Putnam biography launched

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

It’s been a project that has surpassed our wildest expectations. On Saturday June 17, 2000, more than 100 alumni and friends gathered at the Putnam Years Reunion to celebrate the launch of *Down to Earth: A Biography of Geographer Donald Fulton Putnam*, by Robert G. Putnam, B.A. 5T9 and Marie Sanderson, B.A. 4T4. The publication of the book is a millennium project co-sponsored by the Department of Geography and UTAGA.

*Down to Earth* chronicles Dr. Putnam’s early years and his association with the Department of Geography at U of T, an association which lasted almost 40 years until his death in 1977. It includes a history of the establishment and early years of the department, many recollections from Dr. Putnam’s former students and colleagues, as well as many photographs. Books can be ordered using the form on page 19. (See *Putnam Years Reunion* page 10 for additional coverage of the event.)

In addition to honouring an individual who was so highly regarded by so many, and to preserve an important part of the department’s history, the book has been used to launch a scholarship, “The Donald F. Putnam Graduate Scholarship”. This scholarship will be awarded annually to graduate students concentrating in physical and environmental geography, with outstanding achievements entering or continuing in a research-oriented degree program.

The book is being distributed free-of-charge, however recipients have been asked to consider making donations to the new scholarship fund. The results thus far have been remarkable. To date more than $25,000 in donations and pledges has been received, an amount matched by the University under its recent Graduate Matching Program Initiative, which will create an endowment in excess of $50,000.

“The response to this project has been amazing,” says co-author Marie Sanderson. “Robert and I were delighted to undertake the project and to donate the book to the Department and UTAGA. The generosity of alumni and friends has been outstanding. I am sure that Dr. Putnam would be very pleased to know that so many people have been so generous in funding this scholarship.”

*Editor’s Note: Down to Earth* and many of the recollections by alumni included in it, came out of the work of UTAGA’s History of the Department Sub-committee. We are grateful to this group for its efforts and to our authors, Robert Putnam and Marie Sanderson, for giving us this tremendous gift in *Down to Earth.*

A first for U of T

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

On August 18, 2000, Professor Emeritus Leslie Curry became the first professor from the University of Toronto to be awarded a Lauréat d’Honneur from the International Geographical Union (IGU). This prestigious award is conferred by the Union “on persons who have achieved particular distinction or who have rendered outstanding service in the work of the IGU or in the field of international geography and environmental research”.

The IGU citation for Professor Curry describes him as “A scholar who by way of his contributions in climatology, economic geography and spatial analysis has challenged established lines of thinking and provided valuable new insights into the ways whereby human behaviour shapes the world we live in. Professor Curry’s theoretical studies in economic geography especially, studies that draw upon the mathematics of probability theory and the concepts of physical systems analysis, have been unmatched in their originality and rigour and have established his international reputation as one of the leading theoreticians in the discipline. His work also has commanded the attention of scholars in other disciplines and of policy makers in government.”

Professor Curry taught at the University of Toronto for twenty years before retiring in 1985. During his career he was active in promoting international cooperation in scholarship and from 1976 to 1984 he chaired the IGU Working Group on Systems Analysis and Mathematical Models.

The award was presented at the IGU Congress in Seoul, Korea. At the Congress Dr. Audrey Kobayashi, President of the Canadian Association of Geographers, kindly arranged a dinner honouring Dr. Curry, attended by Canadians and friends who were in Seoul. It turned out to be as much a roast by former students as anything else.

Insider this issue...*

To much to list here! Enjoy!
Department News

Professor Robert Lewis, B.A. 8T3 has been promoted to the position of Associate Professor with tenure. He recently had a book published (see page 14) and is currently on research leave until June 30, 2001.

In July Geoff Matthews, the department’s former Chief Cartographer visited the department. This was Geoff’s first visit to Canada since retiring in 1993 and moving with his family to Australia.

Professor Tony Davis is continuing in his position as Undergraduate Co-ordinator.

Professor Scott Munro appeared on the question and answer section of CBC Radio’s Quirks and Quarks program, answering questions as to why lakes that receive runoff from melting glaciers have a distinctive greenish blue colour. The program aired on June 24, 2000. This past February Professor Munro was featured in the program “Mysteries in the Ice” which aired on the Discovery Channel. The program focused on how ice cores, glacier variations and ice research in general may be indicating that significant environmental change is occurring, particularly in the direction of global warming. Professor Munro’s role was to point out that the Peyto Glacier, his own field area, is fairly typical of world conditions.

Professor Tony Price was awarded the University of Toronto at Scarborough (UTS) Teaching Award this year. The award was established to recognize excellence in teaching at UTS. Congratulations Tony!

Mary Thornbush, current M.Sc. student, Joe Desloges, supervisor, was recently awarded The General Motors Women in Science and Mathematics Award (2000). The award is given to outstanding women scholars engaging in scientific research.

Professor Rodney White has accepted a five-year appointment as Director of the Institute for Environmental Studies and has transferred his undergraduate teaching to the St. George campus from UTM. In the coming academic year he will be teaching GGR 334S “Water Resource Management” and JPG 1911 “Cities as Ecosystems”.

Announcements

On July 1, 2000, Robert Birgeneau became U of T’s 14th president, replacing J. Robert S. Prichard who served as president for the past 10 years. Birgeneau is an alumnus of St. Michael’s College and was dean of the School of Science at MIT prior to becoming president.

Professor Larry Bourne has been named as UTAGA Honorary President this year. Professor Bourne will be presented with his award at the Department’s annual Graduation Reception and Awards presentation on November 10, 2000. See page 16 for details. Professor Bourne has also been appointed Director of Planning for a two-year term.

Professor Les Curry has been given the Lauréat d’Honneur from the International Geographical Union (see page 1). It is a very high honour. Congratulations Les.

This summer we were pleased to receive a visit from Professor Emeritus John Dakin. John retired as Chairman of the Department of Urban and Regional Planning in 1972. We are pleased to announce that he plans to contribute a series of thought-provoking brief articles entitled “Planning Bites” to GEOPLAN, see page 9 for the first installment.

Professor Richard DiFrancesco has been promoted to the rank of Associate Professor with tenure.

Professor Gunter Gad, Ph.D. 7T6 has been appointed as Graduate Co-ordinator for a one-year term. He is currently on research leave until January, but is “in town” for his administrative responsibilities.

Professor Meric Gertler is on research leave until December 31, 2000.

Professor Danny Harvey, M.Sc. 8T0, Ph.D. 8T6 has been promoted to the position of Professor. He also had two books published this year (see page 14).

Professor Reiner Jaakson, DTRP 6T5, M.Sc.Pl. 6T8 has moved his teaching to the University of Toronto at Mississauga (UTM, i.e. Erindale College). Students at UTM will now be treated to the opportunity of taking Professor Jaakson’s “Recreation Geography”, “Geography of Tourism” and “Environmental Justice” courses without a long commute into the city. Professor Jaakson will continue to supervise graduate students and will continue to offer his graduate courses out of UTM.

We are pleased to announce that Joe Leydon, Ph.D. 9T5 has renewed his contract position with the department for another year. Joe will be teaching Robert Lewis’ courses while Robert is on research leave.

We are pleased to welcome the following instructors to our teaching staff this year: Yael Levitte, M.Sc.Pl. 9T8 and Ph.D. candidate, A. Daniere and M. Gertler supervisors. Yael will be teaching PLA 1105S “Planning Decision Methods” to first year planning students. Norma Rantisi, Ph.D. candidate, M. Gertler supervisor. Norma will be teaching GGR 431F “Regional Dynamics”. Phillip Xie. Phillip is currently in the process of completing his Ph.D. at Waterloo. He will be teaching GGR 256F “Recurrence Geography”, GGR 327S “Social Research Methods”, GGR 436S “Geography of Tourism”, and GGR 456F “Environmental Justice” at the St. George campus.

Dr. Jing Chen joined the department on July 1, 2000 as a full Professor. He will be teaching GGR 337H/JPG 1911 Remote Sensing and GGR 462H/JPG1914 Spatial Information Systems in the winter term.

Dr. Chen received his B.Sc. in meteorology from the Nanjing Institute of Meteorology, P.R. China and his Ph.D. in Meteorology from Reading University, United Kingdom. He then worked as a Research Scientist and Senior Research Scientist at the Beijing Institute of Geography, Chinese Academy of Sciences. In 1989 he came to Canada as a Postdoctoral fellow at the University of British Columbia, where he later became a Research Associate. Since 1993 he had been with the Canada Centre for Remote Sensing, Natural Resources Canada in Ottawa, most recently as a Principal Research Scientist. While in Ottawa he was also an Adjunct Professor at the University of Ottawa and York University.

While Dr. Chen’s background is in micrometeorology and satellite meteorology, his current research interests focus on remote sensing, GIS, climate change and ecosystem modelling. He has brought with him three research projects, which are currently underway—“Remote Sensing of Boreal Ecosystem Productivity”, “Inter-annual variability of net primary productivity and carbon budget based on remote sensing”, and “Developing a national upscaling strategy for forest carbon budget using remote sensing, tower flux and inventory data”.

Also arriving with Dr. Chen are two scientists who will be working with him on his research projects—Dr. Jianjun Pan and Mr. Weimin Ju. Dr. Jianjun Pan will be working as a Post-doctoral fellow for the next two years. He is an Associate Professor at Nanjing Agricultural University, Nanjing, P.R. China. Mr. Weimin Ju is a Visiting Scientist for a one-year period. He is a Senior Engineer at the Jiangshu Meteorological Research Institute, Jiangsu, P.R. China.

In May of this year the Canadian Aeronautic and Space Institute gave an Alouette Award to Dr. Chen. The award, which is one of the highest honours given by the Institute, is given to recognize outstanding achievement in various
We wish to welcome Dr. Chen and his family, along with Dr. Pan and Mr. Ju to Toronto and specifically to U of T Geography.

William Scott Prudham joined the department on July 1, 2000 as an Assistant Professor. In the coming year he will be teaching GGR233Y Environmental Management for Sustainable Development, jointly with Miriam Diamond; GGR331H "Environmental Impact Assessment"; and JGE1430H “The Political Economy of Forest Conservation”.

Dr. Prudham received his B.ArtSc. (Hon.) from McMaster University, his M.A. in geography from the University of Victoria and his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley. Energy and Resources Group. He spent last year doing a Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Department of Geography at the University of British Columbia.

Broadly speaking Dr. Prudham’s research interests are nature and social theory, environmental regulation, forest policy and industry regulation, and water quality regulation. His doctoral dissertation research examined historical and contemporary tendencies in Oregon’s forest products industry, emphasizing the interaction of biophysical and social processes in shaping the organization of production, and the political economy of resource access and regeneration. His Postdoctoral research focused on comparisons between the BC forest sector and that of the US Northwest. Specific comparative issues included relations of production in logging and reforestation, the institutional organization of intensive forestry research and development, including commercial forest biotechnology, and the regulation of genetically modified forest trees.

Dr. Prudham seems very happy about his move to Toronto. “I’m really lucky. It’s a great University in a great city. I couldn’t have asked for anything better.”

We wish to welcome Dr. Prudham to the department and U of T.

Message from the Chair

It was with great pleasure that I had a chance to visit with alumni and other friends of the Department at the Putnam Years Reunion in June. So many have gone on to distinguished and productive careers, I am only sorry that I did not have a chance to visit with everyone. Down to Earth, lovingly created by Robert Putnam, B.A. 5T9 and Marie Sanderson, B.A. 4T4 is a fabulous contribution and I again want to thank them both for this great gift. Even more impressive was the generous support by alumni and friends to the Graduate Putnam Scholarship. As always, we are pleased to report in this newsletter a sampling of the accomplishment of our graduates and to thank everyone who has supported the scholarship and grant programs over the last year. I also want to thank UTAGA for its continuing very active involvement with alumni and the department. The Putnam Years Reunion was just one of many events organized. The UTAGA Executive, led by Ken Jones, B.A. 6T9 and Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8 meets regularly and represents alumni interests very effectively.

We welcome to our faculty this year Professors Jing Chen and Scott Prudham and in January, Alana Boland. We have another busy year in the department with three faculty searches in the areas of urban-social geography, soils-geomorphology and GIS and we look forward to the many interesting talks by the job candidates and other invited lecturers. Everyone is welcomed to attend the talks. Please check our department web site for any information regarding our lecture/seminar series, times and locations.

The last few years have been devoted to extensive reviews of the department and its programs. This process will hopefully be completed next year with the OCGS review of all our graduate programs. I am pleased to report that we have received very positive feedback so far. While there still remain challenges related to infrastructure, space, and faculty hiring, we have made some good progress. Everyone is looking forward to an exciting year. If you have the opportunity to visit the campus on U of T Discovery Day, please stop by and visit the Geography Open House (see page 16).

Joe Desloges, Chair, Department of Geography & Program in Planning
Grad Program News

The Masters in Spatial Analysis (MSA) program, which is offered jointly by U of T and Ryerson, received approval from the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies (OCGS) this past spring. First classes for full-time students are to start in September, while the part-time program is to start in September 2001. See ad on page 5 for additional information.

The Master of Urban Design Studies (MUDS) and the Urban Design specialization, M.Sc.Pl. (UD) for the existing Master of Science in Planning degree were both approved by the OCGS this past spring. Several people have enrolled for these programs. See ad on page 7 for additional information.

Academic appointments. The department is delighted to see its recent and completing Ph.D.s receiving academic appointments. John Andrew, Ph.D. 979 has accepted a five-year position at Queen’s University in the Planning School. Igal Charney, Ph.D. candidate has accepted an Assistant Professorship position in the Department of Geography, Haifa University, Israel. Chris DeSousa, Ph.D. 970 will be moving to a tenure-track position in the Department of Geography, University of Wisconsin (Milwaukee). Phil Graniero, Ph.D. candidate started a tenure-track faculty appointment in the Earth Science Department at the University of Windsor, on July 1, 2000. Kevin Hanna, Ph.D. 978 will be moving to a tenure track position at Wilfrid Laurier University in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies.


Grant and Scholarship applications. The department offers several grants to students with financial need. Students wishing to apply for Undergraduate Alpar or Undergraduate McMaster Grants can now do so during the three awarding periods. Application deadlines are: June 1, October 1 and February 1 and should be made to the Chair, Department of Geography. For detailed award descriptions and conditions see the Undergraduate Handbook, www.geog.utoronto.ca, visit the undergraduate counsellor in person or email ali@geog.utoronto.ca.

Name changed. During the past academic year the department changed the name of its Urban and Economic Geography program to “Urban, Economic and Social Geography” to better reflect the current course offerings.

Geography in the Rockies

By Katherine Miller

Daily hiking, looking, learning, measuring, sliding on snowbanks, transversing rocky slopes, asking, observing, calculating, getting to know the subalpine and alpine life zones of the Rockies. These are the ingredients of GGR 490, “Advanced Field Methods”. In August 1999 a group of 16 students and two instructors, Joe Desloges and myself, travelled to Alberta for the two-week adventure.

We were based at the Kananaskis Centre, Barrier Lake Field Station, about an hour’s drive from Calgary. The station provides lab and classroom facilities, computers and a library. Accommodations were basic but comfortable, and there was plenty of good food.

For two very full weeks, we studied patterns and processes in the physical environment, paying special attention to vegetation, soils, geomorphology, hydrology and micro- and mesoclimatic features of the montane, subalpine and alpine zones. The students were enthusiastic and excited by the field work and the mountain landscape. Many said it really brought together much of what they’d been exposed to in classroom-based learning.

Most days required some hiking with fairly heavy packs, up through the altitudinal treeline ecotone, to reach alluvial fans, talus cones, rockfalls, cirque basins and glaciers. In this high and windy environment, students furthered their understanding of field-based techniques begun in GGR 390: surveying, running transects, recording data, and organizing themselves, their observations and their gear. Evenings involved compiling data, computer time, identifying unknown samples from the day, calculations, interpreting field data and producing reports, which were due every few days. All students agreed that it was extremely hard work!

Field exercises were on such topics as products of ice action like Neoglacial moraines, size-frequency relations in mass-wasting features on mountain slopes, treeline ecotone dynamics, estimating snow...
and avalanche frequency using vegetation indicators and dendroecology, and channel form (dimensions and gradient) and sediment delivery in an alpine stream. Students found out ‘hands-on’, that a glacially-derived, i.e. meltwater, stream is powerful and extraordinarily cold, even in August!

All in all, the students’ efforts were rewarded with increased understanding, new skills and new friends. Many showed increased self-confidence, and all expressed a real sense of accomplishment upon completing the course.

Editor’s note: GGR 490H1S is offered in alternate years. It is next scheduled for August 2001. Interested students should contact the department’s undergraduate counsellor, Hala Ali at ali@geog.utoronto.ca for information.

Sid Smith Lab Upgrades
By Byron Moldofsky, B.A. 7T4, Manager, Cartography Lab

Over the summer renovations have been underway to create two new department computer labs for teaching and research on the ground floor of Sidney Smith Hall. There will be a GIS Teaching and Research Lab (Room 620), and Graduate Computer Lab (Room 617). Room 617/617a, which originally housed the University Map Library, but for the last 25 years has been home to the Cartography Office, has been split into two rooms to accommodate the improved lab facilities for students. Cartography will continue to be located in Room 617a, the west half. Electrical and data connections and computer resources have been upgraded as well. Thirty-four new computers have been purchased to enable our facilities to keep up with our changing programs. Students and faculty alike are delighted and eager to put these long-awaited improvements to productive use.

Summer School
By Professor Tony Davis

The University of Toronto’s Summer Session has grown into the largest summer school in North America. Although it is nominally part of Arts and Science, responsibility for its organization and its program rests with Woodsworth College. This arrangement in part reflects the tradition of summer school as a session for part-timers, school teachers, etc. Today’s summer school is quite different. The clientele are predominantly regular U of T students. Some use the session to pick up courses that were unavailable to them in the Fall or Spring terms, but many are there because economic circumstances preclude them from carrying a full load during the regular year.

Geography usually mounts 12 to 14 courses. Most are upper level half courses, although we do make an effort to provide a balance of offerings (level and sub-discipline). Some are ‘extra’ sessions of regularly scheduled courses, while others are only offered in the summer session.

To put these on, we rely on a combination of seasoned ‘regulars’ and a changing suite of talented senior graduate students. For example, Lubomyr Luciuk has taught “Changing Geography of Russia and Ukraine” for 10 years. This year Kirsty Duncan, B.A. 8T9 offered “Medical Geography” for the sixth time, while Joe Leydon, Ph.D. 1995 taught his fifth summer session (this year he offered “Global Political Geography” and “The Geography of Canada”) and Laura Taylor contributed the “Urban Planning Process in Canada” again. Ghazi Falah returned after a few years absence to offer “Geography of the Middle East”. Carlos Teixiera teamed up with Marc Arnold, M.Sc.Pl. 9T5, Ph.D. candidate, Meric Gertler, supervisor to present this year’s introductory course, “Urbanization, Contemporary Cities and Urban Life”. A popular addition this year was “Historical Toronto” by Elizabeth Buchanan.

Two regular and well-attended courses that are also part of our regular school year are “Geographic Information and Mapping” (Rob Penfold, Ph.D. candidate, John Miron, supervisor and Peter Goodyra, B.A. 9T7, current M.A., Carl Amrhein, supervisor) and “Marketing Geography” (Stephen Swales). The former has become increasingly in demand because of the success of our GIS Minor and the growing number of non-geography students who see it as a valuable ‘techniques’ course. Marketing Geography continues to draw well over 200 students. With the two sessions in the regular year, the course attracts over 600 students; our largest enrolment.

As usual, current and recently completed graduate students did the majority of the teaching (John Andrew, M.Sc.Pl. 9T3, Ph.D. 9T9, Marc Arnold, Carolyn Crook, B.A. 9T5, Ph.D. candidate, Virginia Maclaren, supervisor, Chris De Sousa, B.A. 9T4, M.Sc.Pl. 9T6, Ph.D. 0T0, Peter Goodyra, Rob Penfold, Jamie Smith, Ph.D. candidate, Danny Harvey, supervisor). It’s valuable teaching experience (with modest financial reward!) for them. For us they are critical. Without them our summer program would be very thin.

What is ROSI?
By Susan Werden

If you graduated more than two years ago or if you haven’t carefully surfed the University’s website recently, chances are that you don’t know that ROSI stands for “Repository of Student Information” and that this computerized data management system has dramatically changed the way students do business at U of T. Since the 1999-2000 academic year students have been able to use ROSI to enroll for courses by phone, the Internet or at their college registrar. ROSI also allows students to select programs, courses, change address information, check final grades, request graduation and more.

In addition to changing the way students enroll for courses, ROSI also affects how departments deal with enrollment. Through the late 1980s and until ROSI came into effect in 1999, students had to apply for senior level geography courses using a system of ballots. Today balloting has been replaced with a system of “enrollment controls” and

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Message from the Director of Planning

While it may be true that "change is constant", there are clearly times when the pace of change seems to accelerate. For Planning at U of T, the past several months have been such a time. I have written in past messages about the impending developments concerning urban design, and we have spent much of the last year putting the finishing touches to our new programs. I am delighted to report that we received the final approval for these programs in June from the Ontario Council for Graduate Studies, following a two-day site visit by a team of respected experts in the field. As of September 2000, we will be offering two new program options in this area: a new specialization in Urban Design within our existing M.Sc.Pl. program, and a new Master of Urban Design Studies (MUDS). The first option will give students interested in urban design the opportunity to graduate with a CIP-recognized planning degree. The second option will be attractive to those already possessing a degree in a professional or academic discipline who wish to engage in intensive study of urban design. These will be offered alongside a new Master of Urban Design (MUD) in the Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design (FALD), which will accept students who have already completed a professional degree in one of the design disciplines. In each of these programs, our faculty and students will be working collaboratively with their counterparts in FALD to produce a truly interdisciplinary learning experience. Associated with the launching of these new programs will be a series of seminars and workshops throughout the year, featuring practitioners from across Canada and beyond. We are tremendously excited and pleased to be reaching ‘lift-off’ after so many years of planning and hard work.

The year 1999-2000 will also go down as the year of the review for the Planning Program. In addition to the review of the new programs in Urban Design, we have also completed the Periodic Intensive Review by the Ontario Professional Planners Institute on behalf of the Canadian Institute of Planners. This was our first detailed OPPI/CIP review since 1989, and also culminated in a site visit by a panel of distinguished practitioners from Toronto and Winnipeg. The very positive response we received from the visiting panel was truly gratifying – a testament to the quality of our students and program, the hard work of our faculty, past directors and department chairs, and the very substantial commitments of resources and support to the Planning Program made by the University over the past decade. Believe it or not, we are also preparing for yet another review of our M.Sc.Pl. degree by the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies in 2000-2001, when all planning and geography graduate programs in the province will be assessed.

With my term as Director finishing on June 30, 2000, this is my last Director’s Message. I am pleased to be welcoming my successor, Larry Bourne, who will be returning to this post after a two-year break. He inherits a strong and stable program: we have now completed the process of restaffing in the wake of the faculty retirements of the early and mid-1990s; our faculty are highly active in research and professional practice, locally, nationally and globally; we have added exciting new program offerings in urban design; our annual intake is reaching an all-time high of 30 students; our graduates continue to impress us with their achievements and career success, and have come together to form a vibrant and active alumni committee. The future of planning education at U of T has never looked better.

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CRSA Meetings in Toronto

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

The Department of Geography and Program in Planning hosted the 2000 Meetings of the Canadian Regional Science Association (CRSA) from June 2nd to 4th. The Association is dedicated exclusively to regional research in Canada. Members include geographers, planners, economists, political scientists and sociologists from academic, public and private sectors. Its current Secretary/Treasurer Claude François Marchand, Ph.D. 7T9 organized the Meetings. Dr. Marchand also teaches GGR 340S, “Regionalism in Canada” for the department.

The 2000 CRSA Meetings were well attended by 75 members and non-members from throughout Canada, the USA and France. U of T students, faculty and alumni were well represented as attendees as well as presenters and session chairs and organizers. For additional information about the CRSA please contact Claude at marchand@geog.utoronto.ca or 416-978-8467.

The following papers were presented by U of T Geography faculty or students:


Just-in-time transportation risk and spatial agglomeration, Robert Penfold, Ph.D. candidate, John Miron, supervisor.

The role of reservation price in house search, Ka-yan Diana Mok, Ph.D. candidate, John Miron, M.Sc.Pl. 7T2, Ph.D. 7T4, supervisor.

Regional science and the environment: an argument for a political economy approach, Professor Scott Prudham.

Consumers as producers: illustrations from Toronto’s reuse economy, Professor Virginia Maclaren and Christine Ferguson, M.A. 1998.


Environews

By Professor Miriam Diamond

Over 10 years work has proceeded on developing and implementing plans to manage the Great Lakes. As part of these efforts, the Institute for Environmental Studies and the Department of Geography co-hosted the third annual “Lake Ontario Research and Management Workshop” in October 1999. The meeting was sponsored...
by the U.S. EPA-Region 2 and the New York Great Lakes Research Consortium, and also hosted by the Environmental Modelling Centre of Trent University and the Great Lakes Program of the University of Buffalo.

The workshop drew 40 people from the University of Toronto, Trent University, Environment Canada, the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, State University of New York, Clarkson University and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Over 15 presentations during the two-day workshop highlighted research and management activities focussed on Lake Ontario. These activities range from developing whole-lake models and modelling frameworks to collecting and analysing air and water quality data necessary to judge temporal trends and for use as input data to the models. The workshop also heard reports on government efforts to manage toxics through, for example, the Toxics Reduction Plan administered under the Canada-Ontario Agreement of 1994.

Participants reported that emissions of most toxic, priority pollutants are down by 50 to 85% (depending on the chemical) relative to 1988 and that point sources are now minor contributors to the lake’s annual loadings. Since direct discharges to Lake Ontario have decreased, the lake now receives most of its chemical loadings from atmospheric deposition, with evidence pointing to the importance of urban areas such as Toronto and Hamilton as significant contributors. Continuing with good news, contaminant concentrations have decreased in biota and bird populations have recovered from previously high contaminant concentrations. However, new challenges to the system are being posed by increasing populations of zebra mussels and other exotic species. As well, the system is challenged by changes in the regulatory framework, particularly on the Canadian side.

Proceedings from the Third Lake Ontario Research and Management Workshop were compiled for publication by the Great Lakes Program at the State University at Buffalo and are available at a cost of $10.00 US. Contact Monica Moshenko at moshenko@eng.buffalo.edu for further information.

In March 2000 a smaller workshop was held to review our multimedia model, which was developed to estimate the distribution of chemicals emitted from transportation-related activities. Seven people from the Minnesota Department of Transportation, plus three peer experts from the Toronto area heard about the model and then critiqued it. This project is funded through the Center for Transportation Research at the University of Minnesota and involves developing a user-friendly decision tool to assist Minnesota Department of Transport personnel with making decisions concerning the use of chemicals in roadbeds and those emitted from vehicles.

**Historical Atlas of Canada Online Learning Project**

By Byron Moldofsky, B.A. 77, Manager, Cartography Lab

The Historical Atlas of Canada Online Learning Project is a web site which is under development to make much of the data behind the award-winning atlas publications available to students and the public through on-line interactive mapping software. It is based in the Cartography office of the department. Its funding is based on proceeds from the published atlas volumes, and recently the project received approval to continue for the next three years from the V.P. of Research. This is an innovative and forward-looking use of internet-based software which we think has much potential for teaching in the university setting and beyond. Several professors in the department are now looking at the potential for its use in their coursework. The project will be demonstrated at the Geography Open House on October 14th (see page 16 for details) by Mariange Beaudry, project developer. Although still under construction, you may also visit the web site for a taste of historical mapping on the web, at mercator.geog.utoronto.ca.

**Hart House Masters Swim Club**

By Sandra Poaps, B.Sc. 9T6, current M.Sc. student

Enjoy swimming but tired of swimming alone? Come join the Hart House Masters Swim Club. We’re a fun group of non-students and students who swim in Hart House’s fabulous 25-yard pool on Tuesdays and Thursdays (2-3pm) and/or on Saturdays (6:30-8:30pm). Our coach (currently Dan Lee of the Varsity Swim Team) creates an interesting and challenging workout for us each time we meet. The atmosphere is friendly and non-competitive – we even socialize together! We welcome new members and encourage you to come out and join us. You need to be a Hart House member to join the club – students are automatically members and Alumni can easily join (for details contact Hart House at 416-978-2447 or check their web page www.utoronto.ca/harthouse/). Once you’re a Hart House member you may join the club by registering with the Hart House Membership Office. For $50.00/term you may choose to join either the Tuesday/ Thursday swim or the Saturday swim (or better yet, join both!) – alternatively, you can pay by the month ($15.00/month). You don’t need to be a terrific swimmer but you do need to know how to swim and you should be able to swim for about 45 minutes at a moderate pace. For more information check our web page: www.utoronto.ca/masterswin/ or call Ruth at 416-530-4735. If you bring a copy of this notice to any one Saturday workout until December 31, 2000 we’ll let you try us out for free!

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Congratulations to the following graduate students for successfully completing their degree requirements for convocation in January or June 2000. (Note: The * denotes students who completed the Environmental Collaborative Masters degree and in the case of M.Sc.Pl. graduates, the paper cited is their Current Issues Paper.)

Tracy Lynn Antle, M.Sc.* Mass Balance Mapping of the Wapta Icefield from Weather Station Data. S. Munro, Supervisor.


Matthew Karl Haywood, M.A. The Evolution of the Canadian Brewing Industry: A Study of the Renaissance of Craft Brewing in Ontario. A. McQuillan, Supervisor.

Gavin Michael Hilson, M.A.* An Examination of Environmental Performance and Eco-Efficiency in the North American Gold Mining Industry. B. Murek, Supervisor.


Darko Radjevic, M.A. A Psychogeography of Ethnic Conflict in Croatia. C. Houston, Supervisor.


Gavin Simeon Stairs, M.A.* Ecosystem-Based Protected Area Management in a Municipal Landscape: The Case of The Rouge Park. M. Bunce, Supervisor.


Penny Thompson, M.Sc.Pl. Introducing Wind Energy to the City of Toronto: Public Attitudes towards the Siting of Two Turbines on the City Harbourfront. V. Maclaren, Supervisor.


You could help

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

Do you or does your employer hire students or recent university graduates with degrees in geography or planning? Do you or does your employer undertake research that could be conducted by students doing undergraduate or graduate research projects? If you’ve answered yes to either of these questions, read on.

Each year the department is contacted by numerous prospective employers hoping to hire students or recent graduates. When such notices are received they are circulated to graduate students and faculty via email and are posted on a bulletin board outside of the department’s main office. Jobs can be short-term, ranging from a few hours or days, to weeks or months, summer-only, part-time through the school year or full-time, all are appreciated. Many of our alumni have helped to provide employment opportunities.

Alumni also assist the department in another way. Many of our faculty members and their students work with representatives from private firms, government departments and non-government agencies to undertake research for theses or research-based courses. The majority of these “representatives” are alumni. Such research opportunities provide wonderful learning opportunities for our students.

If you or your employer has a job to offer or a research project for consideration, please contact Hala Ali at 416-978-6455 or ali@geog.utoronto.ca for undergraduate students or Marianne Ishibashi at 416-978-3377 or ishi@geog.utoronto.ca for graduate geography or planning students.

Meaningful work and research experience, both paid and unpaid is invaluable to our students and is a wonderful opportunity for alumni to give back to the department. We are grateful to those who have given in this way over the years.
Required Reading

By Tony Volpentesta, B.A. 8T6, M.Sc.Pl. 9T1

Have you ever felt a wellspring of pride for your alma mater? I have recently had such an experience while reading two of the six reports that comprise the Neptis Foundation-funded investigation into growth and change in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), “The GTA Portrait Project: Assembling the Big Picture”. The project was an interdisciplinary undertaking led by Principal Investigator Professor Larry Bourne, with Co-Investigators: Dr. Pamela Blais, M.Sc.Pl. 8T4, Metropole Consultants; Professor Merc Gertler, U of T geography & planning; Professor Eric Miller, U of T civil engineering; Professor Amer Shalaby, Ryerson Polytechnic University, Engineering; Dr. Enid Slack, Enid Slack Consulting Inc.; Professor Rob Wright, U of T landscape architecture; and Mr. Byron Moldofsky, B.A. 7T4, Cartographic Supervisor. Lorne Cappe of City Planning served as project coordinator.

I have just completed reading Professor Larry Bourne’s People and Places: A Portrait of the Evolving Character of the Greater Toronto Area and Professor Robert Wright’s The Evolving Physical Condition of the Greater Toronto Area: Space, Form and Change. As a practicing planner based in Toronto, I think these two reports should be required reading for all planners who have an interest in demography, physiography, urban morphology, and computer cartography, the latter being in prominent display in each report. The department’s Cartography/GIS Lab should be commended in demography, physiography, urban morphology, and computer cartography, the latter being in prominent display in each report. The department’s Cartography/GIS Lab should be commended for its exemplary work. In fact there are many maps in each of the two reports that could initiate intense dialogue and debate about the future of the GTA.

As a final observation, the reports deal with complex themes and ideas and yet are easy to follow and enlightening, which is a compliment to Professors Bourne and Wright.

I look forward to reading the remaining four instalments.

Editor’s Notes:

The remaining four reports in “The GTA Portrait Project” are: Travel in the Greater Toronto Area: Past and Current Behaviour and Relation to Urban Form, by Eric Miller and Amer Shalaby; A Region in Transition: The Changing Structure of the Greater Toronto Area: Space, Form and Change, by Merc Gertler; Municipal Finance and Governance in the Greater Toronto Area: Can the GTA Meet the Challenges of the 21st Century?, by Enid Slack; and Inching Toward Sustainability: The Evolving Urban Structures of the GTA, by Pamela Blais.

Copies of the reports are available at cost from The Neptis Foundation: phone 416-972-9199, fax 416-972-9198, email mshutt@interlog.com.

The GTA Portrait Project will be highlighted at this year’s Geography Open House on October 14th, see page 16 for details.

Planning bites #1

By Professor Emeritus John Dakin

Our handling of physical ecological matters is an example of a value in trouble. There is a huge lag between what planners know and what the public and politicians think they can decide.

Common public knowledge of the existence of ecological theories began only 20 years ago, while scholarly knowledge goes back to von Bertalanffy in the 1920s and Tansley in the 1930s. An old problem: lag in public understanding and action. Result: the value becomes degraded, including in planning thinking and practice.

The ultimate context of this value is ensuring the physical integrity of the world as the habitat of life. By understanding this value, what flows from it for application for various scales, climates, cultures, and social systems has to be clarified, and other values derived.

Can there be any valid reason for planners not holding this as the core value of the discipline?

Editor’s note: Dakin retired as Chairman of the Department of Urban and Regional Planning in 1972. “Planning Bites” is to become a regular feature of GEOPLAN. Comments are welcomed. Please contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20).

Cool Websites for Geographers and Planners

By: Fenton Chin, B.A. 9T4

1. http://www.geoconnections.org. Whenever the prefix “geo-” is mentioned, most people automatically assume only maps and globes. This site is much more. The objectives of GeoConnections are to develop the Canadian Geospatial Data Infrastructure (CGDI), which will coordinate Canada’s numerous databases of geographic information and make them accessible on the Internet; and to enable partnerships among federal, provincial and territorial governments, the private sector and the academic community.


3. http://www.gita.org. G.I.T.A. is an acronym for “Geospatial Information & Technology Association”. As its name implies, this webpage is filled with that type of information, mostly GIS-related.


5. http://www.cutaactu.on.ca. Here is the Canadian Urban Transit Association, a French-English bilingual site devoted to promoting the benefits of public transit.


7. http://www.climcalc.net. Have you always wanted to predict the weather? Download the climate calculator, add a few variables, like the current temperature, humidity, and barometric pressure, and you’ll get a fairly accurate forecast.

8. http://www.ceep.ca. If you predicted that a hurricane may strike, then perhaps a little visit to the Canadian Centre for Emergency Preparedness may do you some good. There are links to other sites here, which provide tips on how to prepare for, and handle natural disasters.

Reconnecting

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

Lost touch with a former classmate? Interested in finding that long-lost friend? We might be able to help. Each year UTAGA receives requests from alumni looking to locate former classmates or faculty members. If we have the address of the person we will contact him/her on your behalf. If you’re interested in using this service, please don’t hesitate to contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20), we’ll do our best to help.
Putnam Years Reunion

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

The Putnam Years Reunion, held on June 17, 2000, in Alumni Hall, Victoria College, was a wonderful opportunity for alumni to meet acquaintances and renew friendships while at the same time celebrate the launch of *Down to Earth: A Biography of Geographer Donald Fulton Putnam* and the creation of the Donald F. Putnam Graduate Scholarship.

Over 100 alumni and friends attended the special event and were treated to a delicious lunch, an entertaining presentation by Professor Cecil Houston and of course the opportunity to be the first to receive copies of *Down to Earth*. By all accounts, everyone had a wonderful time! The photos on these pages best tell the story.

Editor’s Note:
For additional information see *Putnam biography launched* page 1. Use page 19 to order your own copy of *Down to Earth*.

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Note: Names for all photos are listed left to right. Maiden names are in brackets.

Above: Howard Patterson, B.A. 5T0, Howie Lochhead, B.A. 5T0 and Herb Smith, B.A. 5T0, M.A. 6T3.

Right top: Cecil Houston, B.A. 6T7, M.A. 6T9, Ph.D. 7T5.


Right bottom: John Warkentin, M.A. 5T4, Ph.D. 6T1, Professor Emeritus Jacob Spelt, Nadine Deacon, M.A. 4T1, Don Kerr, M.A. 4T3, Ph.D. 5T0, Bill Dean, B.A. 4T9, M.A. 5T0, LLD 9T7.
Planning Spring Social continues to grow

By Antony Lorius, Hon. B.A. 9T6, M.Sc.Pl. 9T8

The fourth annual Friends of Planning Spring Social was held on April 27, 2000, at Hart House. Over 120 faculty, alumni and practitioners from the planning community attended the event. The evening was highlighted by a stimulating presentation on new opportunities for planning public space by Lisa Rochon, M.A. 9T8, architecture and urban design critic for The Globe and Mail.

The spring cocktail party is now certainly one of the key networking events for the planning community. This year, it was well-attended by prominent professionals in the planning, legal, and real estate development industries, as well as by a record number of alumni and academics. The socializing extended well into the evening as guests exchanged gossip, nibbled on canapés and enjoyed a few drinks.

The event would not have been possible without the efforts of volunteers and the donations of many thoughtful individuals. Special thanks go to our corporate donors - Bousfield, Dale-Harris, Cutter & Smith Inc., Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP, DS-Lea Associates Ltd., Fasken Martineau DuMoulin, Fraser Milner Casgrain, Hemson Consulting Ltd., InterBase Consultants Ltd. (IBI Group), MacNaughton Hermson Britton Clarkson Planning Ltd., PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Spears & Associates Ltd., Urban Intelligence Inc., Urban Strategies Inc., Walker Nott Dragicevic Associates and Zawadzki Armin Stevens Architects Inc.

The Planning Alumni Committee is looking forward to building on the success of the Spring Social over the past four years. We hope that our many friends of planning and corporate sponsors will continue to mark this event in their calendars.

Editor’s note: PAC will soon begin planning for the 2001 event. If you are interested in assisting in any way, please contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20).

Note: Names for all photos are listed left to right.

Bottom left: Lisa Rochon, M.A. 9T8.
Books, books, books...

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

It seems the year 2000 has been a banner year for the launch of books by our alumni and future alumni. In addition to our own Putnam biography (see page 1), we are pleased to report on books by Mark Fram, Danny Harvey, Willie Jenkins, Robert Lewis and Damaris Rose.

Editor’s Note: This article is not intended to be a complete listing of recent books published by our alumni; undoubtedly there are others about which we are not aware. Alumni who have books published are encouraged to contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20) with the information—we’ll be happy to share it here in GEOPLAN.

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From the cover of East/West: “Published in association with the 25th annual conference of the Society for the Study of Architecture in Canada, this book is a guided tour of old stories and fresh perspectives on the architecture and planning of housing and urban development in central Toronto — including both success stories and perennial problems. Specially prepared maps, over 120 photos, and scores of essays cover more than a hundred sites, neighbourhoods and current issues.”

Mark Fram, M.A. 8T2, Ph.D. candidate, Gunter Gad, supervisor also received his B.Arch from U of T in 1974. He worked as a downtown planner for the City of Toronto, 1973-77 and a “heritage planner” for the Province of Ontario, 1977-87. Since then he has been an independent planning consultant and a sessional instructor at the Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design. He also has a few other publications to his credit, most conspicuous of which is Well-Preserved, Boston Mills Press, 1988 & 1992, French version 1993.

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Both books deal with the physical science underlying the global warming issue, with some material on the driving factors and on the policy-science interface. The first book is an introductory, undergraduate-level text, while the second is a graduate-level text. Both contain substantial amounts of new material and analysis.

Danny Harvey, M.Sc. 8T0, Ph.D. 8T6 is a Professor of geography at the University of Toronto who specializes in climate modeling, greenhouse gas emissions and energy policy issues.

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As reported in The Nationalist, February 5, 2000, 650 gathered “for a Tipperary Co-op Millennium Celebration and to launch an important new book on the history of the co-op since it was founded in 1908.” Tipperary Co-op Society chairman, Sean Murray commented, “Mr. Jenkins’s book vividly records the advance from farmhouse butter production to the establishment of the new co-op….It is a most interesting book…well researched and illustrated with an excellent collection of photographs.”

William Jenkins, Ph.D. candidate, Aidan McQuillan, supervisor did his B.A. and M.A. degrees at University College Dublin, Ireland. The idea for the book came out of research he did for his Masters and most of the research was completed before he arrived in Canada in 1996.

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From the cover: “In Manufacturing Montreál Robert Lewis provides a detailed historical geographic account of a major North American city’s industrial landscape from the beginnings of industrialization to the Great Depression. Challenging the traditional view that urban expansion due to industrial decentralization is a twentieth-century phenomenon, Lewis demonstrates that the process of industrial decentralization has been ongoing since the 1850s.”

Robert Lewis, B.A. 1983 is an Associate Professor with the Department of Geography & Program in Planning, University of Toronto. He has been with the department since 1995. His Ph.D. is from McGill.

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From the preface for Montréal: “There is a certain quality about Montréal’s physical, social and cultural features that frequently prompts visitors to comment that the city has both European and North American qualities. How is it that Montréal has sustained this dual identity in the face of the homogenizing forces of Americanization and globalization? Intuitively one might think that the answer lies simply in the presence of the French language and culture on a predominantly English-speaking continent. In fact, however, its urban fabric is a product of a much more complex set of historical influences and contemporary attempts to redefine its position in the world.”

Damaris Rose, M.A. 7T8 lives in Montréal where she is an Associate Professor at the Institut national de la recherche scientifique, INRS-Urbanisation, a research and graduate teaching centre in applied urban studies, affiliated to the University of Québec.
Obituary
William Baker

William Baker, who died of cancer on August 21, 2000, in Toronto, belonged to that group of enthusiastic geography graduates of the 1940s and 1950s — when university geography was relatively new in Canada — who intended to create a better world, and did. Many went into teaching in a time when the subject was burgeoning, others into government service or into geographical consulting. Bill was of the last group.

Born in Toronto in 1922, Bill worked in a bank after he finished high school. World War II changed the course of his life. He served as an Able Seaman in the Royal Canadian Navy in corvettes, frigates, and even a minesweeper, mainly in the North Atlantic. Then under the educational provisions for war veterans he did a brilliant B.A. Hons. 4T9, in geography. This was in the days of Professor Griffith Taylor, and Bill liked to recall that though Professor Taylor addressed all undergraduates formally as Mr. or Miss, on the day Bill got his B.A. he became Baker — he had proven himself as a peer. Bill went on to a geography M.A., with a Mark of Distinction, from the London School of Economics in 1953. He contemplated going into academic work, but was led into consulting by its scope for independence and initiative and his concern for policy and directly improving the well being of people. Bill worked internationally for Canadian surveys and planning companies, and then in the late 1950s began to establish his reputation as Canada’s leading independent parks and recreation consultant, working with the federal and provincial governments, and occasionally with international planning consortiums. Bill ran a two-person office (his associate was his wife, Anne) from his home. All major regions of this country benefited from his recommendations.

Initially influenced by Professors Putnam and Tatham, Bill remained a keen student both of geographical methodology and the history of geography, with a particular scholarly interest in regional classification systems. Incisive in thinking and comprehensive in approach, he could be devastating in his critiques. Bill intended to publish his ideas but he never fully retired from applied geography, and demands on him steadily widened. He was associated with Atmospheric Environmental Service on climate matters, and was highly active in conservation work, serving for many years as a director of the Bruce Trail Association and the Coalition on the Niagara Escarpment. He was chairman of the Coalition for three years, and during his tenure it received the Lieutenant-Governor’s Conservation Award. He was a valued member of the UTAGA-sponsored History of the Department of Geography Committee, where he was particularly knowledgeable on the U of T geographers who had worked in public service.

Clearheaded, good at identifying the essential core of an issue, intellectually demanding, energetic and blunt, Bill could disturb people with his forcefulness until they got to know him, and realized this no-nonsense directness was all in the urgent interest of solving problems for the general public good. In the widest sense Bill Baker was an educator. He identified himself as a geographer, and throughout his career as he worked professionally with non-geographers — senior civil servants, politicians, and earth and social scientists — he always carefully explained the comprehensive geographical approach to analyzing resource problems and recommending and evaluating policy. His wife predeceased him in 1980. Their son Mark is a U of T geography graduate, B.A.(Hons.) 8T6.

Prepared by John Warkentin, M.A. 5T4, Ph.D. 6T1.
UTAGA Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting for the University of Toronto Association of Geography Alumni (UTAGA) has been scheduled for Wednesday October 25, 2000, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the association’s activities of the past year and to discuss plans for the coming year. All geography and planning alumni are welcome to attend. A free pizza supper will be provided. Please contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20) by October 18th if you wish to attend and you will be sent an agenda package.

Awards Night

UTAGA and the department will co-host the “Sixth Annual Awards Presentation and Graduation Reception for the Department of Geography and Program in Planning” on Friday, November 10, 2000, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Old Vic, Victoria College. The purpose of the event is to honour the department’s graduating class and to present various scholarships and awards to students and alumni.

Among the numerous awards presented by UTAGA, two deserve special mention: the UTAGA Distinguished Alumnus/Alumna and the UTAGA Honorary President Awards. The Distinguished Alumnus award is given to an alumnus/alumna of the department who has made a significant contribution to the discipline of geography. In 2000, this award will be given to Professor Emeritus William Dean, B.A. 4T9, M.A. 5T0, LLD 9T7. The Honorary President award is given to an individual who has made exceptional contributions to the development of the department, its programs and its alumni. This year the award will be given to Professor Larry Bourne.

UTAGA News

Graduates and award winners will be mailed invitations. Anyone else wishing to attend this event may do so provided they RSVP Donna Jeynes at 416-978-3375 or jeynes@geog.utoronto.ca by November 7, 2000.

GIS Workshops

UTAGA continues to offer Introductory Geographical Information Systems (GIS) Workshops and for the first time is offering an Advanced GIS Workshop as a continuation to the Introductory Workshop.

The purpose of the Introductory Workshops is to provide the uninitiated with an opportunity to be introduced to the basic principles of GIS and to gain some experience using the MapInfo software. Previous experience in GIS or MapInfo is not required. The Advanced Workshop will build upon the experience of the Introductory Workshop to give participants more hands-on experience with the technology.

Workshops are kept small with a maximum of 12 registrants per session. A significant portion of the time is used for hands-on practice.

The Introductory Workshop will run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on October 21, while the Advanced Workshop will be held on November 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.. All workshops are tentatively scheduled, subject to sufficient registration. Additional dates can be added if sufficient demand exists.

Registration fees for the Introductory Workshops are $75 for alumni without corporate funding and $100 for alumni with corporate funding or non-alumni, while registration fees for the Advanced Workshop are $125 for alumni without corporate support and $150 for alumni with corporate funding or non-alumni. Lunch, light refreshments and course handouts are included. Advance registration is required. Please contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20) to obtain a registration form.

Geography Open House

Saturday October 14, 2000, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. UTAGA and the Department will co-host The Geography Open House at U of T Discovery Day. It’s an event designed to provide prospective students, alumni and the community an opportunity to explore the campus and discover (or rediscover) all that U of T has to offer. Throughout the campus various colleges, faculties and departments will be hosting a wide-range of activities for all to enjoy.

The Geography Open House will be located in the Physical Geography Building, 45 St. George Street. The event will feature numerous hands-on displays and demonstrations that highlight the diverse nature of the discipline and the department at U of T. Come and participate in the “Get Mapped” project, see the Historical Atlas Online Learning Project in action, try out computers for geographic information systems (GIS), remote sensing or satellite imagery, see flume demonstrations, learn about the GTA Portrait Project and other research conducted by the department’s graduate students and faculty, and enter the GeoQuest contest.

For further information about U of T Discovery Day contact 416-978-8638 or for the Geography Open House contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20).

Helping you stay in touch

In an effort to help our alumni stay in touch with one another, UTAGA has been collecting email addresses from our alumni and friends for publication in GEOPLAN and on our homepage www.geog.utoronto.ca/webutaga/. The initiative has been very well received and we are pleased with the number of contacts with alumni we have been able to make. To date we have received over 250 email addresses for publication in GEOPLAN and/or on the UTAGA Homepage. While this represents only a small fraction of our alumni, we are confident that over time the numbers will continue to grow.

Unfortunately, due to space limitations we are no longer able to print email addresses for all alumni who have requested inclusion in the GEOPLAN listing. Instead we have adopted the following policy:

An email address will be included in the GEOPLAN listing, if:

i) it has not appeared in GEOPLAN before;
ii) a change has been made to the address since it was last published in GEOPLAN;
or if
iii) the owner of the address does NOT want the address published on the UTAGA Homepage.

If you would like to have your email address published or updated on either of these lists, please contact utaga@geog.utoronto.ca and indicate on which list you would like to have your address appear. If you have any comments or suggestions about our new email listing procedures please contact me through the UTAGA Office (see page 20). Note: maiden names are in italics

Susan Werden,
GEOPLAN Editor

See Alumni email listings page 17.
Missing Alumni: Installment #3

Thanks to those of you who took the time to review the list of “missing alumni” in the last issue of GEOPLAN. We did manage to find at least a dozen people and are very grateful to have been able to do so.

The following list contains the names of some of the people for whom we no longer have valid addresses. Please review it and let us know if you can help us locate any of these “missing alumni”. Please contact the UTAGA Office, see page 20 with any information. Note: maiden names are in bold italics.

Hunady, Marianna, Hon. B.A. 1997s
Hurley, John J., B.A. 1976
Hutton, Linda Doreen, Hon. B.Sc. 9T5
Ing, Rose, B.Sc. 1980
Ip, Kenneth K., B.A. 1994
Irvin, Meddy, B.A. 1986
Irvin, Robert C., B.Sc. 1983
Jackson, Hay Marlene F., B.A. 1972
Jammisson, Robert B., B.Sc. 1993
Janczyk, Terry E., B.A. 1985
Jarvis, Guy P., B.A. 1984
Jaschke, George M.W., B.A. 1960
Jeffrey, Frank L., B.A. 1986
Jensen, Lewis Julie D., B.Sc. 1982
Jerome, Helen, B.Sc. 1994
Jeu, David L., B.A. 1983
Jhiaji, Vinna, Ph.D. 1996
Jiang, Haiming Michael, B.A. 1996f
Jeu, David L., B.A. 1983
Ji, Ina, B.A. 1985
Johnson, Taylor, B.A. 1977a
Johnston, Kirk D., B.Sc. 1979
Johnston, David J., M.Sc.Pl. 1971
Jones, Karen V., M.Sc.Pl. 1972
Jones, Simon R., M.A. 1986
Kalimuddin, Syed, DTRP 1969
Kalnik, Bonita, B.A. 1985
Kalnik, Brenda, B.A. 1985
Kam, Kit Ling Katherine, B.A. 1998s
Kaposi, Bela, DTRP 1967
Kapossi, Bela, DTRP 1962
Karanay, Paleologos, Elizabeth, B.A. 1982
Kavanagh, Al, B.A. 1985
Ke, Marian Yi Ting, Hon. B.A. 1993
Kelley, Peter D., B.A. 1979
Kellogg, James N., M.A. 1976
Kelly, Francis A., B.A. 1979
Kelly, Kenneth, Ph.D. 1968
Kennedy, Robert A., B.Sc. 1987
Kennedy, Kelvin, B.A. 1985
Kennedy, Mervyn, B.A. 1985
Kennedy, John S., B.A. 1985
Kenny, Lynn A., B.A. 1978
Kenney, David G., B.A. 1978
Kerr, Teresa M., B.A. 1986
Khan, Mohammed A., M.Sc.Pl. 1975
King, Andrew A., M.A. 1986
Kinley, Janet A.R., M.A. 1979
Kirby, Elizabeth A., B.A. 1975
Kirk, Joseph Edward, B.A. 1996
Kirolos, Hany, B.A. 1982
Klein, Sandra K., B.Sc. 1993
Knaack, Peter, B.A. 1986
Knappe, Charles F., M.A. 1974
Knoet, Joseph D.W., B.A. 1973
Knox, Elizabeth A., B.A. 1984
Ko, Sz Nga, Hon. B.Sc. 1997s
Koene, JoJ., B.A. 1991
Koh, Peng Huat, B.Sc. 1997s
Kohras, Dimitris, M.Sc.Pl. 1985
Konrad, Erica H., B.A. 1994
Koo, Clare, B.A. 1986
Kortmann, Jason Jurgen, B.Sc. 1996s
Kotarac, Mira M., B.A. 1988
Krajc, Michelle A., B.A. 1990
Krajicek, Irene, M.Sc.Pl. 1991
Kristof, Milan Roman, M.Sc.Pl. 1978
Kroeger, Angelika V., M.Sc.Pl. 1979
Ku, Bosco Chi Kong, Hon. B.A. 1997
Kubasewski, Maciej, B.A. 1995
Kucerak, Mary Jean, B.A. 1979
Kuczynski, Roman, M.A. 1995
Kwok, Ka Yim Bonnie, B.A. 1985
Kwong, Kevin, B.A. 1992
Lagouregue, Guillaume, B.A. 1994
Lai, Kar Yin Kathleen, B.A. 1994
Laikin, Richard E., M.A. 1986
Lam, Weng I. Janvier, B.A. 1988
Lamontagne, Francois, M.A. 1987
Larke, John R., DTRP 1957
Larocque, Alex J., B.A. 1948
Lee, Enid Yi-Chen, B.A. 1999
Lee, Tee Mui, B.A. 1977
Lee, Su-Yu Yuki, B.A. 1995
Lee, Kai Cheung David, B.A. 1997
Lee, Elaine, B.A. 1991
Lee, Lok Sze, B.A. 1997s
Lee, John, B.A. 1979
Leech, Andrew S., B.Sc. 1977
Lei, Qian, M.Sc.Pl. 1993
Leung, Amanda Seung, B.A. 1985
Leung, Chung Lan, B.A. 1994
Lewis, Bronwen, M.A. 1983
Li, Magdalena K.T.L., B.A. 1984
Libawski, Derrik, B.A. 1983
Lickiss, Rachel M., M.A. 1984
Lim, Poia Kiang Alihe, B.A. 1988
Lim, See L., B.A. 1990
Lin, On Ki, B.Sc. 1995
Lister, Ruth A., M.A. 1966
Lloyd, Richard B., B.Sc. 1983
Lo, Wing Cheung Isabel, B.Sc. 1996
Loesel, Sonja E., Hon. B.Sc. 1998
Loh, Kim Pooi, B.A. 1980
Lombard, Milton, DTRP 1962
Long, Johannes C., B.A. 1973
Long, Susan C., B.A. 1983
Loo, Raimo O., B.A. 1991
Low, Robert T., B.Sc. 1974
Lowe, Jeffrey A., B.A. 1982
Lowther, Patricia L., B.Sc. 1975
Luchetti, John A., B.A. 1988
Luna, Jessie V., B.Sc. 1988
Lundy, Laurie L., B.A. 1992
Luther, Wendy Barbara, M.A.* 1996
Lynam, Joanne M., M.Sc.Pl. 1980
Lyon, David, B.A. 1979
Lysenko, George, M.A. 1979
Ma, Rai San, B.A. 1987
Ma, S.Y. Shirley, M.Sc.Pl. 1976
MacDermid, Janet E., B.Sc. 1974
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We continue to seek financial support from our alumni and friends for a variety of initiatives aimed at improving conditions for students in our programs and are grateful to all those who have already given so generously this year.

A listing of our funds with descriptions is found in the box on this page. New to the listing are the Undergraduate and Graduate Alpar Grants. These new awards were created with the funds collected through the OSOTF program (see "OSOTF Awards" below) and have been separated from the Alpar Scholarship in order to allow the scholarship to be given to any worthy student, regardless of their status under OSOTF.

The University has decided to continue 1:1 matching for "doctoral-stream" programs. Donations can be made in 2000 and pledges for 2001 and 2002. Payouts on donations will be matched and therefore the value of your gift to these funds will be doubled. Please see the side box for the eligible list of funds.

Alumni and friends of U of T Geography and Planning can and do provide their assistance to the department in many intangible and valuable ways, which are greatly appreciated. But, when considering your charitable donations this year, please consider our initiatives and give what you can.

Donations can be made using the form found on page 19.

OSOTF Awards

OSOTF awards were established using funds from the Ontario Student Opportunities Trust Fund (OSOTF), the matching program under which both the University and the Province matched every dollar of donation received for student assistance. Under the program pledges had to be received by March 31, 1997 and payments by March 31, 1999. There are two major conditions for all OSOTF awards: recipients must be residents of Ontario and must demonstrate financial need, according to the provincial guidelines. For the purpose of OSOTF awards, an Ontario resident is either a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada who has an Ontario mailing address at the time the award is made.

Geography & Planning Charitable Funds

The Alpar Grants (Undergraduate & Graduate)

Established in honour of the late Zehra Alpar, the Department’s student advisor from the 1960s to her retirement in 1994. These awards are presented to outstanding students with financial need who have made significant progress in completing their degrees.

The Alpar Scholarship (Undergraduate & Graduate)

Established in honour of the late Zehra Alpar, these awards are presented to outstanding students who have made significant progress in completing their degrees.

The Joseph A. May Scholarship

Created in honour of the late Professor Joe May, this award is given to an outstanding graduate student who has approached the study of one or more of the following fields from a qualitative rather than quantitative perspective: history and philosophy of geographic thought, historical geography, social and cultural geography and the geography of Canada.

The GGAPSS Bursary

The Graduate Geography and Planning Student Society (GGAPSS) created this bursary in 1997. It is intended to help graduate students through financial troubles that arise during the school year.

The Anne McMaster Grants (Undergraduate and Graduate)

Established in honour of Anne McMaster in 1994 on her retirement after 27 years of outstanding service to the department, as business officer, these grants are to help students in financial need to defray costs of fieldwork, the acquisition of data for research, and the expense of professional-experience courses.

The Donald F. Putnam Graduate Scholarship

Created in honour of the late Professor Donald F. Putnam, this scholarship will be awarded annually to graduate students, concentrating in physical and environmental geography, with outstanding achievements entering or continuing in a research-oriented degree program.

The Alan Tonks Planning Scholarships

Established in honour of Alan Tonks, upon his retirement as Chairman of Metropolitan Toronto, these scholarships are awarded to up to four students entering the second year of the Planning Program. Awards are made on the basis of academic merit to students concentrating their studies in the areas of urban planning, urban transportation and urban infrastructure. Under exceptional circumstances, an award may be made to an incoming first year student. Financial need may also be considered.

The Peter R. Walker Planning Scholarship

Created through the efforts of the Planning Alumni Committee of UTAGA and named in honour of Peter R. Walker in recognition of his generous financial contribution to the funding of this award, this award is granted to one or more exceptional students upon entering the second year of the M.Sc.Pl. program. Recipients are individuals with financial need who have made significant contributions to planning practice through applied work and thus exemplify the best qualities of an “all-round planner”.

The Friends of Geography Fund

This fund has played a key role in several areas of student and alumni support including infrastructure upgrades to electronic classrooms and renovations to graduate study and office space. The flexibility of the fund has meant it can be used to attract significant additional resources from both inside and outside the university. It has also been used to fund a variety of alumni activities including UTAGA’s student and alumni awards, Spring Reunion and the production of this newsletter.

The Friends of Planning Fund

Created in recognition of the distinct needs of students enrolled in the Planning Program, this fund will be used to improve the quality of life in the department for planning students, to foster liaison and good relations between the program and the Ontario Professional Planners Institute, as well as between the program and its alumni.

1Award is available to graduate geography and planning students
2“OSOTF” Awards
3Payout on donations may be matched by the University
4Payout on donations will be matched by the University
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Alumni and Friends: Outreach and Appeal Fall 2000

☐ Please send a free copy of Down to Earth: A Biography of Geographer Donald Fulton Putnam, to the address below (see Putnam biography launched, page 1).

Donations/Pledges

☐ I would like to make a donation/pledge to support Geography/Planning initiatives. I wish to contribute the following amount(s), to the accounts chosen, for the year(s) indicated, using the payment method selected. Note: As stated in the article on page 18, payouts from contributions to doctoral stream endowed graduate scholarships and grants (those footnoted 3 or 4) may or will be doubled in the new 1:1 matching program (see box on page 18 for footnotes). To be eligible for the matching program, donations must be paid in full by December 31, 2002.

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Please return completed forms to: Department of Geography, University of Toronto, 5th floor, 100 St. George Street, Toronto, ON, MSS 3G3 or fax to 416-946-3886. For further information about donation options please contact Monica Lin at 416-946-5616. Thank you!

A charitable receipt for income tax purposes will be issued by the University for all donations.

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Moose in Toronto
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In time for Spring Reunion in June, U of T joined Toronto’s city-wide moose craze by installing it’s own moose, “Moose-shall McLuhan” on the lawn south of the Students’ Administrative Council buildings. Named in honour of one of U of T’s most famous faculty members, Marshall McLuhan, the moose was one of 325 placed throughout Toronto, mostly in the downtown core, as part of Toronto’s millennium celebrations.

Each life-sized moose sculpture was designed by a local artist and sponsored by a “moose patron”. Designs are unique. Some of my favourites include the Mountie-Moose at the CN Tower, the Olympic Moose which is mounted on a diving board overlooking the fountain pool at Toronto City Hall, Mel and Marilyn Moose at Old City Hall and of course our own “Moose-shall”.

Moose-shall was designed by Etobicoke artist Greg Elliot. It’s done in U of T colours, white with blue paint and is very geographical—Moose-shall is covered in a thematic map of the Greater Toronto Area!

The original plan was to have the moose exhibition to run until the end of Thanksgiving weekend, however at press time Mayor Mel Lastman had indicated that some of the moose might be kept on the streets through the festive season to help decorate the city. On January 29, 2001, a “Moose in the City Auction” will be held in conjunction with the Mayor’s Arts Ball. At that time corporate sponsors will be given the opportunity to auction their moose—with proceeds going towards Olympic athletes and other local charities. For additional information, or if you can’t get to the city in person, visit the city’s website www.city.toronto.on.ca. For information about U of T’s moose contact Karina Dahlin at 416-978-2988.

Top: U of T’s own “Moose-shall McLuhan” on the lawn south of the SAC building.
Bottom: The Mountie moose at the base of the CN Tower.