The newsletter is viewable on the department’s website (www.ksu.edu/geography). Note that links found in the newsletter will work if you go to the online version.

**On-Campus Speakers**

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).

Ahmad Abdel-Fattah, Texas A&M: “Applications of particle-tracking techniques to bank infiltration: A case study from El Paso, Texas,” 4:00 pm, 213 Thompson (Geology Seminar).

18 Jan (Th) Jeff Wilcox, Univ of Wisconsin-Madison: “Septic systems and subdivisions: The effects of rural residential development on groundwater,” 4:00 pm, 213 Thompson (Geology Seminar).

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: “Reconstructing human impacts on ecosystems from decades to millennia,” 2:30 pm, Union Little Theatre (Geography speaker).

29 Jan (M) Carlos Mena, Univ of North Carolina: “Deforestation and land use dynamics in the Ecuadorian Amazon: rates, drivers, and explicit models,” 4 pm, place TBA (Geography speaker).

5 Feb (M) Anna Versluis, Clark: “We all live downstream: land change and flood vulnerability in a Haitian watershed,” 4 pm, place TBA (Geography speaker).

8 Feb (Th) Marcellus Caldus, Michigan State: “Theorizing land cover and land use change: the peasant economy of the Amazonian deforestation,” 4 pm, place TBA (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 (above). See www.k-state.edu/ddcd/mlkweek2007.htm for all activities.

**GTU/Geography Club**

Geography’s scheduled times for telefund are Monday, January 22nd, & Tuesday, January 23rd. We need to have at least six to eight people each night. So far, seven have signed up for Monday, & two for Tuesday, so at least four more volunteers are needed for Tuesday night. Please email Mitch Stimers (stimers@ksu.edu)
if you can help out on the 23rd. Telefunders will meet at the University Foundation center at 5:30pm. Need not be a member to help! This is important for departmental funding for student participation in meetings, costs of visiting speakers, student awards, & instructional needs. Help with Telefund is greatly appreciated.

K State Geographers’ Activities

Grant

Bimal Paul & Deborah Che received a 2007 Quick Response Research Grant ($2,465) from the Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado at Boulder for a project entitled, "Emergency Responses for High Plains Cattle Affected by the December 28-31, 2006 Blizzard."

Internship

Freshman Geography major Johanna Burniston has an internship in the GIS department under Dan Oldehoeft for the City of Manhattan, Spring semester.

Student Notices

Internships

The Association of American Geographers (AAG) is now accepting applications for interns to work in the Washington, D.C., office. Interns will get a first-hand look at geography's leading professional association through assisting in daily operations & projects, attending meetings with government & private organizations, & working in a friendly office environment in the heart of the nation's capital. Applicants should have strong written & verbal communication skills & have competency in Microsoft Office software. A modest monthly stipend is provided. Email a cover letter & resume to Robert Andelman (randelman@aag.org).

The Nebraska Forest Service is searching for a summer GIS intern for May 14-August 10, 2007. Salary is $10.00 per hour & University of Nebraska course credit is available. Mail or email resume, references, & statement of career goals & interests by March 1 to: Laurie Stepanek; Nebraska Forest Service; 103 Plant Industry Building; Lincoln, NE 68583-0815 (Lstepanek2@UNL.EDU). More information is on the web at: http://www.nfs.unl.edu/Download/GIS%20internship%202007.pdf.

Scholarships

The Kansas City Heartland Roundtable is the greater Kansas City Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (CSCMP) organization & offers a number of $1000 scholarships each year. The scholarships are intended for students attending a college or university in the Kansas City region who have an interest in the areas of supply chain management or logistics. In addition to scholarships, the Heartland Roundtable CSCMP sends 2 KC area students to the CSCMP national conference each October. The attendees for the 2007 conference will be chosen from those who apply for the scholarship (www.cscmp.org for conference information). Applicants must have a major, minor, or focus in supply chain management, logistics or a related area, such as marketing, operations management, industrial engineering, economic geography, military science, etc. A cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher is required. For a complete description of requirements, please e-mail Dr. Christine Wright (cwright@cmsu1.cmsu.edu), Dr. Canan Kocabasoglu (canan@ku.edu), or Dr. Chwen Sheu (csheu@ksu.edu). Complete applications are due by Feb 15.

Post-docs

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Center of Excellence for Geospatial Information Science (CEGIS) has 2 post-doctoral appointments available in the Rolla, MO, office. The appointments must be filled through
the National Research Council (NRC) Research Associateship program. For instructions, go to http://www7.nationalacademies.org/rap/Cover_Page_Application_Information_links.html. At http://nrc58.nas.edu/pgasurvey/data/aobooks/rapbooks.asp?mode=rodetail&roid=42147&pcd=906102, you can find a short description of this specific position. Topics currently being investigated include 1) information fusion, visualization, & ontology for The National Map, specifically addressing automated data integration & generalization; 2) analyzing & developing rapid map projection for large raster datasets over the Web using parallel & grid computing; and 3) fractal & variogram methods to analyze scale & resolution effects on geospatial data.

**Job**

Great Plains GIS Partnership: GIS/Remote Sensing Technician (Wildlife Biologist/Biogeographer); located in Grand Island, NE, with salary of $26,699 annually ($12.84/hr). The Partnership is a collaborative group of GIS professionals from the US Fish & Wildlife Service, Rainwater Basin Joint Venture, Playa Lakes Joint Venture, Nebraska Game & Parks Commission, & Central Platte Natural Resources District. The person in this position will assist with production & processing of GIS data. Tasks include but are not limited to ortho-rectification of aerial photography; assistance with vegetation mapping, monitoring, & evaluation; metadata creation, general spatial-data processing; & accuracy assessment of spatial data. This is a **full-time (40 hrs/week) position for one year**; the position may be extended depending on funding. For requirements or other information contact Ryan Reker (Ryan_Reker@fws.gov). To apply please send letter of interest, resume, & 3 references, by 31 January, to: Great Plains GIS Partnership, c/o Ryan Reker; 203 W. 2nd Street; Grand Island, NE 68801

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