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Feb 12 is Darwin day, honoring the 198th anniversary of Charles Darwin's birth & the 150th anniversary of the publication of *The Origin of Species*.

On-Campus Speakers

- 12 Feb (M) **Douglas Goodin**: "Hunting Hantavirus in Paraguay," 12:15 pm, Holiday Inn Ballroom, Manhattan. Vernon Larson Lecture Series.
- 13 Feb (T) Ellen Metzger, San Jose State University: "Earth Science Education for All Students: Pitfalls and Progress," 4 pm, 213 Thompson Hall (ADVANCE Distinguished Lecture Series).
- 15 Feb (Th) James Butler, Kansas Geologic Survey: "What the Heck is a Phreatophyte? A Field Investigation of Ecohydrologic Processes in Stream-Aquifer Systems," 3:30 pm, Fiedler Auditorium (Henry Darcy Distinguished Lecture Series).
- 21 Feb (W) Dauda Abubakar, Political Science, Ohio Univ: "From neighbors to killers: Ethnic conflict in Africa," 7 pm, Hale Library Hemisphere Room.
- 20 Feb (T) Live webcast: The 2010 Imperative: Global Emergency Teach-In. 11 am-2 pm Union Forum Hall. Panel discussion 2-3 pm, B. Anderson (Int. Design), L. Erickson (Chem Eng.), **J. Harrington** (Geography) L. Skabelund (Landscape Arch.), R.T. Gabbard (Arch.). Sponsored by College of Architecture, Planning and Design.
- 23 Feb (F) **Chris Laingen**: "Changes in Human and Natural Systems Influenced by Pheasant Hunting in South Dakota, 4 pm, S 132 (Geography colloquium: proposal presentation).
- 27 Feb (T) James Neal, VP for Information Technology, Columbia University: "Chaos Breeds Life: Imperatives Defining the Future Relevance and Impact of the Academic Research Library," 1:30-3 pm, Hale Library Hemisphere Room (Provost's Lecture Series).

Planned Highway Pick-Up

GTU is planning the department's trash pick-up day for 15 March, 2:30 pm. A 2-mile section of US 77 north of Manhattan is the designated area for maintenance by the K-State Department of Geography. Please add this to your calendars.

Student Notices

Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT). IGERT programs provide generous stipend (\$30,000 per year) & tuition support for graduate students through the National Science Foundation. The website (www.igert.org) has links to over 100 programs throughout the nation that offer this support.

Undergraduate REU & Other Summer Research Opportunities through IGERT. Information may be found at <http://www.igert.org/summer.asp>. If you are looking for a paid research internship in the coming summer, look into these opportunities.

An ETDR (Electronic Theses, Dissertations, and Reports) open forum will be held on 15 Feb, 4-5 pm, in the Little Theatre of the K-State Union. Visit the ETDR website at www.k-state.edu/grad/etdr prior to attending & feel free to ask questions or offer suggestions at the open forum. ETDR's submitted by K-State Graduate Students can be found at: <http://krex.k-state.edu>.

Conference of Latin Americanist Geographers (CLAG) student field study award. One award of \$500 will be granted for 2007. This award is intended for a graduate student member of CLAG to support preliminary or reconnaissance fieldwork for intended thesis or dissertation research in Latin America. The award is not intended to cover all fieldwork costs, but to assist students working toward the master's to undertake a short period of field research, or to facilitate study site identification & preliminary research for doctoral students undertaking their dissertation research. For full requirements & application materials, contact Lisa Harrington (LButlerH@ksu.edu).

Young Global Leaders Summit: The Future of Western-Muslim World Relations. Students at KSU are invited to apply for this summit, 7 Apr, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK. Workshops at the summit include US in the World (about the future of Western-Muslim world relations with Americans) & Town Hall Organizing (how to organize a town hall Western-Islamic world relations). Thanks to the support of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Open Society Institute, & Ford Foundation, the summit is free for selected participants, including tuition & food. Travel to the conference is at the participant's expense, but Americans for Informed Democracy will do its best to set up car pools for participants coming from OK, TX, MO, & KS. For more information, go to www.aidemocracy.org/osu.cfm

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