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GREETINGS FROM THE CHAIR

The fact that Geography at Madison has enjoyed so many decades of excellence might lead the theoretically inclined to infer the existence of a powerful internal buffer working against the vagaries of budgets and other global forces. Alternatively, empiricists will be content to simply note that for whatever reason, the Department has always found opportunities to move forward in even the most trying of times. As we presently sit in the midst of great uncertainty regarding the state budget, both viewpoints have their appeal, and there is surely evidence for both in the latest departmental happenings. For example, consider the following reasons to celebrate:

- Mark Harrower has agreed to join the Department as a new assistant Professor starting next fall semester. Mark, who is finishing his Ph.D. in Geography at Penn State University, works at the interface of cartography and geographic information science. A specialist in geovisualization, he is particularly interested in the visual representation of change. His Ph.D. project provides the first in-depth treatment of the linkages between representational form and conceptualizations of dynamic geographic phenomena. Among other things, he will teach courses in cartography, cartographic design, and animation in GIS.
- Two geography faculty members, Matt Turner and Karl Zimmerer, have <u>each</u> won a
 Guggenheim Fellowship this year. Readers will know that Guggenheims are extremely
 prestigious and quite rare---a small number are awarded each year "on the basis of
 exemplary past achievement and future promise". In addition to being thrilled for Matt and
 Karl, we take some pride in noting that two awards have apparently never before gone to
 a single geography department.
- Kris Olds will soon be promoted to Associate Professor! Just last week the Social Sciences Divisional Committee endorsed the Department's recommendation for tenure (and implicitly, the Department's ability to recruit outstanding scholars). Hearty congratulations to Kris.

The last piece of major news for this issue is that David Woodward has announced his retirement effective August 31, 2002. This is, of course, a great loss to the Department in ways too numerous to itemize. However, two things temper our disappointment a little. First, David will remain in residence as he continues to direct the History of Cartography Project, so in that sense there is no loss at all. Second, we have just learned that David has won this year's Hilldale Award in the Humanities, an honor reserved for faculty with major achievements in research, teaching and service. That certainly describes David Woodward, and we can't help but celebrate with him. Congratulations to David!

Jim Burt

NEWS FROM FACULTY

BILL DENEVAN (Professor Emeritus) has been busy giving

presentations which included the Closing Address: "The Pre-European Cultural Landscape of Amazonia," Conference and Exhibit on "Unknown Amazoni," "Nature and Culture in Ancient Brazil." at the British Museum in London in October 2001. He attended the Conference of Latin Americanist Geographers in Benicassim, Spain, in June, 2001, where he presented papers on Barney Nietschmann and on Amazonian and anthropogenic dark earths, and he gave a seminar on "Native Population Numbers and Intensive Cultivation in Amazonia in 1492," at the University of London in October, 2001. Bill has also been elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

VANCE HOLLIDAY co-authored three new publications: Vance T. Holliday, James C. Knox, Garry L. Running IV, Rolfe D. Mandel, and C. Reid Ferring. 2002. "The Central Lowlands and Great Plains". IN Anthony Orme, ed., The Physical Geography of North America. Oxford University Press, p. 335-362; Vance T. Holliday, Leslie D. McFadden, E. Arthur Bettis, and Peter W. Birkeland, 2002. "The soil survey and soil geomorphology". IN Douglas Helms, ed. History of the National Cooperative Soil Survey, Iowa State University Press, p. 233-274; and David J. Meltzer, Lawrence C. Todd, and Vance T. Holliday, 2002. "The Folsom (Paleoindian) Type Site: Past Investigations, Current Studies". American Antiquity, v. 67, p. 5-36.

LISA NAUGHTON received a fellowship from the Science, Technology and Environmental Policy program of Princeton University's Environmental Institute that has allowed her to spend the 2001-2002 academic year at Princeton, focusing on research and writing. Her recent publications, which are currently all in press, include Naughton-Treves, L. "Wild Animals in the Garden. Conserving Wildlife in Amazonian Agroecosystems" *Annals of the* Association of American Geographers; Naughton-Treves, L. et al. "Wildlife survival beyond park boundaries: The impact of shifting agriculture and hunting in Tambopata, Peru" Conservation Biology; C. Chapman, M.J. Lawes, L. Naughton-Treves, and T.R. Gillespie, "Primate survival in communityowned forest fragments: Are metapopulation models valid amidst intensive use?" in Primates in Fragments: Ecology and Conservation. L.K. Marsh (editor), Kluwer Academic /Plenum Publishers, New York; Naughton-Treves, L. and N. Salafsky, "Wildlife conservation in agroforestry buffer zones: Opportunity and Conflict" in Agroforestry and Biodiversity Conservation in Tropical Landscapes. Schroth, G. et al. (eds.). Columbia University Press; and Ilukol, C.P., E. Cochrane, L. Naughton-Treves, and G. I. Basuta. "Temporal patterns of crop raiding in forest dwelling elephants: A response to changes in forage quality or crop availability?" Journal of African Ecology. Lisa also spent December 2001 in Uganda distributing results from her long-term study of land cover change around Kibale National Park. She also used this visit to assess recent policy changes favoring decentralized forest management.

TOM VALE recently published a couple of journal articles and several book chapters, although the March release of his edited book that defends the existence of natural landscapes in parts of pre-European North America (*Fire, Native Peoples, and the Natural Landscape*, with Island Press) pleases him a great deal. But his mind wanders to graduate students during his first year (1973-1974) at Madison: PAT BARTLEIN (Ph.D. 1978) was completing a Master's thesis on the quantitative evaluation of landscape attributes (a sort of human geography theme--Bart can do it all!); BILLIE

LEE TURNER (Ph.D. 1974) was finishing his dissertation on prehistoric agriculture in the Mayan lowlands (and he beat Tom twice on deep patterns in a touch football game); NICK ENTRIKIN and TONY DAVIS (both Ph.D. 1975), BILL JOHNSON, PAUL KAY, and JON KIMERLING (all Ph.D. 1976), CHARLEY MAHAFFEY (Ph.D. 1978), and certainly others a pretty impressive bunch!

NEWS FROM THE GEOGRAPHY LIBRARY

The Geography Library is participating in a campus wide service called "Book Retrieval". The libraries have set up a system whereby you can place a request for an item that is NOT checked out at one library, and pick it up a few days later at any of the participating libraries. This means the book on Steenbock Library's shelves can be requested by you to pick up at our service desk. Just hit the "Place Requests" button after you have found your item in MadCat and follow directions.

Please be advised that placing such a request doesn't always mean the request can be successfully completed by library staff (e.g. reserve items cannot be retrieved). If you are in a hurry, then do not rely on this service. Don't let us catch anyone from the Geography Department requesting Geography Library items to be picked up at the Geography Library desk!



NEWS FROM THE STATE CARTOGRAPHER'S OFFICE

The SCO has taken on a new duty with resources provided by the Provost's office and the College of Letters and Science. We will be coordinating campus-wide activities for

SIAC — the Spatial Information and Analysis Consortium, essentially a group of people interested in various aspects of GIS. Several faculty members of the Geography Department are active in SIAC. The overall goal will be to enhance the environment and opportunities for faculty, staff, and students. We will be helping with communications, outreach, identification of research opportunities and outside speakers, and more.

As a major outreach effort, we are partway through offering a series of FGDC-supported geospatial metadata workshops held in various locations around the state.

Because of strong continuing demand for the map *Wisconsin Land Cover*, we had it reprinted recently. The brochures we mailed to various groups generated a great deal of interest.

TED KOCH, State Cartographer, continues as chair of the Wisconsin Land Information Board, and a member of the Wisconsin Land Council. Both groups are faced with statutory sunset in 2003. In mid-2001 he initiated a board task force to recommend steps the state should take to ensure adequate elevation data for a wide variety of uses.

BOB GURDA will spearhead the SCO's new role of supporting SIAC, and will pass management of our student staff to AJ Wortley. Lately Bob has been helping with the SCO's series of traveling metadata workshops. He also continues doing one lecture each semester for Geography 370 as well as for a CALS class in scientific visualization.

BRENDA HEMSTEAD is developing a prototype web site ("Control Finder") that catalogues and provides access to information on geodetic control points. This effort includes working with federal, state, and

local agencies that establish and maintain control points.

AJ WORTLEY is tying up loose ends on our FGDC-sponsored web-based orthophoto cataloging project (see the resulting "OrthoFinder" at

www.geography.wisc.edu/sco/orthocat/) while organizing and presenting metadata workshops. As part of the FGDC's national metadata trainer cadre, AJ has attended several national meetings lately. Since September AJ has also been helping Paul Gunther on a new computer support arrangement in Science Hall that incorporates the SCO, Geography Department, and IES.

ANA RUMM, our half-time financial specialist, began course work last fall aiming toward an MBA.

The SCO's current student staff includes graduate students WOODY WALLACE (Geography), Sheila Haskins (Environmental Monitoring), GIS Certificate student TOM GLEASON, and undergrads JACKI MULLEN, DAVID HANDLEY, and KEVIN WHITE (all Cartography/GIS). Woody has been orchestrating the conversion of a number of sections on our web site from hard-coded HTML to databases from which web pages are generated on demand.



NEWS FROM THE HISTORY OF CARTOGRAPHY PROJECT

Symposium on Cartography in the Twentieth Century

The History of Cartography Project organized a symposium on the history of twentieth-century cartography on 17-18 March preceding the 2002 annual meeting of the

American Association of Geographers (AAG) in Los Angeles, California. The symposium was attended by authors and advisers under the Exploratory Essays Initiative (EEI) for Volume 6 of *The History of Cartography*, with additional participants from the AAG. DAVID WOODWARD, History of Cartography Project Director, and Mark Monmonier (Syracuse University). Volume 6 co-editor, led the symposium. Also attending were JUDE LEIMER, managing editor of the *History*, and TERESITA REED of the Project staff, who managed planning and logistics for the event. A field trip to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in nearby Pasadena concluded the two-day symposium.

The essays by the EEI authors are scheduled for review and publication in a special October 2002 issue of *Cartography and Geographic Information Science*. Supported by funds from the National Science Foundation, the work under EEI will provide the foundation for Volume 6 of the *History* series.

First Holzheimer Fellow in Residence

The first Arthur and Janet Holzheimer Fellow took up residence on campus during February and March. Dr. George Tolias, a historian at the National Hellenic Research Foundation in Athens, Greece, is working on a topic related to Volume 3 (the European Renaissance) of the History of Cartography Project. He is studying the role of map collecting and its relationship to ways of organizing knowledge in the Renaissance. Holzheimer fellows are supported with a stipend, office space, and the other facilities and support given to scholars at the Institute for Research at the Humanities.

The Holzheimer Fellowship was established with a generous gift from Art and Jan Holzheimer, long-time friends of the History of Cartography Project. Next year's fellow in residence will be Phil Steinberg, Assistant Professor and Graduate Program Director,

Department of Geography, Florida State University. Dr. Steinberg's recent book is *The Social Construction of the Ocean* (Cambridge University Press, 2001).

History of Cartography Project at 2002 Meeting of Renaissance Society of America

David Woodward organized four cartographic sessions at this year's meeting of the Renaissance Society of America in April in Tempe, Arizona, 11-13 April. The topics are: Italian Mural Map Cycles, Illustrating Space and Place in the Renaissance, Maps and Religion, and Using Maps in the Renaissance.



NEWS FROM GRADUATE STUDENTS

KIM COULTER received a scholarship from the Center for German and European Studies to spend a year at the Rheinische Friedrich Wilhelms Universität in Bonn. She will be working on her dissertation concerning the impact of minority culture on German national identity. Kim is practicing her German as a contributing editor for the forthcoming online magazine *Vorwärts!*, affiliated with the UW German Department.

BLAKE HARRISON was recently granted a \$600 Vilas Travel Fellowship to help defer this coming summer's travel expenses to Vermont. He presented a paper on industrial landscapes of tourism in rural Vermont at the AAG meeting in Los Angeles and is now serving as the student representative to the Board of Directors for the Historical Geography Specialty Group. Blake also has articles appearing in upcoming issues of the *Journal of Sport History* and *Vermont History*.

MIKE YOCHIM is in the final stages of becoming a dissertator. He is proposing to study interest groups and policy-making in the national parks, focusing on Yellowstone. He has recently published another snowmobile article in *Annals of Wyoming*, a critique of Charles Kay, himself a National Park Service policy critic, in *Human Nature*, and has an article about historic efforts to prevent reclamation dams from being built in Yellowstone, in the works for *Montana: the Magazine of Western History*. Mike will be moving to Yellowstone in May to begin his dissertation research.

MIKE DANIELS is busy completing his dissertation, and lately feels especially encouraged to do so by an offer to join the faculty at the University of Wyoming (ves. another UW). He accepted the offer, and will begin teaching in January 2003. His paper, "Drainage network adjustment following channelization: Homochitto River Basin. Mississippi" was published in the edited volume, Cultural and Physical Expositions: Geographic Studies in the Southern United States and Latin America (Geoscience Publications: Baton Rouge, LA). He is coauthor (with senior-author JIM KNOX) on another 2002 publication, "Watershed scale and the stratigraphic record of large floods", in Ancient Floods, Modern Hazards: Principles and Applications of Paleoflood Hydrology (American Geophysical Union). He also recently reviewed Floodplains: Interdisciplinary Approaches (Geological Society: London) for *The Professional* Geographer.

CHRIS DUVALL has four entries in the new Encyclopedia of Colonialism (Mel Page, ed.): "Arabian-American Oil Company", "Guinea", "Petroleum", and "Sierra Leone". This encyclopedia of history should appear in May.

Additionally, he was awarded a

grant-in-aid by Sigma Xi to conduct research this summer on the distribution of chimpanzee food plants in southwestern Mali.

Serious political upheaval in Zimbabwe forced KRISTIN GUNTHER to shift her dissertation research to a North American context, where she'll continue asking similar theoretical questions but applying them in a new cultural setting within the Yurok Tribe of Northern California. She is excited to begin this new fieldwork in late August, when she will be accompanied by her husband PAUL GUNTHER and their new baby, whose arrival they are expecting in early May.

Contrary to general belief, JAMES MAYER was pretty busy during the fall semester. In September, he traveled to Waterton Lakes National Park in Alberta, Canada, to give a talk at the Fifth Biennial Rocky Mountain Anthropological Conference. Early October saw a (successful) thesis defense, while in December his manuscript entitled "Evaluating natural site formation processes in eolian dune sands: A case study from the Krmpotich Folsom site, Killpecker Dunes, Wyoming" was accepted for publication in the Journal of Archaeological Science, So far, the spring semester has been fairly productive as well. James had a second manuscript titled "Paleoindian geoarchaeology and paleoenvironments of the western Killpecker Dunes, Wyoming" accepted for publication in Geoarchaeology. In addition, he was accepted into Department of Geosciences' PhD program at the University of Arizona. Currently, he is looking forward to a third season of fieldwork with Professor VANCE "Doc" HOLLIDAY on the Southern High Plains that promises more enjoyable stratigraphy and beef jerky. Later in the summer, work and play will take James to Wyoming, Colorado, and across the American Southwest. Between all the dirt- and school-related activities, he has been rocking across the Midwest with the Madison band Buggatitype 35, in which he

plays drums. The fall will find James and his cat Steve settling into a new life in Tucson, Arizona. Good times, indeed.

MICHELLE SCHENCK will be traveling to Gabon this summer to conduct fieldwork for her master's thesis. She will join a larger study funded by the NSF entitled, "The role of culture and economics in the consumption of bushmeat."

JOHN ISOM is looking forward to completing his dissertation proposal and specific prelims, and to returning to the field this fall for a year. He recently received a year-long fellowship from the Ford Foundation's US Community Forestry Research Fellows Program for doctoral research in the Mattole River region of NW California. He continues to be completely incapable of letting go of his love for the Tibetan Plateau. As such, this year he is consulting part-time for the Tibetan Government in Exile's attempts to participate in the decennial United Nations conference. the World Summit on Sustainable Development. Summer plans include either teaching Environmental Conservation or working again at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. Finally, John continues to be involved in initiatives in writing across the curriculum (WAC) programs on campus. He was named a contact source for the Writing Center's WAC program, and participated in a writing roundtable given to the University's Teaching Academy.

ERIC CARTER leaves for Argentina at the end of April to conduct a year of archival and fieldwork for his dissertation on malaria control in the northwestern region of that country. This research will be supported by a National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Award (PI, KARL ZIMMERER). Last November, he received a Graduate Student Mentor Award from the Graduate Student Council of UW-Madison for

excellence in mentoring fellow graduate students.

In Fall 2002, BETH SCHLEMPER will begin a tenure-track position as Assistant Professor in the Geography-Geology Department at Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois, It is situated in a central location with easy access to Chicago, St. Louis and Madison. The Department is diverse and is growing, which is evident through an exploration of its website http://www.geo.ilstu.edu. She has one pending publication "The Borders of the Holyland of East-Central Wisconsin," which will appear in an edited volume tentatively entitled Wisconsin Germans: Land and Life, editors ROBERT OSTERGREN and Joseph Salmons. Related to this, Beth presented a poster at the Association of American Geographers Meeting in Los Angeles entitled "The Holyland of East-Central Wisconsin: The Regional Construction of Scale."

NEW GRADS

JANINE CLEMMONS (GIS Certificate)
NICK FISHER (GIS Certificate)
GUY GRYPHAN (GIS Certificate)
G. SALIM MOHAMMED (MS)
NEELA NANDYAL (MS)

NEW GEOGRAPHERS



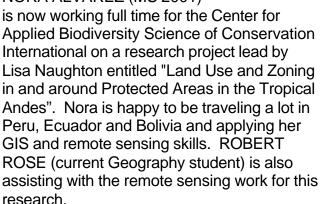
JOE MCCANN (MS 1993) and ANNMARIE TERRACIANO (MS 1994) are proud parents of Kellan Rhodes McCann born on Valentine's Dav.

WILLIAM GARTNER and Michelle Szabo are happy to announce the birth of their first baby, Olivia Christine Gartner, born on April 2, weighing 9 pounds, 4 ounces.

CONGRATULATIONS!!

NEWS FROM ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

Lisa Naughton reports that NORA ALVAREZ (MS 2001)



TIM BAWDEN (Ph.D. 2001) has abandoned his quest to teach at all 13 UW-System schools and has accepted a tenure track position at UW-Eau Claire. He will take over as co-coordinator for the Wisconsin Geographic Alliance in Fall 2002. He is also the Associate Editor for the Wisconsin Geographer and uses every opportunity, like this one, to make blatant plugs for submissions to the journal. He has been invited to give the keynote address at the Geography Department Student Symposium in Madison on April 26.

NORMAN THROWER (MA 1955, PhD 1958), although Professor Emeritus at UCLA, keeps busy by teaching two courses (The Earth from Above: Cartography and Remote Sensing, and Geographical Exploration and Encounter). His recent publications include "Maps and Civilization": University of Chicago Press; and Cartography in Culture and Society, 2nd edition, 1999, with Spanish and Japanese editions forthcoming. Norman has also been busy on the lecture circuit, giving the talk 'A Scientist at Sea: The Voyages of Edmond Halley 1698-1701', at the Royal Astronomical Society in London, and also 'Pepy and the Royal Navy', at the Huntington Library in San Marino, California. He recently

received the 'Order del Merito Civil' from King Juan Carlos of Spain.

PASCAL O. GIROT (MS 1984), a professor at the School of Geography, University of Costa Rica since 1987, published "Raíz y Vuelo: el uso de los reairsos naturales vivientes ar Mesoamerica" in 2000. He was recently named "Environmental Risk Advisor for Latin America and the Caribbean" at the Bureau for Development Policy, United Nations Development Program and also reports that he is the Vice Chair for Mesoamerican. Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy of the World Union for Nature. All of this work may seem overwhelming to some but Pascal has also found time to be a member of the Global IUCN Task Force on Climate Change, Adaptation and Vulnerable Communities in November 2001 and presented a paper titled "Environmental security and disaster risk: the lessons from Mitch", Environment and Security Task Force at the World Conservation Congress-IUCN in Amman, Jordan in October of 2000.

DAVID LOWENTHAL (PhD 1953) recently accepted the J. B. Jackson Book award and the British Academy book prize (short listed), both for the Marsh biography.

PAUL B. OLSEN (BS 1989) is currently a Major in the United States Army Corps of Engineers and will receive his MS in Civil and Infrastructure Engineering from George Mason University in January 2002. Paul's current assignment is the Chief of the Army's Environmental Restoration team and he is working out of the Pentagon. On September 11th, Paul assisted evacuating Pentagon personnel and clearing debris within minutes after the attack.

ANITA HOWARD (MS 2000) sends message that she will be going to the University of Colorado at Boulder in August to work on a PhD in Geography with Kenneth Foote. She

will also have a Research Assistantship with the Geography Faculty Development Alliance.

After graduation from UW in 1983, DAN OLK (BS 1983) spent several years as a graduate student at the University of California – Davis, finally graduating in 1992 with a PhD in Soil Science. He then spent 8 years at the International Rice Research Institute in the Philippines, working on rice soil fertility issues. Since February 2001, Dan has been in Ames, lowa, working as a soil biochemist in the National Soil Tilth Lab of the U.S. Department of Agriculture\Agricultural Research Service. Quite an evolution from agricultural geography! Recent publications include: D.C. Olk et al., 2002: "Why phenolic acids are unlikely allelochemicals in rice" in *Journal of* Chemical Ecology; 2002: "Multinuclear NMR analysis of two humic acid fractions from lowland rice soils" in Journal of Environmental Quality; 2000: "Accumulation of heterocyclic nitrogen in humified organic matter" in European Journal of Soil Science; 2000: "Analysis of phosphorus in two humic acid fractions of intensively cropped lowland rice soils" in European Journal of Soil Science Society of America Journal; 2000: "Decrease in humification of organic matter with intensified lowland rice cropping: A wet chemical and spectroscopic investigation" in Soil Science; and 2000: "Legume decomposition and nitrogen release when applied as green manures to tropical vegetable production systems" in *Agronomy* Journal.



ANNE KNOWLES (PhD 1993) and her family will be moving to Vermont this fall when she takes up a tenure-track position in the Geography Department at Middlebury College. Her

most recent publication is "Past Time, Past Place: GIS for History", published in March 2002 by ESRI Press.

ROSS BAGWELL (BS 1995) has been working as the Data Quality Manager (de facto "Cartographer" or "map quy") for a company called Universal Access Inc located in the Sears tower in downtown Chicago (he lives in the NW suburbs of Chicago) creating a GIS/Mapping section for the company with a significant impact on marketing, sales, and research for the company's various business efforts. This comes from various experiences with working in Cartography/GIS for Rand McNally (2/96 - 7/97), the Oregon Department of Corrections (a prison-run GIS operations group focused on rehabilitation and service to the public, 7/97 - 8/98), and The Sidwell Company (a 'start to finish' aerial mapping and GIS company, specializing in public land survey and cadastral mapping, 8/98 - 7/99). His work has recently been interrupted by the call to duty for participation in Operation Enduring Freedom. Ross is a member of the Illinois National Guard (a Staff Sergeant, serving as Squad Leader for an Air Assault Infantry Company), and his unit received federal activation orders (along with nearly 2,000 other soldiers in IL) to deploy for support missions within Europe for the next 8 months (they will be shipping out on January 2nd).

PETER LUNDBERG (BA 1979) reports that life after Gulliver's Travels is wonderful, and he feel so lucky to have sold it four years ago when the going was good. Of course, he misses all his wonderful former clients like Vance, Martin, Bob, Wally and all the others. But he still tries to keep in touch, and maybe some day will return back to Science Hall and work on a graduate degree with his favorite department. He is having great fun with his other business Janus Galleries, and still building private and corporate collections of 19th-21st century paintings. He is writing a book on the artist George Ames Aldrich, an expatriate painter who spent 30 years in France. In his "spare" time, he continues to

volunteer with Big Brothers and Hospice, and do some competitive running. Life is full, and good. (Peter adds: "PS: Every year we celebrate Christmas at our farm with the WARDS (David is a former faculty member and former Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Madison) and Wileys (John is the current Chancellor). This year John and Georgia couldn't make it, but David and Judith flew in from Washington, and are both extremely happy with life in the big city. David has nearly fully recovered from his Achilles tendon mishap, and is engaging and enthusiastic as ever. I think it is a trait in geographers!")

CORRECTION

PAULA REBERT (PhD 1994) recently published a book, *La Gran Linea: Mapping the United States-Mexico Boundary, 1849-1857* (Austin: University of Texas Press, 2001).



PASSING

Popular UW-Madison soil science professor FRANCIS D. HOLE died at 88. He passionately taught his students to appreciate and enjoy the dirt beneath their feet.

By Lisa Schuetz, Wisconsin State Journal, January 16, 2002

A man who spent much of his life passionately pointing out the intricacies of soil died Tuesday.

Francis D. Hole, 88, emeritus professor of geography and soil science at UW-Madison, was diagnosed in 1996 with prostate cancer. A Quaker, he called it a spiritual signal and love letter from the Divine."

He was born Aug. 25, 1913, in Muncie, Ind. He received a bachelor's degree in geology and biology from Indiana's Earlham College in 1933, a master's degree in French from Pennsylvania's Haverford College in 1934, and a doctorate in soil science and geography from UW-Madison in 1943.

Among UW-Madison's most popular teachers, he joined its staff in 1946, starting a long career teaching others to appreciate what he called their "Earth birthright," an awareness of the soil and enjoyment of it.

He used poetic, romantic terms to describe soil, often using a battered violin, soil auger and suitcase of puppets while performing songs, poems and plays about dirt.

In a 1994 interview, Hole said that one should listen to one's feet to help appreciate what's underneath. "'Oh, this is hard stone. Oh, this is cushiony carpet.' The soles of the feet are enjoying it all, but they generally are not being heard by the rest of the body."

He led a successful grass-roots campaign in 1983 to name Antigo silt loam Wisconsin's state soil.

The gentlemanly Hole disliked gambling, specifically the state lottery, calling it "dishonest and wasteful" in a 1992 letter to the Wisconsin State Journal. He was devoted to nonviolence throughout his life.

Friends plan to hold a memorial service in early February.

GRADUATE DEGREES



PhD Degrees Fall 2001

THOMA, MICHAEL
"Integrated Dual-Level Abstraction in Large-Scale Land Cover Mapping" (Muehrcke)

Masters Degrees Fall 2001

ALVAREZ, NORA

"Deforestation in the Southeastern Peruvian Amazon: Linking Remote Sensing Analysis to Local Views of Landscape Change" (Naughton)

MAYER, JAMES HENDRICK
"The Krmpotich Folsom Site (48SW9826):
Geoarchaeology of a Paleo-Indian Locality in the Killpecker Dunes of Southwestern

Wyoming" (Holliday)

GIS Certificate Fall 2001

SCHWOEGLER, AMANDA

GEOGRAPHY CLUB

The Geography Club here at UW-Madison has finally been resurrected! A few interested undergraduate students decided to get together and meet once a week to plan fun activities and outings. The Club meets during the week on Wednesdays in room 188 in Science Hall at 5:30pm.

The Geography Club has also begun selling T-shirts with the popular cow design on the front (which was designed by DAVID WOODWARD). Please contact JENNIFER KIDDER, jekidder@students.wisc.edu, or ERIK DUTILLY, Ekdutilly@students.wisc.edu for details.





GUEST LECTURER SERIES Fall 2001

CARLOS REBORATTI, Professor of Geography, Instituto de Geografía, Universidad de Buenos Aires and Département de Géographie, Universiteé de Montpelier III, "Indians, Pipelines and Plantations: Land and Environmental Conflict in the Andes"

GREG DOWNEY, Assistant Professor, School of Journalism and Mass Communication and School of Library and Information Studies, University of Wisconsin – Madison, "Telegraph Messenger Boys: Human Geography, history of technology, and 'information labor'"

YI-FU TUAN, Vilas Professor of Geography Emeritus, University of Wisconsin-Madison, "Sense of Place: Its Relationship to the Individual and Time" NICHOLAS PINTER, Professor of Geology, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, "Assessing Flood Hazard on Dynamic Rivers: The Middle Mississippi and Lower Missouri"

GREG MITMAN, Professor of History of Science and History of Medicine, University of Wisconsin-Madison, "Hay Fever Holiday: Health, Leisure, and Place in Gilded Age America"

TAD MUTERSBAUGH, Professor of Geography, University of Iowa, "Organic Coffee in Mexico: Transnationalism, Certification Services, and Village Economic Management"

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