

All awards nominations and materials should be sent to: Kenneth C. Dangel, Department of History, Philosophy, and Geography, Missouri Western State College, 4525 Downs Drive, St. Joseph, MO 64507; or email dangelke@mwsc.edu.

Spatial Analysis & Modeling

The Spatial Analysis and Modeling (SAM) Specialty Group of the AAG announces two paper competitions for the 2005 AAG Annual Meeting in Denver. One competition will be a student paper competition for any research conducted while a student is at an accredited university. The second will be an emerging scholar paper competition for anyone within six years of his/her Ph.D. degree at the time of the 2005 AAG meeting. Each competition will have a total of \$500 in prizes. The winner(s) will also be invited to submit the manuscript for publication in *Geographical Analysis*, subject to the standard review process of the journal.

Papers may be of a theoretical or applied nature and will be judged on the following criteria: (1) potential contribution to the use of mathematical models, statistical techniques and other technological and computational approaches for analyzing spatial phenomena in any sub-field of geography; (2) appropriate and sound use of methodology; (3) originality; and (4) organization and written composition of the paper.

For the student paper competition papers must be a single-authored and based on research primarily conducted while a student was at an accredited university. The entrant needs not be a student at the time of the AAG meeting. For the emerging scholar competition papers must be single-authored by an author within six years of his/her Ph.D. from an accredited degree program at the time of the 2005 AAG meeting.

Entrants may only participate in one of the two competitions in a given year.

Entrants will present their papers in an AAG session sponsored or co-sponsored

by the SAM specialty group. Persons wishing to enter either paper competition should notify either Chair David Wong (dwong2@gmu.edu) or Vice-Chair Fahui Wang (fwang@niu.edu) shortly after the AAG's abstract deadline so that SAM officers can coordinate with the AAG to place competition papers in appropriate sessions.

A panel of three judges will review the papers before the AAG meeting. The winner(s), if any, will be announced at the SAM Specialty Group Business Meeting and at the AAG Awards Luncheon; winners should be available to attend the luncheon. The judges' decision, including the possibility of not awarding a prize, is final. ■

Specialty Group News

Climate

The Climate Specialty Group made the following awards in their annual Student Paper Competition held at the AAG Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. Greg Goodrich (Arizona State University) took first place and a cash prize of \$100 and an Amazon.com book certificate of \$75. Walker Ashley (University of Georgia) took second place, a cash prize of \$75 and a book certificate worth \$50. Adam Kalkstein (Arizona State University) garnered third place, a cash award of \$50 and a \$25 book certificate. Honorable mentions went to Jill Coleman (Ohio State University) and Grady Dixon (Arizona State University), each carrying a cash award of \$25. Book certificates were supplied by Prentice Hall Publishing Company.

GIS

The GIS Specialty Group made awards in the 2004 Honors Competition for Student Papers on geographic information systems (GIS) topics, to Scott A. Bridwell (Utah) and Lei Wang (Texas A&M). A list of previous awardees may be found at www.geog.ucsb.edu/~sara/html/research/gissg/past.html. ■

In Memorium: Torsten Hägerstrand (1916-2004)

On May 3, 2004, Torsten Hägerstrand died in Lund aged eighty-seven years. Thousands of colleagues worldwide will mourn the loss of this uniquely-gifted scholar and deeply cherished friend.

Born to a school-teacher's family in Småland, Torsten became one of Sweden's most internationally influential geographers, pioneering fresh directions not only in scientific research but also in rendering its fruits relevant for regional development policy, environmental management, and urban planning. Earning his doctoral degree from Lund University in 1953 he became professor of geography there in 1957, and after 1971 assumed a personal professorship with the Research Council for Humanities and Social Sciences (HSFR). With the exception of a few sojourns abroad, his long and fruitful career was spent entirely at Lund University; in fact, his work helped to make Lund a kind of mecca for geographers around the world.

Torsten Hägerstrand's name is renowned for pioneering work in time geography, human migration, diffusion of information and technology, geocoding, urbanization, and modelling of processes involving society and environment. Within Sweden he contributed to the work of many government commissions on issues related to regional policy (1977-83), and from 1974 chaired the Committee on Future Oriented Research (SALFO) and the Swedish Council for Planning and Coordination of Research (FRN). Abroad he was member of the Council of Europe

project *Europe 2000* (1968-75), member of the EFTA Working Party on Regional Policy (1966-68) and chair of the EFTA Working Party on New Patterns of Settlement (1972-73). He was president of the Regional Science Association (1968-69), vice-president of the European Science Foundation (1978-83), vice-president of the International Geographical Union (1968-76) and was founding member of *Academia Europaea*.

He travelled widely in Europe and America and was the recipient of several awards, including honorary doctoral degrees from Universities of Glasgow (1971), Edinburgh (1974), Bristol (1985), Ohio State (1985), and the Norwegian School of Economics (1986). He was awarded the Charles P. Daly Medal of the American Geographical Society (1966), the Outstanding Achievement Award of the Association of American Geographers (1968), the Vitus Bering Medal of the Danish Geographical Association (1970), the Anders Retzius Medal of the Swedish Society for Anthropology and Geography (1973), the Victoria Medal of the Royal Geographical Society (1979) and the *Laureat d'Honneur* of the International Geographical Union (1984). He was a member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, the Royal Academy of History, Letters and Antiquities, and the Royal Academy of Engineering Sciences. He was honorary member of the Norwegian Academy, the American Academy of Arts



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and Sciences, the Finnish Academy of Science, and Corresponding Fellow of the British Academy.

Throughout his career Torsten worked tirelessly to build bridges between the natural and the human sciences as well as to promote international cooperation on issues of environment and

development. I had the privilege of working closely with him on several projects since 1971, the most ambitious of which was an International Dialogue Project initiated in 1978 which invited reflections on career experiences by scholars and professionals in a wide range of countries. This project enabled fresh approaches to one of his life-long concerns about problems related to sector specialization in science and planning and his genuine wish that societies could learn from each other's experiences. In all his endeavours he could always count on the generous support of his wife Britt who welcomed so many of us at their home in Lund. He will be sorely missed by her and by his three children Eva, Karin, and Stig and their families.

Torsten Hägerstrand's generosity, courage and cordiality—no less that his brilliant intellectual leadership—have bequeathed an invaluable treasure and challenge for many generations to come within the international geographical community. *Requiescat in pace.* ■

Anne Buttimer, IGU President
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Reflections on Torsten Hägerstrand (1916-2004)

World geography has lost, in my estimation, its finest practitioner of the twentieth century. No other person so convincingly yet modestly exemplified a commitment to geography as a science and as a humanity, to the pursuit of theory, and to

the use of the best methods, whether quantitative or qualitative. Torsten Hägerstrand's contribution to both theory and method predated, already by 1953, the first stirrings in the U.S. and the UK. His term as a visiting professor at the University of Washington in 1958,

and subsequent participation in meetings and symposia in 1959 and 1960, profoundly influenced the course of the "quantitative revolution" and the future development of British and American geography, initially through the topics of

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migration and of innovation diffusion, and the method of the Monte Carlo simulation, and through the careers of many, including Allan Pred, Peter Gould, Larry Brown, Anne Buttner, myself, and many others. Hagerstrand's later work on time geography and broader modelling of society and environment was certainly as far-reaching. Another significant dimension was the grounding of most of his work on observation of individual people in actual places, but which served to illustrate and corroborate broad theory. I saw this in action as I participated in several field trips he led in 1960 and 1961, and when he and twenty other faculty and students from Lund joined me in a three-week bus exploration of the U.S. in the summer of 1964. Besides he was a great, gentle and kind person. Much will and should be written in the future as we celebrate this remarkable life. ■

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GIScience 2004 Registration

Registration is now available online for GIScience 2004. GIScience 2004 is the follow-up meeting to the highly successful GIScience 2000 and 2002 conferences with over 300 researchers attending each time. The 2004 conference will again bring together scientists from academia, industry, and government to analyze progress and to explore new research directions. It will focus on emerging topics and basic research findings across all sectors of geographic information science. The conference program aims to attract leading GIScience researchers from all fields to reflect the interdisciplinary breadth of GIScience, including cognitive science, computer science, engineering, geography, information science, mathematics, philosophy, psychology, social science, and statistics.

Confirmed keynote speakers for GIScience 2004 are Mark Gahegan, Pennsylvania State University; Lotfi Zadeh, Berkeley Initiative in Soft Computing, University of California, Berkeley; Ben Shneiderman, Human Computer Interaction Laboratory, University of Maryland; Jean Serra, Centre de Morphologie Mathématique, Ecole des Mines de Paris; Liqiu Meng, Technical University of Munich; Michael Batty, Center for Advanced Spatial Analysis, University College, London; and Peter Weiss, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/National Weather Service.

The conference will be held October 20-23, 2004, at the Inn and Conference Center, University of Maryland, close to Washington, DC. Attendees may register for the conference at www.giscience.org or www.aag.org/giscience2004/.

Necrology

George F. Carter

Geographer George F. Carter died March 16, 2004.

Carter earned his A.B. in anthropology at the University of California, Berkeley, and then worked as curator of anthropology at the San Diego Museum of Man (1934-38). In 1942 he earned his Ph.D. in geography under Carol O. Sauer at the University of California, Berkeley.

Carter served as an analyst for the Office of Strategic Services (1942-43, 1945), before entering academia definitively. He taught from 1943-67 in the Isaiah Bowman Department of Geography at the Johns Hopkins University (where he was chair 1944-58) and afterward as Distinguished Professor Geography at Texas A&M University until his retirement in 1978.

Carter was a noted scholar in the field of early transoceanic spreads of culture and "Early Man" in America.

Larry Hargrave

Larry Hargrave, 61, of Medford, Oregon died May 15, 2004, at home surrounded by family and friends after a battle with leukemia.

Hargrave completed his undergraduate work at Southern Oregon University and had just received his master's in geography from Miami University in Ohio. He returned to school after full careers first in the lumber industry and then as a financial consultant.

Arthur E. Karinen

Arthur E. Karinen, professor emeritus in geography, passed away May 25, 2004, at the age of eighty-five.

Karinen earned his B.A. and M.A. from University of California-Berkeley. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Maryland.

Karinen joined the California State University-Chico faculty in 1959 and retired in 1986. Prior to coming to Chico, Karinen had held positions at Ohio State, University of Maryland and the Helsinki School of Economics.

He was a member of the AAG and the American Congress on Surveying Mapping.

An expert in cartography and the economic geography of Europe, Karinen was a consultant to the U.S. Department of Commerce in 1958-59 and was a Fulbright Lecturer at the University of Finland in 1970. He contributed to many atlases and publications, and was co-author of *California: Land of Contrast* and *California*, both of which went through several editions and revisions. ■

Intersections of Place and Literature

Contributions are invited for a critical anthology exploring intersections of place and literature. Topics can include, but are not limited to: cities, landscape, culture, dreams, ethnicity, sex, heritage, meadows, villages, history, mountains, and/or water. While the anthology will concentrate on new writing, some previously published (or forthcoming) works are invited if they significantly advance the project's intellectual investigation. Alternative formats/styles will be considered if they enhance the project's line of inquiry and help to cast a variant light the book's more traditional articles. Please send two copies of your abstract and/or article to: Anne F.

Walker, Department of English #1030, 322 Wheeler Hall, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720-1030.

Direct all inquiries to the editors: Anne F. Walker (afw@socrates.berkeley.edu) and Margo Ponce (drmaponce@yahoo.com).

The deadline for submissions is August 15, 2004.

3rd Annual Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities

The 3rd Annual Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities will be held from January 13-16, 2005 in Honolulu, Hawaii. The conference will provide opportunities for academicians and professionals from arts and humanities related

fields to interact with members inside and outside their own particular disciplines. Cross-disciplinary submissions with other fields are welcome.

Conference organizers encourage papers/abstracts/submissions in the form of completed research papers, abstracts of completed or proposed research, student research papers, work-in-progress reports or proposals for future projects, and reports on issues related to teaching.

For more information about submissions see: www.hichumanities.org/cfp_artshumanities.htm. Submission deadline is August 31, 2004. The conference Web site is www.hichumanities.org. ■

Award Deadlines

JULY

1. PERISHIP Dissertation Fellowship Awards. Contact periship@riskinstitute.org.

AUGUST

1. Fulbright Traditional Lecturing Grants. www.cies.org.

SEPTEMBER

1. GENIP/Travelocity Award nominations. Contact Sarah Bednarz at Department of Geography, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843-3147.

1. National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship Programs at Independent Research Institutions. www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/fpiri.html.

15. AAG Honorary Geographer nominations. Contact Ehsan Khater at ekhater@aag.org.

15. U.S. Institute of Peace Senior Fellowships. www.usip.org.

OCTOBER

1. Woodrow Wilson Center Fellowships. www.wilsoncenter.org.

1. National Endowment for the

Humanities Summer Stipends. www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/stipends.html.

1. Guggenheim Fellowships. www.gf.org.
4. Rhodes Scholarships. www.rhodes-scholar.org.

7. J. Warren Nystrom Award. www.aag.org/annualmeetings/Call_For_Papers/nystrom.htm.

15. National Endowment for the Humanities Grants for Teaching and Learning Resources and Curriculum Development. www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/teachinglearning.html.

15. National Humanities Center Fellowships. www.nhc.rtp.nc.us.

15. McColl Family Fellowship. www.amergeog.org.

21. AAG Enrichment Funds for 2005 Annual Meeting. www.aag.org/Grantsawards/index.cfm.

30. Young Scholar's Prize in Romani Studies. Contact Sheila Salo at ssalo@capaccess.org.

NOVEMBER

1. James R. Anderson Medal of Honor. www.aag.org/Grantsawards/index.cfm.

1. National Endowment for the

Humanities Collaborative Research Grants. www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/collaborative.html.

DECEMBER

1. Title VIII Research Scholarships. Contact Edita Krunkaityte at krunkaityte@wwic.si.edu.

31. Glenda Laws Award. www.aag.org/Grantsawards/index.cfm.

31. Meredith F. Burrill Award. www.aag.org/Grantsawards/index.cfm.

31. George and Viola Hoffman Award. www.aag.org/Grantsawards/Hoffmanfund.html.

31. J. B. Jackson Prize. www.aag.org/Grantsawards/jackson_prize.cfm.

31. AAG Globe and Meridian Book Awards. www.aag.org/Grantsawards/index.cfm.

31. Anne U. White Fund. www.aag.org/grantsawards/index.cfm.

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JANUARY

10. U.S. Institute of Peace, Peace Scholar Awards. www.usip.org/fellows. ■

Books Received

Bresnahan, Timothy and Alfonso Gambardella, eds. *Building High-Tech Clusters: Silicon Valley and Beyond*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004. 369 and 10 pp., \$85.00, ISBN 0-521-82722-1.

Buckely, Geoffrey L. *Extracting Appalachia: Images of the Consolidation Coal Company 1910-1945*. Athens, Ohio: Ohio University Press, 2004. 215 and 23 pp., \$22.95, ISBN 0-8214-1556-5 (paper).

Bunnell, Tim. *Malaysia, Modernity, and the Multimedia Super Corridor: A Critical Geography of Intelligent Landscapes*. London and New York: Routledge, 2004. 203 and 12 pp., \$95.00, ISBN 0-415-25634-8.

Campbell, Gwyn, ed. *The Indian Ocean Rim: Southern Africa and Regional Cooperation*. London and New York: Routledge, 2003. 268 pp., \$90.00, ISBN 0-700-71344-1.

Chatterjee, Deen K., ed. *The Ethics of Assistance: Morality and the Distant Needy*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004. 292 and 11 pp., \$65.00, ISBN 0-521-82042-1.

Cohen, Shaul E. *Planting Nature: Trees and the Manipulation of Environmental Stewardship in America*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2004. 210 and 13 pp., \$34.95, ISBN 0-520-23770-6.

Corbridge, Stuart, Sarah Jewitt, and Sanjay Kumar. *Jharkhand: Environment, Development, Ethnicity*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2004. 370 and 13 pp., n.p., ISBN 0-19-566770-0.

Donkin, Robin A. *Between East and West: The Moluccas and the Traffic in Spices Up to the Arrival of Europeans*. Canton, MA: American Philosophical Society, 2003. 274 and 20 pp., \$40.00, ISBN 0-87169-248-1.

Evenenden, Matthew D. *Fish versus Power: An Environmental History of the Fraser River*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004. 309 and 17 pp., \$65.00, ISBN 0-521-83099-0.

Fagan, Brian M. *The Great Journey: The Peopling of Ancient America, Updated Edition*. Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida, 2003. 288 and 23 pp., \$24.95, ISBN 0-8130-2756-X.

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Gudis, Catherine. *Buyways: Billboards, Automobiles, and the American Landscape*. London and New York: Routledge, 2004. 333 and 8 pp., \$22.00, ISBN 0-415-93445-9.

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Kohn, Margaret. *Brave New Neighborhoods: The Privatization of Public Space*. London and New York: Routledge, 2004. 232 and 7 pp., \$22.95, ISBN 0-415-94463-5.

Lew, Alan A., Michael Hall, and Allan M. Williams, eds. *A Companion to Tourism*. Malden, MA: Blackwell, 2004. 622 and 18 pp., \$124.95, ISBN 0-631-23564-7.

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Power, Marcus. *Rethinking Development Geographies*. London and New York: Routledge, 2003. 273 and 12 pp., \$31.95, ISBN 0-415-25079-X.

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Smil, Vaclav. *China's Past, China's Future: Energy, Food, Environment*. London and New York: Routledge Curzon, 2004. 232 and 16 pp., \$30.95, ISBN 0-415-31499-2.

Steinberg, Michael K., Joseph J. Hobbs, and Kent Mathewson, eds. *Dangerous Harvest: Drug Plants and the Transformation of Indigenous Landscapes*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2004. 325 and 8 pp., n.p., ISBN 0-19-514319-1.

Swyngedouw, Erik. *Social Power and the Urbanization of Water: Flows of Power*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2004. 209 pp., £45.00, ISBN 0-19-823391-4.

Tishkov, Valery. *Chechnya: Life in a War-Torn Society*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2004. 284 and 18 pp., \$19.95, ISBN 0-520-23888-5.

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AAG welcomes these new members whose memberships were processed during the last month.

Ahlqvist, Ola, University Park, PA
 Aliberti, Vincenzo,
 Harrow, ON, Canada
 Aworh, Bielosa, Cincinnati, OH
 Bell Kline, Barbara, Sarasota, FL
 Bernado, Dominic, Anchorage, AK
 Blazier, Bernhard, Austin, TX
 Bones, Katie, Powell Butte, OR
 Bowden, Derek, Salisbury, MD
 Brandston, Lori, Jamaica, NY
 Burke, Richard, East Greenbush, NY
 Califano, Alessandro, L'Aquila, Italy
 Eicher, Cory, Redlands, CA
 Foster, Jeffrey, Los Angeles, CA
 Gladden, Robert, Dayton, OH
 Goodwin, Elizabeth
 Greg, McDermid, Calgary, AB, Canada
 Hafeman, Lori
 Hammerberg, Jeffery, Kalamazoo, MI
 Haslim, Alvin, Rowland Heights, CA
 Hockenberry, Todd, Seattle, WA
 Holcomb, Jason, Morehead, KY

Hutcheon, Rebecca, Auckland,
 New Zealand
 Ito, Chiaki
 Jack, Syrion, Paterson, NJ
 Jackson, Keith, Portland, OR
 Jareb, Steven, Long Beach, CA
 Kafarowski, Joanna, Gabriola, BC, Canada
 LaBelle, Michael, Bristol, England
 Leffell, Cindy, New Haven, CT
 Lukas, Vicki, Seattle, WA
 Lyons, David, Sartell, MN
 McWaters, Michele, Charleston, SC
 Meyers, Michael, Maryville, TN
 Michelle, Martinez, Austin, TX
 Milson, Andrew, Hewitt, TX
 Nagler, Pamela, Tucson, AZ
 Newman, Lynn, Scottsdale, AZ
 Pak, Maylian, Eugene, OR
 Pikovskaya, Yelena, Nutley, NJ
 Price, Maribeth, Rapid City, SD
 Rasper, Anita, Colorado Springs, CO
 Riddile, Jonathan, Bethesda, MD

Robinson, Yosef, Cote Saint-Luc,
 PQ, Canada
 Rush, James, Grand Forks, ND
 Russell, Brandenburg, Loveland, OH
 Saunders, Hugh, III
 Sheehan, Daniel, Mahopac, NY
 Small II, Norman, Norfolk, NE
 Smith, Valerie, Lake Worth, FL
 Thibeault, Jeanne, Spencer, MA
 Todd, Stella, Longmont, CO
 Todorow, Sasha, Salt Lake City, UT
 Trusty, Rachel, Menlo Park, CA
 Tukmacheva, Anna, Olympia, WA
 Waltman, Sharon, Lincoln, NE
 Weilert, Trina, Altamonte Springs, FL
 Winemiller, Terance, Montgomery, AL
 Worker, Esther, Broomfield, CO
 Wright, Julie, Coquitlam, BC, Canada
 Wrobel, Dawn, Beecher, IL
 Zabala, Jennilyn, Cypress, CA ■

Geographic Centers

University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

A University of Minnesota team, captained by geography Ph.D. student Frank Shockey, won the 2004 College Bowl National Championship Tournament (NCT). The five-person team also included

geography undergraduate Ray Anderson.

In each game of the college bowl, two teams of four players each compete to answer questions in academic subject areas including history, science, literature, geography, religion, social sciences, the

arts as well as sports, current events, general knowledge, popular culture, and multicultural topics.

For more information on the College Bowl NCT winners visit www.collegebowl.com/nct04/pressrelease.asp. ■

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Tomlinson, Richard, Robert A. Beauregard, Lindsay Bremner, and Xolela Mangcu, eds. *Emerging Johannesburg: Perspectives on the Postapartheid City*. London and New York: Routledge, 2003. 305 and 15 pp., \$26.95, ISBN 0-415-93559-8.

Turner, B.L. II, Jacqueline Geohegan, and David R. Foster, eds. *Integrated Land-Change Science and Tropical Deforestation in the Southern*

Yucatan: Final Frontiers. New York: Oxford University Press, 2004. 320 and 21 pp., \$90.00, ISBN 0-19-924530-4.

Ziewitz, Kathryn and June Wiaz. *Green Empire: The St. Joe Company and the Remaking of Florida's Panhandle*. Gainesville, FL: University Press of Florida, 2004. 364 and 15 pp., \$34.95, ISBN 0-8130-2697-0.

Correction:

The deadline for the Nystrom Award Papers is October 7, 2004.

Jobs in Geography

UNITED STATES

ALABAMA, AUBURN 36849. The Geography program of the Department of Geology and Geography at Auburn University. One-year temporary **Instructor or Visiting Assistant Professor** (75% appointment) beginning Fall Semester (mid-August). Ph.D. in **Geography** preferred; ABD in Geography considered. Teaching responsibilities include three courses per semester, including large sections of our Core Curriculum introductory course. Other areas of specialization in human/cultural geography, especially urban and economic geography, preferred. Candidates must submit a short letter of application describing their teaching experience, a curriculum vitae, and names and addresses of three referees. Candidate must be currently eligible for employment in the United States, and must be able to communicate in the language of instruction. Review of applications will begin 01 June 2004 and continue until a candidate is recommended for appointment. Auburn University is an affirmative action-equal opportunity employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. JUN 04-80.

Apply to: Tom L. Martinson, Geography Search Committee Chair, Department of Geology and Geography, 108 Tichenor Hall.

Applications may be e-mailed to martitl@auburn.edu, with copy to Phillip Chaney at chanep1@auburn.edu.

***CALIFORNIA, REDLANDS.** **Enterprise GIS Program Manager.** ESRI seeks a contracts/program manager to coordinate its enterprise GIS site license program. Responsibilities include translating IT business and budgetary requirements of large multisite organizations into successful enterprisewide commercial/government license agreements; providing sales support to government and commercial clients; and working with contracts and sales teams on contract negotiations. Requirements include a bachelor's degree in business/related field and minimum of five years contract administration experience, preferably in the commercial software/services industry. AUG 04-95.

To apply: send cover letter and resume to jobs@esri.com or apply online at www.esri.com/careers. Please code AAG/MD.

***DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 20009.** The AAG is now accepting applications for an internship

funded by the Geography Education National Implementation Project (GENIP). We are seeking an **intern** to assist in the development of a Careers in Geography database and recruitment materials for middle school, high school, and undergraduate and graduate students.

Applicants for this position should have strong written and verbal communication skills; have strong competency in Microsoft Office software; and have some proficiency in graphic design, multimedia, and Web development.

Interns working in the AAG's Washington, DC offices will get a first-hand look at geography's leading professional association through assisting in daily operations and projects, attending meetings with government and private organizations, and working in a friendly office environment in the heart of the nation's capital.

The position is for six to twelve months commencing September 1, 2004, with a monthly stipend of \$1,000.

Email a letter of interest, resume, and two

references to Michael Solem (msolem@aag.org) before August 1, 2004.

***DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON 20037.** World Wildlife Fund (WWF) seeks a **Marine Conservation Specialist** (job #24072) to analyze biodiversity patterns and design conservation seascapes for priority marine ecoregions. The ideal candidate will have a Master's degree in a related field (Geography, Marine Ecology, etc.); two years of conservation experience; expertise with GIS, relational databases, and remote sensing-associated tools; knowledge of global patterns of biodiversity and conservation issues; excellent analytical, writing, speaking, and interpersonal skills; and the ability to work independently. Willingness to travel frequently, often to remote locations, required. Knowledge of Spanish or other languages useful. Position is based in Washington, DC.

AA/EOE Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Please send cover letter and resume by email to the address below. AUG 04-89.

"Jobs in Geography" lists positions available with US institutions who are Equal Opportunity Employers seeking applications from men and women from all racial, religious, and national origin groups, and occasional positions with foreign institutions.

Rates: Minimum charge of \$150. Listings will be charged at \$1.25 per word. Announcements run for two consecutive issues unless a stated deadline permits only one listing. The charge for running an announcement more than twice is one-third the original charge for each subsequent listing. We will bill institutions listing jobs after their announcements appear in JIG for the first time.

Deadline: JIG announcements must reach the AAG *before the first of the month* to appear in JIG for the following month (eg: 1 January for February issue). Readers will receive their Newsletter copies between the 5th and the 15th of the month. Schedule job closing dates with these delivery dates in mind.

Format: Announcements should be sent as an attachment or in the body of an e-mail to jig@aag.org. The announcements must be saved in Microsoft Word 5.0 or greater, or Corel WordPerfect 6 or greater. No job announcements accepted by phone. Follow format and sequence of current JIG listings. All positions are full-time and permanent unless otherwise indicated. State explicitly if positions are not firm. Employers are responsible for the accuracy and completeness of their listings. JIG will not publish listings that are misleading or inconsistent with Association policy. Employers should notify the Editor to cancel a listing if the position is filled. The Editor reserves the right to edit announcements to conform with established format. All ads must be in English.

Display ads are also available. Ads will be charged according to size: 1/6 page (2 1/4" x 5") \$335; 1/3 page vertical (2 1/4" x 10") \$475; 1/3 page square (4 3/4" x 4 3/4") \$475; 1/2 page horizontal (7" x 5") \$625; 2/3 page vertical (4 3/4" x 10") \$750; Full page (7" x 10") \$900. Display ads run for one month only.

Affirmative Action Notice: The AAG Affirmative Action Committee requires job listers to send to the JIG Editor the name, academic degree, sex, and rank of each person appointed as a result of an announcement in JIG.

Geographer Available. A service for AAG members only. Send personal listings of 50 words or less, following the format of current listings. Listings run for two consecutive issues. Enclose \$25 with listing. A blind listing service is available - the editor will assign a box number and forward inquiries to the member listed.

** Indicates a new listing*

Apply: hr@wwfus.org, by fax: (202) 293-9211, or by mail: World Wildlife Fund, Human Resources Dept. #24072, 1250 24th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037.

For more info: www.worldwildlife.org. No telephone inquiries please.

Reviews of applications will begin June 1, 2004 and will continue until position is filled.

***GEORGIA, ATHENS 30602.** University of Georgia. The Department of Geography seeks a scholar to serve as **Director of the Center for Remote Sensing and Mapping Science (CRMS)**. This is a **faculty position at associate professor rank**. The CRMS has a rich 20-year history of distinguished engagement in collaborative, multi-disciplinary research projects that involve the development of remotely sensed imagery and map data processing technologies for applications in the natural sciences. The CRMS was named a NASA Center of Excellence in 1998. The Department of Geography at UGA maintains a vibrant undergraduate and graduate program, possesses an energetic and talented faculty, and is committed to continued scholarly excellence. Additional information about the Department of Geography is available at <http://www.ggy.uga.edu>. We envision building upon the existing strengths of the CRMS and the Department by fostering cutting-edge spatial data applications across all of geography and allied fields in the campus community.

The CRMS currently has a staff of two full-time scientists (partially supported by soft money) and a grants manager. In addition, its mission is supported by approximately a dozen affiliated faculty, staff, and graduate research assistants. The CRMS has generated approximately \$500,000/year in research funding over the past five years. For more details about the current mission and scope of activities of the CRMS, visit <http://www.crms.uga.edu>.

Candidates for this position should have a research focus in geographic techniques and mapping sciences, broadly defined. The director will be expected to promote the role of the CRMS by encouraging partnerships and research collaborations involving the use of spatial data technologies across geography and related social and natural science disciplines, as well as with affiliated public and private agencies. A Ph.D. and administrative skills are essential. This faculty position will involve initiation and maintenance of a vigorous externally funded research program, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in areas of specialization, advising graduate students, and overseeing the operation of the CRMS. The new director will

have considerable latitude, in consultation with the faculty of the Department of Geography, in charting the future evolution of the CRMS.

Application deadline is 15 September 2004. Appointment starts August 2005. Please send a letter of application detailing research/teaching accomplishments, curriculum vitae, the names of four references, and a statement articulating a vision for the Center for Remote Sensing and Mapping Science to the address below. AUG 04-90

Apply: Albert J. Parker, Chair of the Search Committee, Department of Geography, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602-2502. Email: ajparker@uga.edu. Tel: 706-542-2368. The University of Georgia is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Applications from women and minorities are strongly encouraged.

***ILLINOIS, CHICAGO 60628-1598.** Chicago State University. Tenure-track **Assistant Professor** position starting in Fall, 2004. The Department seeks a broadly trained geographer who is strongly committed to undergraduate and graduate teaching and who is willing and able to participate in outreach activities through the Department's Neighborhood Assistance Center and Calumet Environmental Resource Center. Desirable specialties may include but are not limited to GIS, hazards research, urban ecology, environmental management, community development, and environmental justice. The department offers B.A. and M.A. degrees in Geography as well as graduate certificates in GIS and in Community Development. Chicago State, an urban, comprehensive university located in the Calumet region on the city's far south side, serves a predominantly minority population and is an EOE/AA employer. Women and minority candidates are especially encouraged to apply. Ph.D. must be completed by Fall, 2004.

Send letter of application, statement of teaching and research interests, CV, copies of transcripts and three letters of reference to the address below. AUG 04-92.

Apply: Chair, Geography Search Committee, Department of Geography, Sociology, Economics, and Anthropology, Chicago State University, Chicago, IL 60628-1598. Review of applications will begin immediately and the position will remain open until filled. For further information, email danielblock@sbcglobal.net.

***OKLAHOMA, LAWTON.** Cameron University. Assistant Professor—Department of History and Government. Position: **Temporary Assistant Professor** (one-year appointment) teaching **Geography** beginning August 2004. Minimum

qualifications: ABD in Geography. Preferred qualifications: PhD in Geography. Salary range: commensurate with background and experience. Institution: Cameron University (<http://www.cameron.edu/>) is a state-supported regional institution located in Lawton, Oklahoma. Application Procedure: Send letter of application, vita, transcripts, three letters of recommendation, and evidence of scholarship and teaching success to the address below. Deadline: June 30, 2004. For more information see our full advertisement at HigherEdJobs.com. Job opening #: 0304F031 JOB#: F237. AUG 04-93.

Apply to: Corlis McPhaul Cameron University 2800 West Gore Blvd. Lawton, OK 73505-6377. Phone: (580) 581-2245; fax: (580) 581-5560, TDD: (580) 581-2518.

Cameron University is an AA/EOE.

VIRGINIA, NORFOLK 23529-0088. Old Dominion University invites applications for a one-year **Visiting Assistant Professor (or Visiting Lecturer) specializing in GIS** beginning August 1, 2004. Teaching responsibilities are three courses per semester. Ph.D. in Geography required for appointment as Visiting Assistant Professor; ABD or Masters in Geography for appointment as Lecturer. Demonstrated ability to teach a combination of courses such as maps and geographic information, cartography, introductory GIS, and advanced GIS.

Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, teaching evaluations, transcripts, and names and phone numbers of three references to the address below. JUN 04-83.

Apply: Dr. Thomas R. Allen, GIS Search Committee, Department of Political Science and Geography, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA 23529-0088. Voice 757-683-3846, Fax 757-683-4763, e-mail TAllen@odu.edu. Review of applications begins immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Old Dominion University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action institution and requires compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

INTERNATIONAL

***CANADA, ONTARIO, KINGSTON K7L 3N6.** Queen's University's Department of Geography welcomes inquiries from excellent scholars and teachers who wish to be considered for appointment under the **Queen's National Scholar (QNS)** Program.

A maximum of four QNS positions will be available for the 2004/05 in the areas of Humanities,

Social Sciences, and Health. The Department of Geography is eligible to nominate candidates for one of these positions, and will consider applications from candidates in any field of Geography. Appointments will be either tenure-track or special shorter-term appointments.

The QNS Program serves to enrich teaching and research in newly developing fields of knowledge as well as traditional disciplines. The main criterion for appointment is academic excellence. Preferences will be given to scholars in early or mid-career. Another objective is to provide an opportunity to improve the proportion of women and members of designated minorities on faculty. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Queen's is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, visible minorities, aboriginal people, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity.

Before submitting a formal application, prospective candidates may wish to contact the Head of Department, Professor Anne Godlewski, for further information godlewsk@post.queensu.ca. Applications should be sent to the address below. AUG 04-88.

Apply: Head of Department, Department of Geography, Queen's University, Kingston, ON, K7L 3N6. Applications should include a curriculum vitae, statements of current and prospective research interests and teaching experience or potential and no more than three off-prints. Applications should also supply information concerning any interruptions in their academic careers or other factors that may have affected their capacity to complete scholarly work. Letters from at least three referees should be sent directly to the address above. The deadline for receipt of applications, including letters of reference, is October 8, 2004, for decision in January 2005.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

Academic staff at Queen's University are

governed by a collective agreement, the details of which are posted at www.queensu.ca/qufa.

***CHINA, HONG KONG.** The Chinese University of Hong Kong. The Department of Geography and Resource Management is inviting application for the post of **Instructor** (Ref. 04/088(441)/2) (closing date: August 15, 2004). Applicants should preferably have a PhD degree in Human Geography specializing in urban or regional planning. He/She should be able to teach **introductory geography and urban and regional planning** courses. Professional membership or practical experience in the planning field and knowledge in either ecotourism or GIS will be additional advantages. Appointment will initially be made on a fixed-term contract basis for 18 months from January 2005, renewable subject to mutual agreement. Salary will be highly competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. The University offers a comprehensive fringe benefit package. Further information about the University and the general terms of service for teaching appointees is available at <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/personnel>. The terms mentioned herein are for reference only and are subject to revision by the University. Please send full resume, copies of academic credentials, a publication list, together with names, addresses and fax numbers/e-mail addresses of three referees to whom applicants' consent has been given for their providing references (unless otherwise specified), to the address below. AUG 04-98.

Apply: Personnel Office, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong (Fax: (852) 2603 6852) on or before August 15, 2004. The Personal Information Collection Statement will be provided upon request. Please quote the reference number and mark 'Application - Confidential' on cover.

***CHINA, HONG KONG.** **Dean of the Faculty of Arts.** Founded in 1911, the University of Hong Kong is a pre-eminent international university committed to sustaining and enhancing

its excellence through outstanding teaching and world-class research. The University has over 20,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students, and more than 1,000 academic staff affiliated with ten faculties (Arts, Architecture, Business & Economics, Dentistry, Education, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Science and Social Sciences) and sub-divisions of studies and learning. Applications and nominations are now invited for the position of Dean of the Faculty of Arts which will be filled full-time, on a five-year contract commencing January 1, 2005, with the possibility of renewal. A highly competitive remuneration package commensurate with the appointee's qualifications and experience will be offered.

The Role: Provide strong leadership to position the Faculty as one of the leading centres of humanities in the region and internationally; Further the mission of the Faculty, foster academic collaboration and promote visibility of the work of the Faculty; and Take a leading role in developing and implementing fund-raising strategies

The Qualifications: A substantial and successful record of scholarship and teaching in humanities; A commitment to excellence in Arts education and research, and a vision for developing humanities in a diverse society; Excellent interpersonal, communication and team-building skills; and Proven experience in administration, resource management and fund-raising.

Interested parties can apply in writing or via e-mail (hku@kornferry.com) by sending a full academic cv together with a cover letter. Please quote the reference "HKU-Dean" and submit the application/nomination to the address below. AUG 04-91.

Apply: Korn/Ferry International (Hong Kong) Limited, 2102-06 Gloucester Tower, The Landmark, Central, Hong Kong (fax: (852) 2810 1632). Further details about the Faculty of Arts are available at <http://facarts.hku.hk>, and further details about the post at <https://extranet.hku.hk/apptunit/dean-arts>. Review of applications will begin from June 14, 2004 until the position is filled. Information obtained will be used for employment purposes. ■

New Appointments

Stephen F. Austin State University, Assistant Professor, Unna Lassiter. Ph.D., 2000, University of Southern California.

University of California, Berkeley, Assistant Professor, Nathan F. Sayre. Ph.D., 1999, University of Chicago.

University of Connecticut, Assistant Professor in Residence, Joy Fritschle Mason. Ph.D. expected 2004, University of Wisconsin.

Western Michigan University, Assistant Professor, Kathleen Baker. Ph.D.,

2002, Michigan State University. ■

Key: New institution, position, name. Degree, year degree granted, granting institution.

2004 JULY

12-24. The XXth Congress of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing. Istanbul, Turkey. www.magister.tr.

21-25. 10th International Conference on Information Systems Analysis and Synthesis (ISAS 2004) and International Conference on Cybernetics and Information Technologies, Systems and Applications (CITSA 2004). Orlando, FL. www.infocybernetics.org/citsa2004/WebSite/Default.asp.

22-26. Tourism & Literature: Travel, Imagination & Myth. Harrogate, Yorkshire, UK. www.tourism-culture.com.

AUGUST

9-13. ESRI International User Conference, San Diego, CA. www.esri.com/events/uc.

12-15. IGU Commission on Political Geography Pre-Congress Workshop. Durham, UK. Contact igu-durham@durham.ac.uk.

15-20. 30th Congress of the International Geographical Union. Glasgow, UK. www.meetingmakers.co.uk/IGC-UK2004.

21-24. Post-IGC Symposium in Urban Morphology. Newcastle upon Tyne, UK. www.let.rug.nl/isuf/.

27. Western Pennsylvania GIS Conference. Canonsburg, PA. www.cup.edu/liberalarts/earthscience/gis/.

SEPTEMBER

7-11. 6th International Conference on Geomorphology: Geomorphology in regions of environmental contrasts. Zaragoza, Spain. <http://wzar.unizar.es/actos/SEG/index.html>.

8-10. International Symposium on Earth Systems. Istanbul, Turkey. www.earthsystem2004.org/default.asp.

8-11. **AAG Pacific Coast Division Meeting.** San Luis Obispo, CA. <http://cla.calpoly.edu/~jkeese/>.

12-16. National States Geographic Information Council. Austin, TX. www.amrinc.net/nsgic/secure/2004annual.cfm.

17-19. **Race/Ethnicity and Place Conference.** Howard University, Washington, DC. www.aag.org/meetings.

19-22. 2004 International Map Trade Association (Americas) Conference & Trade Show. Lake Buena Vista, FL. www.maptrade.org.

30 September-1 October. 15th Conference on the Small City and Regional Community. Stevens Point, WI. www.uwsp.edu/polisci/smallcity/Call_for_Papers.htm.

30 September-2 October. **AAG Great Plains/Rocky Mountain Division Meeting.** Eros Data Center, South Dakota State University, SD. <http://geography.unco.edu/GPRM/>.

OCTOBER

1-3. Festival International de Geographie. Saint-Dié-de-Vosges, France. www.ville-saintdie.fr/default-accueil.html.

1-3. 35th Binghamton Geomorphology Symposium on Weathering and Landscape Evolution. Lexington, KY. www.uky.edu/AS/Geography/Binghamton04/.

6-8. Wengen 2004 International and Interdisciplinary Workshop: Mountain Glaciers and Society: Perception, Science, Impacts and Policy. Wengen, Switzerland. www.unifr.ch/geoscience/geographie/EVENTS/Wengen/04/Wengen2004.html.

6-8. GIS in the Rockies Conference. Denver, CO. www.gisintherockies.org.

7-9. **AAG West Lakes Division Meeting.** Oshkosh, WI. www.geog.umn.edu/West_Lakes_AAG.

7-9. 15th Kenneth Nebenzahl, Jr., Lectures in the History of Cartography. Chicago, IL. Contact smithctr@newberry.org.

11-13. Spatial Cognition 2004. Bavaria, Germany. www.sfbtr8.uni-bremen.de/events.html.

15-16. **AAG New England St. Lawrence Valley Division Meeting.** Portland, ME. Contact Cathleen McAnneny at mcanneny@maine.edu.

15-16. **AAG East Lakes Division Meeting.** Department of Geography at Ohio University. Contact Tim Anderson at anderst1@ohio.edu.

20-23. **GIScience 2004.** College Park, MD. www.giscience.org.

20-23. National Council for Geographic Education Annual Meeting. Kansas City, MO. www.ncge.org/activities/meetings/kansascity/.

20-24. Applied Geography Conference. St. Louis, MO. www.appliedgeog.org/html/main.htm.

21-23. Pioneer America Society, 36th Annual Meeting. Newtown, PA. Contact David Kimmerly at kimmerly@comcast.net.

29-30 **AAG Middle States Division Meeting.** Villanova, PA. Contact Keith Henderson at keith.henderson@villanova.edu.

NOVEMBER

7-10. URISA Annual Conference. Reno, NV. www.urisa.org/annual.htm.

8-9. 2004 Virginia GIS Conference. Roanoke, VA. www.rvarc.org/vagis.

10-13. **AAG Southwestern Division Meeting.** Nacogdoches, TX. Contact Darrell McDonald at dmcDonald@sfasu.edu.

11-14. 2004 American Studies Association Meeting. Atlanta, GA. www.georgetown.edu/crossroads/AmericanStudiesAssn/annualmeeting/.

21-23. **AAG Southeastern Division Meeting.** Biloxi, MS. Contact Clifton Dixon at 601-266-4729 or c.dixon@usm.edu.

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23-26. First International Conference on Environmental Science and Technology. New Orleans, LA. www.AASci.org/conference.

MARCH

6-9. GITA Annual Conference 28. Denver, CO. www.gita.org/events/annual/28/call.html.

16-20. Annual Meeting of the American Society for Environmental History. Houston, Texas. www.h-net.org/~environ/ASEH/conferences.html.

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5-9. **AAG 101st Annual Meeting.** Denver, CO. www.aag.org.

14-15. 36th Annual South Dakota State Geography Convention. Brookings, SD. www3.sdstate.edu/Academics/CollegeofArtsAndScience/Geography/Index.cfm.

14-17. Annual Meeting of the National Council on Public History. Kansas City, MO. www.ncph.org.

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