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Letter from the Chair

The annual meeting in Portland lies just ahead, and once again Urban Geography occupies a prominent place in the program. Thanks again to everyone who contributed to this effort by organizing sessions and preparing papers. Given the lead time, it is already appropriate to develop plans for the 1988 AAG meeting, and I would appreciate hearing from those of you who want to put together special sessions (the call for papers for the Phoenix meeting will appear in the May <u>AAG Newsletter</u>).

I would like to take this opportunity to invite each of you to attend the UGSG Board of Directors meeting in Portland on April 22. The meeting is open to all UGSG members, and has been scheduled on Wednesday so as to accommodate arrivees from points east. Please also plan to attend the UGSG business Meeting on April 23. At both of these meetings we will be reporting on the many pursuits of UGSG that will be familiar to you from reading this issue as well as previous newsletters.

A final reminder: the ballot for the election of UGSG officers and board members is included in this newsletter. Please take a few moments to complete it and mail it to me if you are an eligible voter.

As my stewardship of this office draws to a close, I want to thank all who made this such a pleasant and rewarding experience. It is my observation that the health of our sub-discipline is robust, and that dedicated workers throughout North America are advancing our frontiers in timely fashion. I look forward to seeing all of you in Portland next month.

Peter Muller UGSG Chair

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UGSG Activities at the 1987 Portland Meetings

Wednesday, April 22

6:00-7:00 pm. Board Meeting. Chair: Peter Muller.

Thursday, April 23

6:50-7:50 am. Special Breakfast Meeting for Geographers Doing Research or Applying their Skills in the Suburbs. Organizers: Thomas J. Baerwald, Glenn R. Miller. Chairs: Thomas J. Baerwald, Glenn R. Miller.

7:50-9:30 am. Territory and Reproduction I (co-sponsored by Society and Space). Organizer: Jennifer R. Wolch. Chair: Jennifer R. Wolch. Michael Storper, Allen J. Scott "High Technology Industry and Regional Development: A Theoretical Critique and Reconstruction"; Shoukry T. Roweis "Can Territory be Constituted as a Distinctive Object of Discourse?"; Glenda Laws "Restructuring, Privatisation and Housing the Service Dependent".

9:50-11:30 am. Urban Locational Conflict (co-sponsored by Political Geography Specialty Group). Organizer: Fred M. Shelley. Chair: Nancy Ettinger. Robert W. Lake "Pluralist Contradictions in Community Conflict Over Siting Hazardous Waste Facilities"; Diane Whalley "Household Response to Structural Aging in the Housing Market: Mobility versus Rehabilitation"; Dean S. Rugg "Spatial Exclusion and Disparities within the American Metropolitan Area: A Locational Conflict". Discussant: David R. Reynolds.

9:50-11:30 am. Territory and Reproduction II (co-sponsored by Society and Space). Organizer: Jennifer R. Wolch. Chair: Michael Dear. Ruth Fincher "Social Reproduction in Urban Localities"; Adam I. Moos "West Hollywood: Child of a Gay and Senior Marriage"; Dana Cuff "Factions in the Ranks: Design Professionals as Community Activists".

9:50-11:30 am. Urban Landscape and the Arts. Organizer: Daniel D. Arreola. Chair: Daniel D. Arreola. C. L. Salter "Landscape Imagery in the Urban Novel"; Kenneth E. Foote "Relics of Old London: Photographs of a Changing Victorian City"; Peter J. Hugill, Teddy Halloran "Images of the City in American Narrative Cinema (A Videotape)"; Daniel D. Arreola "Photorealist Art and the American Urban Landscape". Discussant: Edmund V. Bunkse.

1:40-3:20 pm. The Regional Structure of Apartheid (co-sponsored by African Specialty Group). Organizer: John Pickles. Chair: Anthony Lemon. David M. Smith "Uneven Development, Labour Supply and the Urbanization Process: The Case of South Africa"; DeWitt Davis, Jr. "Apartheid Dismantling: A Racial and Geographic Necessity"; F. Landis MacKellar "Regional Spillover Effects of the Economic Crisis in South Africa". Discussant: Michael Watts.

3:40-5:20 pm. The Corporate City. Organizer: James O. Wheeler. Chair: James O. Wheeler. Robert A. Harper "The Geography of World Corporate Management"; David R. Meyer "The Economic Intermediary and the Corporation"; Milford B. Green "Patterns of Venture Capital Investment in the United States: 1972-1985"; James O. Wheeler "Corporate Spatial Links of U.S. Metropolitan Areas: The Dallas Example".

5:40-6:40 pm. Business Meeting. Chair: Peter O. Muller.

Friday, April 24

9:50-11:30 am. Cycles of Urban Restructuring. Organizer: Neil Smith. Chair: Joanna Regulska. Andrew Mair "Urban Growth Coalitions in Historical Perspective"; Robert A. Beauregard "Construction Cycles and Uneven Spatial Development: Philadelphia, 1960-1985"; Philip N. Cooke "Spatial Culture and the Paradigm of Postmodernity". Discussant: Mickey Lauria.

1:40-3:20 pm. Housing, Class and the City. Organizer: Neil Smith. Chair: Erica J. Schoenberger. Vera Chouinard "Class Formation, Conflict and Housing Policies"; Leyla Vural "The Inadequacy of Housing the In-Betweens in New York City". Discussant: Joanna Regulska.

3:40-5:20 pm. Race, Ethnicity, and Residential Patterns. Organizer: Hazel A. Morrow-Jones. Chair: Hazel A. Morrow-Jones. Hazel A. Morrow-Jones "Racial Differences in Housing Life-Cycles in the United States"; Holly Myers-Jones "Black Suburbanization and the Metropolitan Opportunity Structure"; Claudia Daly "Ethnicity and Groups of Association Among Real Estate Agents in the Denver Metropolitan Area"; Thomas D. Boswell "Hispanic Residential Segregation Patterns in Metropolitan Miami: 1980". Discussant: Robert W. Lake.

3:40-5:20 pm. Industrialization and Urbanization: Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives (co-sponsored by Socialist Geography Specialty Group). Organizer: Neil Smith. Chair: Neil Smith. Richard Walker "Industrialization and Urbanization: The Case of the San Francisco Bay Area"; Philip Scranton "The Pattern of Regional Industrial Decay: Philadelphia Textiles, 1916-31"; Ira Katznelson "Marxism and the City". Discussant: Edward Soja.

Saturday, April 25

7:50-9:30 am. Authors Meet the Critics: Panel Discussion of Clark, Gertler, and Whiteman's <u>Regional</u> <u>Dynamics</u>. Organizer: Robert W. Lake. Chair: Robert W. Lake. Panelists: Robert W. Lake, Robert A. Beauregard, Erica J. Schoenberger, Edward J. Malecki, Jr., Neil Smith, Gordon Clark.

Election of Officers

The ballot for election of UGSG officers is included in this newsletter. Only those who were UGSG members as of January 1, 1986 may participate in the election. Ballots sent to ineligible persons have been voided.

The following biographical information has been submitted by the candidates.

Chairperson

W. Randy Smith

<u>Current Position</u>: Associate Professor, Department of Geography, The Ohio State University. <u>Teaching and Research Interests</u>: urban geography, especially the structure of and change in urban systems in different development contexts; suburbanization; geographic education. <u>Major Achievements in the Last Five Years</u>: monograph on urban system development; papers on population dynamics in urban systems in North America and East Asia; recent chapter on the role of geography in precollegiate global studies courses; ongoing work on urban system evolution. <u>Prior Service and Involvement in UGSG</u>: Board Member 1983-86; Secretary/Treasurer 1983-86; Organizer/Participant in Special Sessions sponsored by UGSG at AAG annual meetings; Long Range Planning Committee 1985. <u>Objectives in Serving as UGSG Chairperson</u>: a) to be involved in the implementation of the recommendations of the Long Range Planning Committee; b) to give special attention to UGSG's potential input to teaching activities/materials; c) to promote and further develop interaction among urban geographers.

Vice-Chairperson

Robin Datel

<u>Current Position</u>: Lecturer, Department of Geography, University of California, Davis. <u>Teaching and</u> <u>Research Interests</u>: urban geography, especially North American and European, landscapes, planning, perception, historic preservation; other courses include economic, cultural, quantitative methods. <u>Major</u> <u>Achievements in the Last Five Years</u>: Dissertation, "Historic Districts in Three American and Two West European Cities: A Geographic Study," winner of the second annual UGSG dissertation award; American Council of Learned Societies-sponsored research on historic preservation and regionalism in cities of the American South; Coordinator, Center for Design Research, UCD. <u>Prior Service to the</u> <u>AAG/UGSG</u>: Organizer and participant, AAG annual meeting sessions; newsletter editor and secretarytreasurer, AAG Environmental Perception Specialty Group, 1985-87. <u>Objectives in Serving as UGSG</u> <u>Vice-Chairperson</u>: Implementation of the recommendations of the UGSG Long-Range Planning Committee, especially those relating to policy review, an international focus, and collaborative research efforts.

Hazel A. Morrow-Jones

<u>Current Position</u>: Assistant Professor, Department of Geography and Professional Staff Member, Population Processes Program, Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado, Boulder. <u>Teaching and Research Interests</u>: My teaching interests include world regional geography, regional development, urban, population geography, and residential mobility. My current research activities involve urban residential land use, housing life cycles, and the housing of subgroups of the population (especially subgroups defined on the basis of race, gender, and age). <u>Major Achievements in the Last Five Years</u>: NSF grant on race and housing; completion of a HUD funded study on first time homebuyers; organization of a workshop on teaching world geography for the NCGE national meetings in 1985; invitation to submit progress reports on the geography of housing to <u>Urban Geography</u>; paper presentation at the International Conference on Housing Policy in Gavle, Sweden. <u>Prior Service to the</u> <u>AAG/UGSG</u>: UGSG Board member, 1985-1987; UGSG Secretary/Treasurer 1986-87; Population Specialty Group Board member 1984-87; Nystrom Awards Committee 1981-82; three AAG special sessions organized; member UGSG policy group; regional awards committee of NCGE. <u>Objectives in</u> <u>Serving as UGSG</u> <u>Vice-Chairperson</u>: Urban Geography is an important and respected subfield within geography. This image, and the reality it's based on, need to be fostered by continued communication and outreach via the newsletter, special sessions at meetings, and so on. In addition, I'd like to find ways to extend recognition of the importance of urban geography among non-geographers. In particular, I'd like to enhance the work begun over the past year as a result of the group's long range planning document. This document encouraged emphasis on policy review, student involvement, urban geography teaching, and newsletter expansion. These are all things that can be used to extend the influence of UGSG beyond the field of geography and beyond its traditional audience.

Board of Directors

Thomas A. Clark

<u>Current Position</u>: Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of Colorado at Denver, and member of the faculty of the Graduate Program in Urban and Regional Planning, School of Architecture and Planning, UC-Denver. <u>Teaching and Research Interests</u>: Urban economic development, suburbanization and neighborhood process, regional policy, and methods of forecasting and policy analysis. <u>Major Achievements in the Last Five Years</u>: U.S. Delegate to the United Nations' Fifth Conference on Urban and Regional Research in Portugal; Articles in <u>Urban Geography</u> (2), <u>Professional Geographer, Review of Regional Studies</u>, <u>Urban Studies</u>, and chapters in seven books; Co-author, <u>Urban America</u>, report to the National Urban Policy Committee of the Joint Economic Committee of the U.S. Congress; Book, <u>Community Economic Development</u>, near completion; Referee for NSF and numerous journals in geography and planning. <u>Prior Service to the AAG/UGSG</u>: Head of task force on National Urban Policy for the Policy Review Committee of the UGSG. <u>Objectives in Serving on the UGSG</u> <u>Board</u>: Extend the reach of the UGSG by supporting new urban research initiatives including ones in national and cross-national policy research; instituting a major review of role of the sub-field of urban geography within undergraduate and graduate curricula; joining UGSG more thoroughly to local and national policy debates; sustaining key initiatives already underway.

Larry R. Ford

<u>Current Position</u>: Professor, Department of Geography, San Diego State University. <u>Teaching and Research Interests</u>: comparative urbanization; the impact of different social and political systems on urban morphology and change; historic preservation and its relation to social and economic change in neighborhoods. <u>Major Achievements in the Last Five Years</u>: articles in <u>Geographical Review</u>, <u>Journal of Geography</u>, <u>Professional Geographer</u>, and <u>Landscape</u>; NCGE outstanding teacher award; selected to American Institute of Architects awards committee for evaluating San Diego; selected to Historic Site Board for San Diego; numerous presentations at professional meetings and to local groups. <u>Prior Service to the AAG/UGSG</u>: President, Association of Pacific Coast Geographers 1982-83; APCG Nominating Committee 1984-85; Program Chair , NCGE meetings 1982; participation/organization of sessions at AAG meetings. <u>Objectives in Serving on the UGSG Board</u>: To assist the task force devoted to improving teaching in urban geography; establish liaison between practicing urban geographers and those in government offices and community organizations; foster interactions with urban geographers in other countries as a means of identifying fresh approaches to both academic and policy issues; search for creative mergers between traditional urban geography and <u>avant-garde</u> approaches, and to decrease polarization between the 'space' and 'place' approaches to urban geography.

Meric S. Gertler

<u>Current Position</u>: Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, University of Toronto. <u>Teaching and Research Interests</u>: teaching urban-economic geography, regional development, urban planning and policy analysis; research interests include the geography of urban and regional investment in the U.S. and Canada, political-economic dimensions of the urban and regional development process, theory and modeling of temporal and spatial dynamics of urban and regional growth/decline. <u>Major Achievements in the Last Five Years</u>: Co-author of <u>Regional Dynamics</u>: <u>Studies in Adjustment Theory</u>, Allen & Unwin, 1986; author of progress report series on regional development for <u>Urban Geography</u>; PI on two major research projects - The Structure of Urban and Regional Investment in Canada, and Determinants and Impacts of Canadian Urban and Regional Investment, 1955-1983. <u>Prior Service to the AAG/UGSG</u>:

Organized a session for Portland AAG meeting; participated in numerous AAG paper sessions over the past five years; subject of 1987 UGSG Portland session - "Authors Meet the Critics". <u>Objectives in Serving on the UGSG Board</u>: To encourage participation of young scholars in UGSG/AAG activities; to explore further joint initiatives with related AAG specialty groups, including industrial geography; to promote interaction with the world of urban planning and policy analysis.

Mary Beth Pudup

<u>Current Position</u>: Postdoctoral Research Assistant Professor, Regional Research Institute, West Virginia University. <u>Teaching and Research Interests</u>: Comparative urban and regional development; industrial location. <u>Major Achievements in the Last Five Years</u>: Dissertation, "Land Before Coal: Class and Regional Development in Southeast Kentucky," University of California, Berkeley, 1987; AAG Research Grant on southern industrial strategies. <u>Objectives in Serving on the UGSG Board</u>: Help initiate sessions during annual meetings devoted to collective critical appraisals of recent scholarship in the field. Help initiate a regular (annual or biannual) award for recently-published monographs in urban geography.

Joanna Regulska

<u>Current Position</u>: Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Rutgers University. <u>Teaching and</u> <u>Research Interests</u>: East-West urban comparative analysis; state-local relationships in different political contexts; women and urban space; Eastern and Western Europe. <u>Major Achievements in the Last Five</u> <u>Years</u>: Cross-national research on ideology and urban space funded by IREX, CEX, ACLS (PI and co-PI); publications on urban policy, socio-economic and spatial inequalities, urban planning, gender and urban environment. <u>Prior Service to the AAG/UGSG</u>: Member, AAG International Action Committee (1985-); Regional representative CSWG (1983-85); Member, Board of Directors Population Specialty Group and Geographic Perspectives on Women (1982-84); Coordinator of sessions for annual meeting for UGSG (1987) and PSG (1984). <u>Objectives in Serving on the UGSG Board</u>: To foster the development and expansion of international research contacts among urban geographers and to strengthen the role of UGSG as an organizing force; to encourage the early involvement of graduate students in professional activities.

Damaris Rose

<u>Current position</u>: Assistant professor, Institut national de la recherche scientifique-Urbanisation, Universite du Quebec, Montreal, Canada. <u>Research and teaching interests</u>: Urban social geography: links between employment restructuring, gender relations and neighborhood change; women and urban environments; housing policy and the politics of home-ownership. <u>Major achievements in the last five years</u>: D. Phil. (University of Sussex, England), 1984, "Home-ownership, uneven development and industrial change" - forthcoming as a book; articles: gentrification, feminist analysis of urban structure, single parent families; Research projects funded by Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (2, co-authored) on labor force and household restructuring at neighborhood level; learning to work in French. <u>Prior involvement in AAG</u>: Papers presented at 6 of the last 8 annual meetings; evaluations for AAG; also member of GPOW, SGSG. <u>Objectives in serving on the UGSG Board</u>: Increase interchange between Canadian and US urban geography; promote inter- and intra-urban scale research on social impacts of employment restructuring; help expand UGSG activities promoting graduate work in urban geography.

IGU Commission Meeting

The IGU Commission on Urban Systems in Transition is meeting from June 21-25 at University College, Dublin, Ireland. The themes of the conference are: theoretical and methodological issues in the analysis of change in urban systems; recent demographic and labor force changes; technology and communication innovations and their impact on urban and regional systems; and the structure of and change in the Irish urban system. For further information, please contact Michael Bannon, Department of Regional and Urban Planning, University College, Dublin, Richview, Dublin 14, Ireland and Larry S. Bourne, Department of Geography, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 1A1 Canada.

Center for Urban Policy Research Conferences

The Center for Urban Policy Research at Rutgers University is sponsoring three interdisciplinary conferences to be held in Washington, D.C. The titles and dates of the conferences are: 1. Planning Theory in the 1990s: A Search for Future Directions. March 31-April 1, 1987. 2. America's New Economic Geography: Nation, Region and Central City. April 29-30, 1987. 3. The Practical Politics of Hazardous Waste Management: Transcending the Siting Dilemma. May 5-6, 1987.

For more information on the presentations and for registration materials, please contact: Mrs. Mary Picarella, CUPR, P. O. Box 489, Piscataway, NJ 08855-0489 or call (201) 932-3133.

Young Geographers at the University of Arizona

This issue's student column focuses on research at the University of Arizona, and was submitted by $\underline{\text{Tim}}$ $\underline{\text{Fik}}$ -- Ed.

Kathleen Brown is currently examining problems and issues of downtown redevelopment and inner-city housing. Her work will concentrate on land use regulation and its connection to the reuse of vacant or under utilized property, to revitalization policy, and to differential growth rates in the Northeastern and Southwestern portions of the United States. Tim Fik is conducting his dissertation research on spatial price competition, industrial location, consumer welfare, and time-space geography. His interests include spatial econometric analysis and simulation modeling of hierarchical systems. Ellen Hansen is interested in women's studies and patterns of family migration in Latin America. Her master's thesis will focus on women's role in the migration decision-making process, particularly among low income groups in Hermosillo, Mexico. Norman Hom is exploring the function of entrepreneurs in changing the urban landscape. He is currently interested in the impacts of planned geographic patterns on the housing market in large cities. Tina Kennedy is focusing her doctoral studies in behavioral geography, resource control, and environmental perception. She will be investigating the urban forest of Tucson, comparing residential vegetation with the underlying morphology and attitudes among various ethnic groups. Jorge Lizarraga's thesis examines the role of Nogales, Arizona in the Northwest Mexican agricultural and industrial export system. His broader interests are in Ekistics, U.S.-Mexico border cities, urbanization in Latin America, and U.S. ethnic/racial neighborhood relations. Mark Miller is interested in urban and regional development with an emphasis on Latin America and the Caribbean. His dissertation research involves an analysis of Mexico's urban decentralization with regard to housing resources. Gary Peterson's research focuses on urban land use planning and the manner in which intra-urban morphology is affected by planning decisions. He is also researching land use intensity from a space-time perspective, and is examining the development and evolution of mixed land use areas within cities. George Tower's research activities center around the topic of Latin American urbanization and community structure. His dissertation will be on the urban geography of marginal housing in border cities. Barbara van Leeuwen is contrasting urbanization in the United States and Kenya. Her other interests include the problems of suburbanization and sprawl. John Yang's dissertation research is centered on interaction modeling at the urban-rural interface. He has been simulating land use patterns and their change within the context of central place theory.

Recent Books of Interest

Between Citizen and City, by John Clayton Thomas. University Press of Kansas, 1986.

Bucolic Myths: Towards a More Urbanist Environmentalism, by Robert Paehlke. Centre for Urban and Community Studies, University of Toronto, 1986.

Canada's Ethnic Mosaic: Characteristics and Patterns of Ethnic Origin Groups in Urban Areas, by L. S.

Bourne, A. Baker, W. Kalbach, R. Cressman, and D. Green. Center for Urban and Community Studies, University of Toronto, 1986.

The <u>City and the Sign</u>, edited by M. Gottdiener and Alexandros Ph. Lagopoulous. Columbia University Press, 1986.

<u>Competition for Urban and Rural Space in Latin America.</u> Its <u>Consequences for Low Income Groups</u>, edited by J. M. G. Kleinpenning. Netherlands Geographical Studies, 1986.

The Functioning of Periodic Markets in the Bombay Metropolitan Region, by L. L. J. M. Dirrix, T. K. Grimmius, and P. Van der Veen. Netherlands Geographical Studies, 1986.

The Geography of Third World Cities, by Stella Lowder. Barnes and Noble, 1987.

Neighborhood Upgrading, by David P. Varady. SUNY Albany Press, 1986.

The New Urban Landscape, by David Schuyler. Johns Hopkins University Press, 1986.

Patterns of Development, by George Sternlieb. Center for Urban Policy Research, Rutgers University, 1986.

Perspectives in Urban Geography, edited by C. S. Yadav. D. K. Agencies (P) Ltd., 1986.

<u>Planning the International Border Metropolis</u>, edited by Lawrence A. Herzog. Center for U.S.-Mexico Studies, University of California, San Diego, 1986.

Progress Against Growth, edited by Thomas R. Vale. Guilford, 1986.

Progress in Settlement Systems Geography, edited by L. S. Bourne, B. Cori, and K. Dziewon'ski. Franco Angeli, 1986.

<u>Resolving Locational</u> <u>Conflict</u>, edited by Robert W. Lake. Center for Urban and Policy Research, Rutgers University, 1987.

Spatial Patterns of Social Change: The Return of the Great Canadian Factor Analysis by J. W. Simmons and B. Speck. Centre for Urban and Community Studies, University of Toronto, 1986.

The <u>Take-Off</u> of <u>Suburbia</u> and the <u>Crisis</u> of the <u>Central</u> <u>City</u>, edited by Gunter Heinritz and Elisabeth Lichtenberger. Franz Steiner, 1986.

Urban Social Movements: The City After Castells, by Stuart Lowe. St. Martin's, 1986.

<u>Urban Studies: A Bibliography of Periodical Articles</u>, by James O. Wheeler. Council of Planning Librarians, 1986.

<u>Urban Systems in Transition</u>, edited by J. G. Borchert, L. S. Bourne, and R. Sinclair. Netherlands Geographical Studies, 1986.

Mobility Trends Newsletter

<u>Mobility Trends</u>, a newsletter published by Atlas Van Lines, is available free of charge by writing Atlas Van Lines, P. O. Box 4403, Chicago, Illinois 60680. The quarterly publication publishes up-to-date information on changes in population redistribution, home ownership, employment, and social forces

impacting population mobility. Most material published in the newsletter summarizes highlights of government reports and academic publications.

Neighborhood Systems Association

The Neighborhood Systems Association is an interdisciplinary body devoted to the study of neighborhoods. Its journal, <u>Neighborhood Systems</u>, is edited by Sherman Lewis, Dept. of Political Science, California State University, Hayward, California, 94542. For more information contact Professor Lewis.

Your Newsletter

Do you have an item for the next issue of the newsletter? If so, you are encouraged to send it 'express' to the editor via BITNET (address: GEG172@UKCC). Or send it the old fashioned way to: John Paul Jones, III, Department of Geography, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506. Phone: (606) 257-6950.

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