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**On-Campus Speakers**

11 Jan (Th)  Melinda Daniels, Univ of Connecticut: “Rivers as Coupled Human-Natural Systems: The Case of Large Rivers, Their Dynamics and Potential for Restoration,” 4:00 pm, Union Little Theatre (Geography speaker)

16 Jan (T)  Scott Markwith, Univ of Georgia: “Spatial Genetic Patterns and Processes of the Aquatic Plant *Hymenocallis coronaria,*” 4:00 pm, Union Little Theatre (Geography speaker)

19 Jan (F)  Derek Alderman, East Carolina Univ, “Naming Streets for Martin Luther King, Jr.: A New Geography of Memory in America,” 3:30 pm, Union Forum Hall. Geography/GTU Colloquium presentation.

22 Jan (M)  Kendra McLauchlan, Dartmouth (title TBA), 2:30 pm, Union Little Theatre (Geography speaker)

**MLK Observance Week**

Martin Luther King, Jr., Observance Week includes a number of activities to take place Jan 13-19, including the talk by Dr. Alderman (listed above). Please see www.k-state.edu/ddcd/mlkweek2007.htm for activities.

**K State Geographers’ Activities**

**Publication**


**Presentation**

**John Harrington, Jr.,** gave an invited presentation, “Rapid Global Climate Change,” to the Solar Kiwanis group in Manhattan on Dec 18th.

**Grant**

**John Harrington** and John Blair (Biology) are part of a team related to the Long Term Ecological Research (LTER) system. They were awarded $8,150 for a project entitled *Ecosystem Services from Working Lands: Cross-site LTER Research.* The PI for the project is Scott Swinton, an agricultural economist from Michigan State, and funds will be used for group collaboration in Spring 2007. Funding comes from the LTER Network office.

**Student Notices**

**Graduation - BA or BS**

The deadline for application for graduation clearance with the College of Arts and Sciences is Feb 8, for those wanting to participate in May commencement. Pick up an application in the A& S Dean’s office, 113 Eisenhower Hall, and return it by the deadline.
Graduation - MA or PhD
Your program of study must have been submitted and approved by the end of Fall 2006. To have your name appear in the May commencement program, the ‘Approval to Schedule Final Examination’ form must submitted to the Graduate School by Apr 4. For graduation in May 2007, the final exam ballot and the final thesis or dissertation must be submitted to the Graduate School by May 10. Allow plenty of time for submissions and paperwork. The defense copy of the thesis or dissertation should be made available to committee members (and a copy should be placed in the department office) a minimum of 2 weeks before the defense.

Meetings
The 13th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM), will be June 17-21, in Park City, Utah. The deadline for abstract submissions is Jan 31. The theme for the 2007 symposium is Landscape Continuity and Change - Social Science Perspectives and Interdisciplinary Conversations. Proposals for sessions addressing conference subthemes are due by January 15th. There will also be a special pre-symposium Graduate Student Forum held on the Utah State University campus in Logan the weekend before the main conference. It will give graduate students a chance to network with peers, discuss strategies for successful graduate research and training, and get advice on professional and career opportunities. More information about the meeting and forum is at http://www.issrm2007.org.

Websites
HEALTHmap—the global disease alert map, is at http://www.healthmap.org

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