

**Preliminary Program for Middle States Division of the Association of American  
Geographers Annual Meeting  
November 16-17, 2007  
The Inn at Reading, Reading PA**

**Friday, November 16**

11:00am-1:00pm Board Meeting  
1:00pm-2:40pm Session 1  
3:00pm-4:40pm Session 2  
5:00pm-6:40pm Session 3  
7:00pm-8:30pm Dinner  
8:30pm-10:30pm Geography Bowl

**Saturday, November 17**

8:00am-9:40am Session 4  
9:40am-10:20am Session 5: Poster Session and Coffee/Drink Break  
10:20am-12:00pm Session 6  
12:20pm-2:20pm Awards Luncheon

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**11:00am-1:00pm**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

ROOM:

**Session 1: 1:00pm-2:40pm**

**SESSION 1A: STUDYING STREAMS**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Xeflide Seth**, Montclair State University. *Analysis of Baseflow Trends in New Jersey: An Empirical Historical Study.*  
**Kathleen V. Schreiber** and **Allison Polan**, Millersville University. *An REU Faculty-Student Research Project: Impact of Land Use and Precipitation Events on Stream Nitrate Concentrations, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.*  
**Gary W. Coutu** and **Carmen Vega**, West Chester University. *Impacts of Land Use Changes on Runoff Generation in the East Branch Brandywine Creek Watershed using a GIS-Based Hydrologic Model.*  
**Jun Kawashima**, **Dayanna Castillo**, **Daniela Shebitz** and **John Dobosiewicz**, Kean University. *A Preliminary Assessment of the Ecological Integrity of a Campus Stream.*  
**Amy M. Krueger** and **Kelly M. Frothingham**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *Investigating Geomorphological and Ecological Conditions in Stable and Unstable Stream Reaches: A Case Study in Ransom Creek, NY.*

**SESSION 1B: CHANGING URBAN GEOGRAPHIES**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Gregory A. Pope** and **Jennifer L. LaPoma**, Montclair State University. *An Analysis of Topsoil Quality in Urban Curbside Landscaping.*  
**Dorothy Ives Dewey**, West Chester University. *The Multifamily Myth: Exploring the Impacts of Apartments in the Suburbs.*  
**Joel Outtes**, Rowan University; **Ana Cristina Castagna** and **Amanda Fialho Moraes**, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul. *The IFHP- International Federation for Housing and Planning: Themes, Network, Intellectual Output (1913-2007).*  
**Laura Pangallozzi**, Rutgers University. *The Legal Geography of Integration Strategies in U.S. Inner Suburbs.*  
**Adam Steinberg**, Rutgers University. *Camden City, New Jersey: Rotten Center or Crucial Hub?*

**SESSION 1C: TOPICS IN LATIN AMERICAN GEOGRAPHY**

CHAIR: MARGARET F. BOORSTEIN, C.W. POST COLLEGE OF LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY



ROOM:

**Linda Greenow**, SUNY-New Paltz. *Urban Form in Spanish American Colonial Cities: Cartagena, New Granada, in 1777.*  
**Elizabeth Fraser**, SUNY-Cortland. *The Convergence of Three Cultures in the Río Plátano Biosphere Reserve of Honduras.*  
**Michael A. Gall**, Rowan University. *A Comparison of Urban form in La Serena (Chile) and San Diego (USA).*  
**Paul Marr**, Shippensburg University. *Ghosts of the Atacama: The Abandonment of Nitrate Mining in the Tarapacá Region of Chile.*  
**Margaret F. Boorstein**, C.W. Post College of Long Island University. *Coasts: Landfill, Development, and Monumentalizing the Past: Three Approaches along the Río de la Plata of Argentina and Uruguay.*

**SESSION 1D: FOOD, LAND, AND LIFE**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Marilyn Guidry**, Cheyney University. *A Spatial and Seasonal Comparison of Fruit and Vegetable Shelf Space in South and Southwest Philadelphia.*  
**Ian Dunham**, Temple University. *Think Benevolently, Eat Locally: The Local, Regional, and Increasingly Global Motivation for Community Gardening in Philadelphia, PA.*  
**Richard A. Russo**, University of Maryland. *Counting Calories and Miles: Geographical Restraint and a Critique of Progress in the Local Food Movement.*  
**Jason Minderlein**, Rowan University. *Analyzing the Status of Farmland and its Development in New Jersey.*  
**Lawrence McGlinn**, SUNY-New Paltz. *A Geography of Land Trusts in New York State.*

**Session 2: 3:00pm-4:40pm**

**SESSION 2A: TOPICS IN CULTURAL GEOGRAPHY AND GEOGRAPHIC EDUCATION**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Kseniya Popov**, SUNY-Geneseo. *Human Trafficking in Cambodia: A Regional Perspective.*  
**Anouk Patel-Campillo**, Cornell University. *From Producer-Driven to Buyer-Driven Chain? Dynamism and Reorganization in the Dutch Cut flower Agro-industry.*  
**Richard Deal**, Edinboro University. *The Electoral Geography of Pennsylvania's Taxpayer Relief Referendum of 2007.*  
**Denyse Lemaire and David Kasserman**, Rowan University. *The Teaching of Undergraduate University Courses in the Field - A Critical Evaluation.*  
**Angela Cuthbert**, Millersville University. *Service Learning and Geographic Education.*

**SESSION 2B: HUMAN MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL LANDSCAPES**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Heather Lewis**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *Gauging Riparian Landowners' Opinions and Perceptions of Watershed Issues in Gott Creek, Clarence, New York.*  
**Andrew G. Knee**, Rowan University. *Analyzing the Effectiveness of the New Jersey Pinelands Management Plan.*  
**Shahalam M.N. Amin**, Bloomsburg University, and **Humayun Kabir**, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh. *Community Participation in the Management of Freshwater Wetlands in Bangladesh: A Case Study of Tanguar Haor.*  
**Joy Fritschle**, West Chester University. *Restoration in the National Parks: The Redwood National Park Experience.*  
**Neil Manspeizer**, Montclair State University. *Linking Geopietry and Transgression-Tensility Through Landesque Capital: The GAP-Burden Method to Model Social-Ecological Change for Environmental Management in the Laramie Range, WY.*

**SESSION 2C: RESPONDING TO NEOLIBERAL STATES: MEXICO AND THE UNITED STATES**

CHAIR: BRIAVEL HOLCOMB, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

ROOM:

**Claudia Villegas Delgado**, Rutgers University. *Conceptualizing a Space of Dignity: The Case of the Zapatista Rebellion in Mexico.*  
**Rodolfo Alejandro Hernandez Corchada**, City University of New York, *State's Representations on Immigration: Naturalizing Mass Migration in the Neoliberal Period in Mexico.*  
**Arianna Martinez**, Rutgers University. *Creative and Inclusive Solutions to Hazelton PA Ordinance*  
**Erin Araujo**, Hunter College. *Losing Ground: Resistance and the Privatization of Water and Space San Cristobal de las Casas, Chiapas, Mexico.*



Briavel Holcomb, Rutgers University. *A Geography of Remittances: U.S. Policy Implications.*

**SESSION 2D: EXPLORATIONS IN HISTORICAL GEOGRAPHY**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

Wayne Brew, Montgomery County Community College. *The Geography and History of the Union and Schuylkill Canal Systems.*

Charles Travis, Rowan University. *Literary Geographies in 1930s Ireland.*

Jon Malinowski, United States Military Academy. *The Muskrat-Beaver War: Early Environmental Conflict in Orange County, NY.*

Justin D. Procopio and Barry J. Kronenfeld, George Mason University. *An Ecological Landscape Analysis of Presettlement Land Survey Records: How Much of Fairfax County was Burned by Native Americans?*

Samuel Hanes, Rutgers University. *Dividing the Bays: Communitarian and Liberal Discourses and the Origins of American Oyster Management.*

**Session 3: 5:00pm-6:40pm**

**SESSION 3A: TOPICS IN HUMAN GEOGRAPHY**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

Jessica A. Barksdale, Temple University. *Queer Geography: Gay Space.*

Adrian N. Mulligan, Bucknell University. *Countering Exclusion: the 'St. Pats for All' Parade.*

Amy Richmond, United States Military Academy. *How Government Policies Influence Declining Fertility Rates in Developed Countries.*

Benefshah Verell, United States Military Academy. *Spring Valley, Washington DC: Changing Land Use, Demographics, and Social Values from 1900-2000.*

Laurel J. Hummel, United States Military Academy. *Exploring the Links: The Demographic Dimensions of Conflict.*

**SESSION 3B: FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AT THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

ROOM:

PRESENTER/ORGANIZER: TOM BAERWALD, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AND ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHERS.

**SESSION 3C: TOPICS IN PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

Roger W. Brown, Columbus State University (GA). *Ten Years After: Patterns and Trends of Vegetation Establishment on Four Reclaimed Pennsylvania Coal Mines.*

Francis A. Galgano Jr., Villanova University. *Beach Erosion Anomaly Areas: Types and Causes.*

Katarina Doctor, George Mason University. *Analyzing the Probability of Sinkhole Formation in Frederick Valley, Maryland.*

Stephen Vermette, SUNY-Buffalo State College; and Lisa Hall, Laurel Caverns Geological Park. *Cave Climatology of Laurel Caverns, PA.*

**SESSION 3D: AFRICAN GEOGRAPHY**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

Jessica S. Lehman, Penn State University. *Access to Social Services as an Element of Marginalization: The Case of Health Insurance for Small-Scale Gold Miners in Ghana.*

Monica Nyamwange and Pin-Shou Liu, William Paterson University. *Constraints Facing Tourism in Kenya.*

William B. Kory, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown. *Liberia: The New Beginning?*

Kirk Johnson, SUNY-Geneseo. *The Web Presence of Famous Africans in Africa's Geographic Domains: National, Regional, and Continental Levels of Engagement.*

Darrell A. Norris, SUNY-Geneseo. *Myspace is Their Space Too: The Diffusion and Demographics of Myspace.com in the Developing World.*



7:00pm-8:30pm

DINNER

ROOM:

8:30pm-10:30pm

GEOGRAPHY BOWL

ROOM:

Saturday, November 17

Session 4: 8:00am-9:40am

SESSION 4A: HUMAN-ENVIRONMENT INTERACTIONS

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Tammy Trush**, Rowan University. *An Environmental and Locational Piece of the Autism Puzzle.*

**Christopher M. Yanavich**, Rowan University. *Evaluation of Gloucester County, New Jersey Bicycle Infrastructure.*

**Stephen Vermette**, SUNY-Buffalo State College; **Doug Graber Neufeld**, Eastern Mennonite University (VA); and **Joel Bernosky**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *Mapping of Airborne Particulates: Phnom Penh, Cambodia.*

**Dana Bauer** and **Laurie Pickard**, Temple University. *Cooling the Planet, One Consumer at a Time: Framing Scale and Responsibility in the Retail Carbon Offset Market.*

**Rolf Sternberg**, Montclair State University. *Hydropower and the Environment.*

SESSION 4B: LOCATING THE DIVERSE ECONOMY: COMMUNITIES, COMMONS, AND SITES OF WAR

CHAIR: KEVIN ST. MARTIN, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

ROOM:

**Margo Andrews**, Rutgers University. *Political Possibilities of 'Placing' People onto the Land: Re-imagining Community, Commons, and Nature.*

**Bradley Wilson**, Rutgers University. *Fair Trade Dreams: Moral Economies of Peasant Unionism in Nicaragua.*

**Anastasia Wincorn**, Rutgers University. *The History, Diversity and Spatiality of Community Supported Agriculture in New York City.*

**Richard Nisa**, Rutgers University. *Iraqi Economies: War in the Shadows of Capitalocentrism*

Discussant: **Kevin St. Martin**, Rutgers University.

SESSION 4C: FOREST ENVIRONMENTS

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Robert Van Osten** and **Joan M. Welch**, West Chester University. *Potential Wolf Habitat: Road Densities in New York and Pennsylvania.*

**Ashley Ramnes**, SUNY-Oneonta. *The Re-introduction of the Mexican Gray Wolf and the Effects on the Land Through Geographic Information Systems.*

**Nicole Svajlenka**, Colgate University. *Social Factors in Land Use Change: The Case of Eaton, New York*

**Mark A. Blumler**, SUNY-Binghamton. *Near Eastern Pollen Diagrams and "Deforestation."*

**Youngsang Kwon** and **Chris P.S. Larsen**, SUNY-Buffalo. *A Comparison of Forest Growth Rates Across the Eastern USA Using Forest Inventory and Analysis Plot-Level Data and MODIS-Vegetation Index Products.*

SESSION 4D: OPEN DISCUSSION: HEALTH AND DIVERSITY OF OUR GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENTS

ORGANIZER: KEITH HENDERSON, VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY

ROOM:

Facilitator (Healthy Depts.): Tom Baerwald, AAG/National Science Foundation

Facilitator (Diversity Initiatives): **Ines Miyares** (Hunter College)





**Session 5: 9:40am-10:20am**

**POSTER SESSION AND COFFEE/DRINK BREAK**

ROOM:

**Kelly G. Fallows**, Rowan University. *Mapping Success of the Abbott Districts in New Jersey.*

**Mary Perrelli** and **Kim Irvine**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *Synthesis and Mapping of Environmental Data for the Niagara River Tributaries.*

**Amber Westcott**, Rowan University. *Beach Morphology of Fortescue, NJ.*

**Theodore McInerney** and **Stephen Vermette**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *Development of a Severe Winter Index: Buffalo, New York.*

**William F. Maryniewski**, **Mary Perrelli**, and **Joseph Territo**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *Using a Web Mapping Application to Assess Tree Damage on the Buffalo State Campus.*

**Arie Hoogendoorn**, **Jeffrey C. Brunskill**, and **Sandra Kehoe-Forutan**, Bloomsburg University. *A Study of Spatial and Temporal Anomalies Associated with the Placement of Gravestones at McHenry Cemetery in Orangeville, Pennsylvania.*

**Joshua MacFerren**, Rowan University. *Documenting the Influence Transportation Mode on the Settlement Patterns of South Jersey.*

**Joseph Drakes** and **Kerry Kleinfelder**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *A Storm Water Investigation of the Buffalo State College Campus.*

**John Dobosiewicz**, Kean University. *Illustrating Global Climate Change Risk and Vulnerability using GIS.*

**Erin Evertsen**, Montclair State University. *Estimating Imperviousness in New Jersey Watersheds via Correlation with Population Density, 1940 – 2000.*

**Mary Jo Crance** and **Kelly M. Frothingham**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *The Influence of Ice Cover on Stream Flow and Channel Morphology.*

**Kelly M. Frothingham**, SUNY-Buffalo State College. *Investigating the Impact of Dam Removal on Stream Channel Morphology—Step One: Creating an Inventory of Dams in WNY.*

**Session 6: 10:20am-12:00pm**

**SESSION 6A: URBAN RENEWAL AND GENTRIFICATION**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Stephen Stover** and **James P. Lewandowski**, West Chester University. *Economic Development and the new Baseball Stadium in Washington DC.*

**Brett Wallace**, SUNY-Cortland. *A Case Study of Urban Renewal in Cortland, New York.*

**Jo Margaret Mano**, SUNY-New Paltz. *Re-visioning the Aging "New Towns" of Stevenage, England and Columbia, Maryland.*

**Claire Jantz** and **Paul Marr**, Shippensburg University. *Gentrification and Neighborhood Dynamics in Harrisburg, PA.*

**SESSION 6B: NATIONALISM, THE MILITARY, AND THE STATE**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Jon A. Bushman**, United States Military Academy. *The Historical Development of the Site of the National World War II Memorial.*

**James F. Chastain** and **Brian Dunmire**, United States Military Academy. *Why AFRICOM Now? The Military and Political Geography of the Unified Command Plan in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.*

**Edward Heath Robinson**, SUNY-Buffalo. *The Ontology of the State: A Geographic Response to Smith.*

**Steven Oluic**, United States Military Academy. *The Sandžak Region of Serbia - Transitioning to a Radical Islamic Space?*

**SESSION 6C: TOO MUCH WATER (OR NOT ENOUGH)**

CHAIR:

ROOM:

**Tao Tang**, SUNY-Buffalo State College; and **Gregory Keyser**, CRA Infrastructure and Engineering, Buffalo, NY. *Spatial Analysis of Household Water Supply and Demand in a Distributed Geographic Network in the Town of Amherst and Clarence, New York.*

**Robert Roth**, Penn State University. *The Use of Remotely Sensed Imagery and GIS Analysis for the Automated Detection of Water Infiltration on Residential Structures.*



**Razy Kased**, University at Buffalo. *"NOLA- New Orleans"- Reconstruction of homes in New Orleans: Lower Ninth Ward, Post Hurricane Katrina.*

**Joseph P. Henderson**, United States Military Academy; and **Henri D. Grissino-Mayer**, University of Tennessee. *Dendroclimatic Reconstruction of Drought History in the Southeastern Coastal Plain using Longleaf Pine.*

**Brentley Wade Moats**, Penn State University. *Assessing the Impact of Flood Inundation in the Devils Lake Area: A Remote Sensing Approach.*

**SESSION 6D: PANEL DISCUSSION: CONSIDERING GRADUATE SCHOOL - AN OPEN DISCUSSION FOR UNDERGRADUATES.**

ORGANIZER: KEITH HENDERSON, VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY

ROOM:

Panelists: **Briavel Holcomb**, Rutgers University

**Jake Lewandowski**, West Chester University

**Gary Coutu**, West Chester University

**Robert Mason**, Temple University

**Ines Miyares**, Hunter College

**Jodi Vender**, Penn State

**12:20pm-2:20pm**

**AWARDS LUNCHEON**

- Business Meeting – Steven Schnell, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
- Results of Secretary Election
- Keynote Speaker: **Tom Baerwald**, President, Association of American Geographers: *Broadening Our Horizons.*
- Student Paper Awards

