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Department of Geography

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On-campus Presentations

- Sep 15** **Jacob Sowers:** "An Exploration of Jackrabbit Homesteading," colloquium presentation, 3:30 pm, 132 Seaton Hall.
- Sep 18** Thomas Frank, author of *What's the Matter with Kansas?*, will speak at 7 pm, Union Forum Hall. (Lou Douglas Lecture/Adamchak Distinguished Lecture.)
- Sep 22** **Peg Margosian** (USDA APHIS—Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, in GISSAL): "Connectivity of the American Agricultural Landscape: a Graph Approach," colloquium presentation, 3:30 pm, 132 Seaton Hall.
- Sep 28** **Robert Christopherson**, author of *Geosystems* (GEOG 221 & 321 textbook): "The Power of Geographic Science in a Time of Global Change," 7:05 pm.

Publications

Paul, B.K., and V.L. Tinnon Brock. 2006. Treatment delay period: The case of Arsenicosis in rural Bangladesh. *Health and Place*, 12: 580-593.

Faculty & Student Activities

GTU needs to conduct a cleanup of its stretch of Adopt-a-Highway. There is a suggestion for this to be carried out this coming Wednesday morning (September 6) at 9:30 am, or the following Wednesday (September 13) at 9:30 am. GTU would like to hear back from those who are willing to participate, or those who have suggestions of a better time. You can do this by contacting Rorik at rfp7766@ksu.edu.

Richard Marston has been invited to participate in the International Quaternary association (INQUA) Workshop on the "Timing and Nature of Mountain Glaciation, from High Asia to the World" in September. The workshop includes a meeting & a field trip across the Tibetan Plateau, Xining to Lhasa. It is sponsored by the U.S. National Science Foundation & the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

Lori Emerson has been hired as a GIS Specialist for Loudoun County, Virginia, in Leesburg. She will be supporting their Land Management Information System using GIS & databases.

All faculty & graduate students are invited to a meeting is to discuss Cultural Geography, this Wednesday, 12:45 - 1:30 pm, 164H Seaton Hall. We will be meeting the first Wednesday of each month to share thoughts on a topic & eat pizza. This week we are looking for input on a good website for Cultural Geography. So come out, grab some lunch & share your thoughts with us. Pizza will be provided by Dr. DeBres & Dr. Marston.

Meetings

GP/RM & West Lakes AAG. The Association of American Geographers joint meeting of the Great Plains-Rocky Mountain Division & the West Lakes Division will take place October 5-7, in Lincoln, Nebraska. The K-State Geography Department will provide a van to take students to the meeting. If you wish to present a paper or poster submit your abstract prior to the deadline of September 15th. Students are especially

welcome as special events are planned, including breakfast-with-a-mentor, student paper competition, & the Geography Bowl competition. Information about the meeting is available at <http://calmit.unl.edu/aag/>.

Kansas Association of Mappers (KAM). The 2006 Annual Conference will be held in Wichita, 2-5 October. "Bringing Communities of Mappers Together," the 21st Annual Conference Keynote address, will be made by Maj. General Tod Bunting, Chief of Homeland Security for Kansas. Registration is \$110. The meeting will be at the Airport Hilton in Wichita. See <http://www.kam.to/>.

Applied Geography Conference student posters: Students are invited to present posters for the Annual Applied Geography Conference held in Tampa, FL. The poster session will be held Wednesday evening on 11 October. The deadline for submitting an abstract is 18 September. See <http://appliedgeog.binghamton.edu/html/student.html>. Contact Graham Tobin (gtobin@cas.usf.edu) or Burrell Montz (bmontz@binghamton.edu) with questions.

AAG--2007 Meeting. The annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers will be April 17-21 2007, in San Francisco. The deadline for submissions (papers, posters, illustrated papers, and short interactive papers) is Oct 26. See <http://www.aag.org/annualmeetings/SF2007/index.cfm>.

AAG Meeting: GIS Specialty Group (GISSG) student papers: The GISSG of the Association of American Geographers will have an Honors Competition for Student Papers on Geographic Information Science (GIS) topics to be presented at the annual meeting. Guidelines & submission requirements are posted at the GISSG Student Paper Competition webpage (www.geo.wvu.edu/~jmillier/AAG_GISSG.html). The deadline for abstract submission to this competition is 26 September 2006. Please direct any questions to Jennifer Miller (jennifer.miller@mail.wvu.edu).

Student Opportunities

Employment & volunteer opportunities: K-State's All-University Career Fair will be 11 am to 4 pm Sept. 19-20, at Bramlage Coliseum. More than 250 employers are coming; employers with names beginning with K - Z will attend Sept. 19, & employers with names beginning with A - J will attend Sept. 20. Next-day interviews will be 8-11:30 am Sept. 20 & 21, at the Student Union. Tips on Getting the most out of the career fair, as well as special workshops being offered prior to the event, are available at <http://www.k-state.edu/ces> (click on the career fair icon).

Employment opportunity: The Geary County Campus of Cloud County Community College is in need of an instructor for a World Regional Geography class. The new instructor would take over in October. The class is small (17 students), & it meets on Thursday evenings 6-9 pm. There is reimbursement for gas expenditures. Interested graduate students contact Kelly Hockersmith at kelly.hockersmith@us.army.mil.

Employment & volunteer opportunities: AmeriCorps is looking for men & women over the age of 18 with the skills, desire, & commitment to make a difference in the Gulf Coast & in the lives of the people who live there. In return you will receive a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award, a modest living allowance, health coverage, student loan deferment, hands-on training & experience, & the satisfaction of knowing you have helped those in need. Hundreds of AmeriCorps members are needed throughout the Gulf Coast to provide intake & referral services for people displaced & homeless; build & enhance the capacity of volunteer centers to ensure a ready source of volunteers available to address community needs; ensure that volunteers & donated goods are properly distributed where & when they are needed most clear debris; & build & renovate homes, schools, & public facilities. To find out more about specific projects that are currently recruiting & to apply, go to: <https://recruit.cns.gov/quicksearchresults.asp>. Call 1-800-942-2677 or email questions@americorps.org with questions.

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