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Reasons to celebrate

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

The year 2000 has turned into a year to celebrate. Throughout Toronto, Canada and indeed the world people are celebrating the start of the new millennium in a multitude of ways. The University of Toronto Association of Geography Alumni (UTAGA) and the University of Toronto Department of Geography & Program in Planning are no different. To mark the occasion of the new millennium, UTAGA and the department have undertaken a special project to honour one of the most beloved faculty members, in the history of the department, Donald Putnam, while at the same time providing a gift for alumni and friends and creating a scholarship for future geographers.

Professor Putnam joined the department in 1938, served as its Head from 1953 to 1963 and was one of the 10 original faculty members who undertook the planning and development of Erindale College. He died on February 23, 1977.

On Saturday, June 17, 2000, UTAGA and the department of Geography will be co-hosting a "Putnam Years Reunion" to celebrate the release of *Down to Earth: A Biography of Donald Fulton Putnam* by Robert G. Putnam, B.A. 5T9 and Marie Sanderson, B.A. 4T4. While alumni and friends from the "Putnam Years" (1940s, 50s, 60s and early 70s) will be sent special invitations, all alumni and friends of the department are welcome to attend. The special event will take place in Alumni Hall, Victoria College from noon to 2 p.m. and will include a luncheon, a presentation by Professor Cecil Houston, B.A. 6T7, M.A. 6T9 and Ph.D. 7T5, and ample opportunity for guests to mingle and renew old acquaintances.

In an effort to assist future generations of geographers to do the kind of research that was so dear to Professor Putnam, UTAGA and the department have decided to use "The Putnam Years Reunion" to help launch a new 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. Donations or pledges to this scholarship, which are made by June 30, 2000 will be matched by the University, effectively doubling their impact. See "How to help" on page 18 for further details.

In lieu of charging an admission fee to the reunion, a donation to the Donald F. Putnam Graduate Scholarship is requested. We suggest a minimum donation of \$50, but whatever amount guests wish to give will be most welcome. These donations will be 100 percent eligible for tax receipts. Gifts will be accepted at the door or can be made in advance using the form on page 19. **Space for the reunion is limited.** If you wish to attend you MUST RSVP UTAGA by mail using the form on page 19, by email at utaga@geog.utoronto.ca, by fax at 416-946-3886 or by phone at 416-978-3375 by June 9, 2000.

Undertaken as a 'brainchild' of UTAGA's History of the Department Sub-committee, the completion of *Down to Earth* marks the end of a two-year labour of love by Robert Putnam and Marie Sanderson. The book chronicles the life of Donald Putnam,

from his early years through his association with the Department of Geography at the University of Toronto—an association that spanned more than three decades. According to Dick Baine, Past-President of UTAGA, "The book was written to commemorate the life of an individual who not only had a tremendous impact on the department at U of T, but also on the development of the discipline throughout Ontario and indeed Canada. Robert and Marie have managed to capture in print the essence of the man who many of us fondly remember as 'Putty' and they have done so in a fun and highly enjoyable way. It's a good read." The book includes a great number of recollections from alumni and friends of Dr. Putnam as well as a wide variety of photographs.

Robert and Marie have donated the book to UTAGA and the department and in return, UTAGA and the department have published it and will make it available "free of charge" to alumni and friends who request it. "We feel that such a gift to our alumni is very appropriate," says Ken Jones, UTAGA President. "Over the years alumni and friends have given very generously to support departmental scholarships, bursaries and development funds. This book is a small gift back, a token of our appreciation. What better way to mark the start of a new millennium than by taking a look back at the life of someone who made such a profound impact on our discipline. We hope that you will enjoy the book and if possible will be able to attend the Putnam Years Reunion."

The first copies of *Down to Earth: A Biography of Donald Fulton Putnam* will be distributed at the Putnam Years Reunion, June 17, 2000. Those not attending the reunion who wish to obtain a copy of the book may do so by using the form on page 19 or by contacting the UTAGA Office (see page 20).

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Department News

Announcements

Congratulations to **Professor Michael Bunce** on becoming a first-time grandfather. His daughter Susannah had a baby boy, Jacob on November 17, 1999.

The department recently published a brochure, “**Careers: What can you do with a degree in geography?**” It was written to help students discover the many career paths open to geographers. Contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20) for copies.

Professor Rodolphe el-Khoury (Associate Professor, Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design; and Director of the Graduate Program in Urban Design), has been cross-appointed to the Graduate Faculty in Planning. Rodolphe will be playing a major role in the new Master of Urban Design Studies program.

Professor Kim England (now of the University of Washington, see “Departures”), has been appointed as an Adjunct Associate Professor (status only) in the department for a three-year term.

Mr. David Etkin, of AIRG-IES at U of T, has been appointed to our Graduate Faculty in Geography to assist in the supervision of masters students in the environmental field, for a fixed term.

Dr. Jack Layton has been granted the status of Adjunct Assistant professor (status-only) in Geography and Planning, for a fixed term of one-year renewable.

Professor Blake Poland (Ph.D. Geography, McMaster; Assistant professor, Dept. of Public Health Sciences, Faculty of Medicine, U of T), has been cross-appointed to the Department of Geography, initially for a one-year term, renewable.

Professor Arie Shachar (Director of the Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies at Hebrew University, Jerusalem, and the holder of many other positions), and one of Israel’s most prominent geographers, has been nominated for the honorary position of Distinguished Adjunct Professor in Geography at U of T.

We wish to thank the following individuals for serving as **Sessional Instructors** in the department over the past academic year (1999-2000):

Mr. Mitchell Goldhar, PLA 1651S
Mr. Chuck Hostovsky, GGR 400S
Mr. Steven Rowe, JPG 1413F
Ms. Enid Slack, PLA 1751H
Professor Kirsty Duncan, GGR 450F
Mr. John Farrow, PLA 1551S
Professor Stephen Swales, GGR 252S
Mr. Peter Van Loan, PLA 1505F
Dr. Larry McKeown, GGR 431F
Mr. Ricardo Gomez-Insausti, GGR 270Y
Ms. Katherine Miller, GGR 305F
Professor Claude Marchand, GGR 340S

Arrivals

Elizabeth Macdonald joined the department on July 1, 1999 as an Assistant Professor. She has a B.A. in architecture, a Master of City Planning (MCP), a Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) and a Ph.D. in urban design, Department of City and Regional Planning, all from the University of California at Berkeley. Her recent research has focused on street design. She has also been involved in an extensive research project that investigated the safety and modern-day usefulness of a street type called the Multiple Roadway Boulevard. She currently has a SSHRC Assistance for New Researchers Grant for a study entitled “Introducing Complexity: The Physical Transformation Potential of Toronto’s Second Ring Suburbs.” The study seeks to examine the potential to physically transform Toronto’s second ring suburbs into a more sustainable and better performing urban form with an emphasis on the role arterial street re-design might play in such a process. She is also continuing her on-going research on the physical design qualities of small public spaces.

“I’m very much enjoying getting to know Toronto. The fine-grained scale of the inner city makes it a fascinating city to explore. Coming from California, the winter is a bit hard to get used to—I feel as though I’m experiencing the first winter of my entire life. However, one of the best things I’ve found here is the quality of the graduate students—equal to the best anywhere, I’m sure.”

Kanishka Goonewardena joined the department on July 1, 1999 as an Assistant Professor. He has a B.Sc. in architecture from the University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka, a Master in Planning (M.Pl.) specializing in urban planning (urban design and critical theory focus) from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles and a Ph.D. in planning, with minors in ‘political thought and social theory’ and ‘German intellectual history’, from Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. His current research interests are in urban design, planning theory, globalization, postmodernism and nationalism focusing on Los Angeles and South Asia (Sri Lanka).

“Toronto is a great city—even right after spending a year in New York City. I can definitely smell a legacy of progressive politics in the streets—even if the future is uncertain. The best thing about U of T has been the very friendly colleagues and students in our department, with intellectually stimulating people scattered around in other departments.”

Departures

Kim England joined the University of Toronto at Scarborough College in 1990, from a visiting position as assistant professor at the University of Miami, and Ph.D. which she received in 1988 from Ohio State University. Kim was a lively and energetic addition to both Scarborough College and St. George campus, and invigorated our offerings in geography with courses on gender and the city, urban politics and social geography. She became an Associate Professor in 1995.

In 1996, Kim moved over to the St. George campus where she continued to teach in the Geography and Planning Program. Her great wit and ready humor made her an engaging colleague and a much-admired teacher. Her commitment to women’s issues was reflected in her teaching, research, and her links to the Graduate Program of Women’s Studies. She has earned great international respect for her work on gender and labour force issues, beginning with her research and publications on women in suburban pink collar ghettos, on lone mothers, nannies and more recently female managers in Toronto’s financial services industries. Kim has collaborated in bringing a steady stream of research grants to the department, on marginal groups in Toronto [with Sue Ruddick], on gendered geographies of employment, and most recently on home care for the elderly, as part of a research team with Pat McKeever (Faculty of Nursing and Director of The Home Care Evaluation and Research Centre).

Kim’s dedicated scholarship was matched by an equally great sense of style. In fact one of my fondest and funniest memories of her time here was when a group of her colleagues agreed to help her move, on a hot and sunny summer day, from her small flat on Bathurst to a better appointed residence on Palmerston. After lugging several boxes, of what were assumed to be books, up to her fourth floor apartment, the group paused for breath and to help unpack only to discover that two of them contained about thirty pairs of shoes! Kim has had a great fondness for the City of Toronto and the department, but after nearly a year of maintaining a bi-coastal household with her husband Mark Ellis and son Owen, has moved to a position as an associate Professor at the University of Washington at Seattle, in order to be with her family. She maintains a position in the department as Adjunct Professor. She will be missed.

Prepared by Professor Sue Ruddick

Message from the Chair

Welcome to 2000, our millennium year. There was some debate in the science literature that we missed a great opportunity to begin a new starting point for calendar dating by setting this year to 10,000. Two of the many reasons for suggesting this (as many geographers can appreciate) are that the earth-sun geometry is currently configured as it was 10,000 years ago and that this is the same time during which most Canadian landscapes were being freshly exposed from the retreat of the Laurentide Ice Sheet. A fresh beginning for Canada! Two of the reasons against adopting the year 10,000? An aversion to large numbers (but not from any of our students who completed GGR 270Y or more advanced analytical methods). More importantly, if the Y2k problem was difficult enough for everyone, then the Y10k problem would have been a nightmare!

I want to begin by thanking Professor Larry Bourne who very enthusiastically stepped in as Acting Chair during the last half of 1999. Among his many accomplishments were guiding through review our soon to be approved Masters of Spatial Analysis program (joint with Ryerson), success at attracting a second OGSST scholarship from ESRI Canada (see "New endowed scholarship" on page 5) and setting up the numerous reviews and searches now underway. Somewhere in there Larry found time to accept an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Waterloo. In total this year, the department is involved in searches for seven faculty positions including a senior hydrologist, urban geographer, Canadian studies specialist (joint with University College), two physical geographers (one at St. George and one at Scarborough), a China specialist and a GIS teaching stream position. We are excited about the prospects of new research and teaching collaborations and the benefits to both graduate and undergraduate students.

The start of this year brought with it some stressful labour difficulties as our TA's were on strike for three weeks. Thankfully the TA's are back with a new agreement. Several other collective agreements with unions representing support staff have also been finalized. Tuition fee increases and available funding continue to be major issues for our students and the department. A committee has been established by the University to examine current support for our graduate students and we are hoping for a valuable outcome from this process. However, giving from our alumni and friends to existing and newly-established awards has made a very substantial difference for many students. I wish to take this opportunity to publicly thank all of you who donated to our various funds in 1999 (see page 10 for list). Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Many of our alumni will be pleased to learn that we are currently in the process of upgrading our undergraduate and graduate computing facilities housed in the basement of Sidney Smith Hall. The renovations, which are scheduled to be completed by September 2000, will provide students with access to advanced computing facilities for teaching and research with proper air ventilation! As in the past, donations to the Friends of Geography have allowed us to leverage significant funding from Arts and Science to achieve our goals in supporting student facilities.

This year the department is undergoing a mandatory review of all its graduate programs by the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies. As part of that review we are asked to report on the career pathways of our students. Updates and news from our alumni which have been collected by UTAGA through its Alumni Career Survey and Alumni Bulletin Board have been most helpful in this process. However, if you have not sent in recent information we are urging that you take this opportunity to do this now. Students benefit greatly from seeing the accomplishments of our alumni. This is true for all alumni even if your career has taken you into less closely-related jobs. Information should be sent to the UTAGA Office (see page 20).

The department is delighted to be working with UTAGA on its millennium project as is described in "Reasons to celebrate" on page 1. As was mentioned in the article, the Putnam Years Reunion and the Putnam biography by Robert Putnam and Marie Sanderson will be used as a focal point in our efforts to establish a new graduate scholarship. I wish to thank Robert and Marie for this tremendous gift they have given in writing this book. Their efforts are a wonderful testament to an individual who had a tremendous impact on this department, his students and the discipline of geography. I hope that many of you, particularly those from the Putnam years, will be able to attend the Putnam Years Reunion on June 17th and that many of you will enjoy reading the book.

Professor Joe Desloges, Chair, Department of Geography & Program in Planning

Message from the Director of Planning

These are exciting times for planners in Ontario and for the Planning Program at the University of Toronto. The upswing in the economy has translated into an increase in development and a sense of prosperity and optimism in the profession. At the same time, the growing controversy over Toronto's Oak Ridges Moraine and the continuing problem of homelessness place planning issues at the centre of the public agenda on a daily basis. Amidst all of this, the prospect of adding new programs and courses, coupled with the arrival of new faculty members, has created an air of excitement in the Program.

At a time when urban design appears to be gaining prominence in the profession, we find ourselves ready to launch a new Master of Urban Design Studies (MUDS) program and a new urban design specialization for the existing M.Sc.Pl. degree. Both are still subject to approval of the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies, but first enrollments are expected in September 2000. See "Urban Design" on this page for more details.

On the research front, the work of the GTA Portrait of the Region Project (see article below for details) is nearing completion. The research, which involved six lead researchers from the Planning Program, has produced exciting and important findings which are likely to have a major impact in debates over planning issues in the GTA. The project has also had the significant benefit of creating a large number of research assistant positions which were filled by our students—from planning as well as undergraduate and graduate geography.

In November, we were delighted to have been able to present the first Alan Tonks Planning Scholarships to four second-year planning students at the department's annual awards night reception. The Tonks Scholarship is the third new award to have been added to those provided to the program in as many years. It, along with the Sonshine and the Walker scholarships, has enabled us to improve significantly our ability to provide financial assistance to our students. I wish to thank all of you who have donated to these funds, for your generosity. We were equally delighted to have seen two special friends of the program—Dr. Enid Slack and Gerald Piszczowski — honoured by UTAGA through the presentation of their Outstanding Service Award. Both Enid and Gerald have made extensive and invaluable contributions to the planning program and we are grateful to them for their efforts.

Last, but not least, we are pleased to see the work of our Planning Alumni Committee continue to progress as they plan their fourth annual event. I hope to see many of you on April 27th at the Fourth Annual Friends of Planning Spring Social! (See page 13 for details.)

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The GTA "Portrait of the Region" Project

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8 and Professor Larry Bourne

Work on the GTA Portrait Project is nearing completion. Funded by a grant from the NEPTIS Foundation, the project is an interdisciplinary undertaking led by Principal Investigator **Professor Larry Bourne**, with Co-Investigators: **Dr. Pamela Blais**, Metropole Consultants; **Professor Meric Gertler**, U of T geography & planning; **Professor Eric Miller**, U of T civil engineering; **Dr. Enid Slack**, Enid Slack Consulting Inc.; **Professor Rob Wright**, U of T, landscape architecture; and **Mr. Byron Moldofsky**, Cartographic Supervisor. **Lorne Cappe** of

City Planning has served as project coordinator.

The project consists of studies on the following topics: the regional economy, the changing social structure of the region, municipal finance and governance, transportation and travel behaviour, regulation and the changing form of the built environment, and the changing regional landscape.

The purpose of the project is to provide a comprehensive picture, or portrait, of the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) in its temporal and geographical contexts, through statistical analyses, description, mapping and other visual and graphic methods. It is intended to contribute to improving the knowledge base for understanding the growth of the GTA as an integrated urban region and for facilitating more effective

public policy formulation in response to emerging problems and opportunities. Completion of the entire project is expected by early spring.

Urban Design

Master of Urban Design Studies and the New Urban Design Specialization in the M.Sc.Pl. Program

By Professor Elizabeth Macdonald and Professor Kanishka Goonewardena

The ascent of urban design as a field of professional practice and an academic discipline reflects our heightened concern for cities. It follows the mixed legacy of 'modernism' in urban planning and architecture, but has also developed in response to new challenges and opportunities.

Cultural diversification and economic change, along with novel technologies, continue to alter our sense of good cities, just as the same forces reshape our ideas about how to achieve them. The task of bridging the gap between our ideals of 'good city form' and the cities in which we live and work is complex. It demands a creatively interdisciplinary approach, combining insights from the social sciences, the humanities and the arts — and of course a range of timely technical skills — in the hands of urban designers.

The provision of just such an intellectually wide-ranging and practice-oriented combination of professional training and theoretical knowledge is the mission of the new Master of Urban Design Studies (MUDS) degree. Our Master of Science in Planning (MScPl) degree will also offer a new Urban Design specialization, for those who wish to obtain a fully-accredited professional qualification in planning. The first program of its kind in Canada, MUDS envisions new and reinvigorated forms of urban space, and the means to achieve them in just and humane cities.

Pending approval of the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies, first admissions to the MUDS program and the new MScPl specialization in Urban Design are anticipated in September 2000. The program will provide intensive, advanced education in urban design from an interdisciplinary perspective for students who plan to pursue a professional career in an urban discipline such as planning, urban development policy, private-sector urban real estate development, municipal and planning law and the design disciplines. The proposed MUDS degree is based on a rigorous one-year (two semester) program. It is intended to provide an entry into the area of urban design for students coming from a broad range of disciplines, in

contrast to the proposed MUD program in the Faculty of Architecture and Landscape Design, which will require prior completion of a professional degree in architecture, landscape architecture or planning with a design specialization. A further innovative feature is that faculty from the Planning Program and Architecture, Landscape and Design will teach in both new degree programs, and by combining students from the MUDS, MScPl(UD) and MUD programs in shared courses, we expect to achieve a high degree of integration and cross-disciplinarity in our new offerings.

For information please contact Marianne Ishibashi, Graduate Counsellor at ishi@cirque.geog.utoronto.ca or 416-978-3377.

Master of Spatial Analysis

From Professor Marie Truelove, Ryerson Polytechnic University, M.A. 7T1, Ph.D. 8T9

The Geography Department at the University of Toronto, the School of Applied Geography at Ryerson Polytechnic University, and the Centre for the Study of Commercial Activity (CSCA) at Ryerson Polytechnic University have pooled their GIS and analytical-oriented resources to establish a master's program in spatial analysis (MSA). This state-of-the-art program combines courses, labs, seminars and research to generate an intellectual environment in which students can focus on analyzing, modeling, reasoning about, and simulating decision-making using large data sets of spatially distributed information.

Ryerson's School of Applied Geography houses one of Canada's leading applied GIS programs, while CSCA features an endowed chair, sizeable holdings of retail and commercial spatial data sets, and a well-established research infrastructure. The University of Toronto's Department of Geography, the largest in Canada, is internationally recognized for its research in spatial analysis.

While this program is subject to the approval of the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies, first admissions of full-time students are anticipated in September 2000; the part-time program begins in September 2001.

The MSA program offers two streams of study: Business/Commercial and Physical/Landscape. Students will take five courses, common to both streams, that focus on principles, concepts and techniques of spatial analysis, and will take two specialty courses to allow them to focus on areas of concern within their chosen stream. Also, students in both streams will participate in

a six-week practicum in a public or private sector workplace. A research paper (two credits) is completed independently by all students. Students in the program will have full access to the academic resources at both universities.

Professor Ken Jones, Director of the CSCA and UTAGA President, has been involved in the development of the program from its start, "I see this program as an exciting venture dealing with new and emerging technologies in an area which has been under-served by the universities. By working together for the ultimate benefit of future students, U of T and Ryerson have shown true leadership. The program takes the best of both institutions to satisfy a real need."

For further information about this program contact the Director of the Master of Spatial Analysis Program, 416-979-5000 ext. 7440 or email spatial@acs.ryerson.ca.

New endowed scholarship

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

ESRI Canada Ltd. has very generously offered to endow a permanent scholarship in the department for a graduate student studying in fields related to science and technology and spatial analysis. It is the second such fellowship to have been created for geography under The Ontario Graduate Scholarships in Science and Technology (OGSST) program and according to Professor Larry Bourne, "It marks an important step in our collective efforts to establish guaranteed financial support for all graduate students."

As was reported in the last issue of *GEOPLAN*, the first fellowship established under OGSST for geography was created through the generosity of Professor Emeritus William Dean. The first awards for both fellowships are expected this year.

The OGSST program is an innovative initiative through which the value of the initial gift is multiplied six-fold based on matching programs from the Ontario Government and the U of T. The resulting endowment generates a prestigious fellowship, valued at \$15,000 annually, in perpetuity.

There were only 39 such matches available in the entire Faculty of Arts and Science. The purpose of the program is to attract students to, and encourage excellence in, graduate studies in spatial science and technology.

On behalf of the department and future generations of graduate students our thanks are extended to ESRI Canada Ltd. for this most generous gift.

Graduate Program Announcements

Congratulations to the following graduate students for successfully completing their degree requirements for convocation in November 1999. (*Note: The * denotes students who completed the Environmental Collaborative Masters degree.*)

David Bruce Alexander, M.A.* *The Qualitative Relationship Between Entrepreneurship and the Natural Environment: Experiences of Self-Employed Torontonians.* A. Daniere, Supervisor.

John Stewart Andrew, Ph.D. *The Role of Alternative Dispute Resolution in Resolving Waste Management Conflicts: A Study of Cases in Ontario and Massachusetts.* V. Maclaren, Supervisor.

Catherine Alicia Brown, M.Sc. *Oscillatory Behavior in an Ocean General Circulation Model of the North Atlantic.* W. Gough, Supervisor.

Gleb Vadimovich Bylov, M.A. *A Statistical and Geographical Analysis of Ethnic Segregation and Diversity in Toronto.* J. Miron, Supervisor.

Vivian Mary Campbell, M.Sc. *The Effect of Chloride Concentration and Temperature on the Partitioning of Cd, Cu and Pb Between the Dissolved and Solid Phases of an Urban Stormwater Detention Pond.* K. Bolton, Supervisor.

Yau-Fei Chan, M.Sc. *The Sorption of Arsenic Species to Moira Lake Sediments.* K. Bolton and M. Diamond, Supervisors.

Yorrick Michel Da Silva, M.A. *Sustainable Development and Well-Being: A Prudential Approach.* A. Daniere, Supervisor.

Damian Anthony Dupuy, Ph.D. *Technology Development in Ontario's Environmental Technology Industry: Towards a Model of the Environmental Regulation-Innovation Relationship.* J. Britton, Supervisor.

Stephen John Finlay, M.A. *Sharpening the Focus on the Urban Landscape: Approaches in Landscape Analysis.* A. McQuillan, Supervisor.

John Georgakopoulos, M.Sc.* *Urban Residential Water Use in Canada.* L. Grima, Supervisor.

Sarah Elizabeth Gingrich, M.Sc. *Atmospherically Derived Organic Films on Impervious Surfaces: Detection and Characterization.* M. Diamond, Supervisor.

Louisa Veronis, M.A. *Exploring the Margin: the Borders between Regent Park and Cabbagetown.* S. Ruddick, Supervisor.

Shannon Lynne Vickers, M.Sc. *Metal Mobility in a Stormwater Detention Pond: Investigating Metal Mobility and Sediment-Water Exchange.* K. Bolton and M. Diamond, Supervisors.

Honours for Professor Bourne

On October 23, 1999 Professor Larry Bourne was given an Honorary Doctorate of Laws from the University of Waterloo. His convocation address entitled, "Building Bridges To The New Millennium: Challenges and Opportunities" was so enjoyable we thought we should share it with our readers. We hope you enjoy it. Susan Werden, GEOPLAN Editor.

Let me begin by saying that it is an honour, as well as a privilege, to be here today, and to receive this degree. The University of Waterloo, as you well know [or you would not be here], is a first-class, innovative and internationally-recognized institution. Your new degree (and, by inference, my own) reflect that status.

It may surprise some of you to know that I have had a longstanding association, in professional and personal terms, with both the environmental field and this University. In my undergraduate days, which at once seem so long ago and yet so real and vivid, Waterloo and Western Ontario shared courses and instructors. Those instructors were largely responsible for awakening in me a curiosity to explore, to learn more about places, and to try to understand how the world around us actually works.

My family - if you will permit the aside - provides further examples of these connections. My son and daughter-in-law graduated in engineering from this University; and my daughter, now a graduate student in biology and ecology at Manitoba, is first and foremost an environmentalist.

But more important today than my history and position is your present and future. Initially, I want to offer my sincere congratulations to all of the graduating class; you are soon to become alumni, as well as (almost instantaneously) members of the University's list of potential donors.

But I especially want to acknowledge your friends and families, and particularly those long-suffering, but intensely-proud, parents. I have often thought about the need to provide parents with an associate degree [a degree-once-removed] in recognition of their support and contributions. Those contributions were often made under conditions of uncertainty and stress, and equally often with a lack of knowledge of what you were actually doing.

As for you, the new graduates, I have a simple message. I urge you to **take pride** in your accomplishments to date. A university degree, whether your first or an advanced degree, is indeed a major achievement, an important beginning. It is a "bridge" to a future that, while not clearly defined, is potentially limitless. The quality of your training and specialization [whether in engineering, mathematics, or independent and environmental studies] place you in the premier division; they also position you squarely in the vanguard of those who will chart our future.

Admittedly, for some of you the "road to this time and place" may, on occasion, have been difficult and bumpy, and it certainly seems long and costly. Your primary feeling at this moment may simply be a sense of intestinal relief. But the **downstream reward**, I assure you, will be well worth the effort. An old cliché says that "one's university years improve the further you are from them".

You are also, like it or not, now members of a relatively small well-trained professional elite, but with that training, and your new status, comes **social responsibility** - to use that expertise in socially productive ways.

[No doubt you have been told that you are the lucky ones. In most cases you have ignored these platitudes. But consider this: if the world's current population of 6 billion were reduced, for ease of representation, to a small hamlet of say 100 people, on average 40 would be illiterate, 30 would be hungry or ill, 20 would be homeless, and only one (1) would be a university graduate.] "Which one", you are asking?

While I still have your attention, and before the seats become too uncomfortable, I would like to share with you a few personal "thoughts, and "lessons learned". I will be brief, although the words "brief" and "professor" seldom appear in the same sentence. I am also sensitive to the fact that not only do I stand before you on the podium, I also stand [nervously] between you and your well-earned degree, and between that degree and whatever celebrations will follow.

Those thoughts, the lessons learned, relate to issues of **flexibility and uncertainty, expert knowledge, social responsibility and unrealized expectations**. While these may sound abstract and boring, I will attempt to illustrate the relevance of these points with three personalized examples from my own academic career - my "road to this podium" - not because that experience is unique or even that important, but because it is an age period that is closer to your own.

My career started in environmental conservation, geology and glaciology, and my first research position was in the high Arctic islands monitoring the age, density and movement of an ice cap. We were hoping, through deep drilling, to find ice that was at least 10,000 years old [not to mention 45 million year old tree stumps], and to provide photo opportunities for *National Geographic*. The purpose was to provide insight into the puzzle of long-run changes in atmospheric conditions and climate. Instead, I learned a basic scientific principle, call it the "**Bart Simpson**" principle - that initial appearances can be deceptive. First, glacial ice does in fact move, especially under the surface, and second, our ice was not 10,000 years old but only 750.

I also re-discovered a simple geographical truism: "that location matters". Our tent, which we were told to pitch on top of the ice cap, presumably for a better view, was socked in thick fog for most of the summer - we even had to use a rope to find the ice latrine. From this latrine experience I learned two other practical lessons for later life - that toilets should be inside and heated, and that ice, unlike good wine, does not taste better with age.

From there I went to Alberta to do a Masters degree on the Yellowknife region, involving research that combined geology, structural engineering and economic geography, as well as new social (and drinking) skills. To support myself, financially and otherwise, I worked in the Giant gold mine, sampling on the 2000 foot level underground. At the same time, I served as a consultant, fortunately above ground, on the difficulties of building on permafrost. Of course, being from London Ontario, I knew next to nothing about either subject. The learning curve, like the mine shaft, was steep.

I did, however, learn two other crucial lessons: the first I call the "**Red-Green**" principle, that spare parts and expertise are often found where you least expect them - the old miners showed we "so-called" experts how to take rock samples, and how to avoid the daily dynamite blasts. The Inuit and Dene people, the real experts, kindly showed us that the best way to deal with permafrost was to leave it in place; to work with it not against it. The second is what we may call the "**titanic**" principle, that what goes down - in mining as well as hydrology - must eventually come back up. I also learned an additional principle - that you should not go into mining if you have claustrophobia.

I then moved to the inner city of Chicago to do a PhD in urban studies, planning and geography - fields which, you will agree, [hardly] represent a logical extension of my previous training in glaciology, gold mining and permafrost construction. {There are several parallels here, believe me, notably in the glacial-like speed of politics and the planning process}. The Chicago experience, and that subsequently in Toronto, demonstrated another set of basic principles, the importance of **flexibility** in

career choices [the **Adrienne Clarkson principle**], and second, the utility - indeed the **necessity** - of combining specialized and multi-discipline-based approaches to complex societal issues and urban problems.

Cities are the mirrors of our civilization, our culture. They are in effect where all, or at least most of our current problems come together, or intersect; and where the need to **integrate the knowledge pool** of the specialist and generalist, and that of the physical, life and social sciences, is most obvious, and most urgent.

As testament to the impossibility of separating and isolating the components of daily life, located next to the scholarly pillars of the Chicago campus was one of the most devastating ghettos of concentrated poverty, despair, disinvestment and violence anywhere in North America. That landscape of decay and fear is still firmly imprinted in my memory.

On a lighter note, I also learned not to drive in Illinois with an Alberta plate and driver's licence. The local police had never heard of Alberta [or Waterloo for that matter], they thought that my bearded colleague and I were characters out of a B-rated movie, or perhaps members of a sinister rock group. In any case they assumed that we were up to no good, and threatened to arrest us. Ignorance can be dangerous.

Since moving to Toronto [which you would know better as that over-sized blob that impedes travel from Waterloo to Kingston and Montreal] to teach transportation, I have been fortunate to spend most of my working hours in a stimulating intellectual and interdisciplinary environment, working with a range of specialists in engineering, architecture, economics, sociology and environmental studies. That experience has profoundly shaped not only my career but my perspectives on university life, as well as on research and public policy. It also, frequently, gave me headaches. Interdisciplinary research can extract a toll.

In concluding let me offer four suggestions. First, although it may sound trite, retain the intellectual capital you have accumulated; in other words, do not stop thinking. You may at this point feel brain-dead, and certainly exhausted. But this is not a terminal condition. The greatest asset you have is not the parchment, or even the expert training you have already received. Rather, it is the ability to think, to analyze, to question. Do not lose, waste or depreciate that talent. As the northern poet Robert Service once said, presumably when he was sober, education is a continuing process, a state of mind, not an event.

Second, use that training for more than strictly personal gain. Society has given you a mandate; and the degree that you are about to receive gives you a responsibility to use that training, at least in part, for the common good.

Third, try not to under-estimate the talents or contributions of other specializations, or non-specialists, to your own professional endeavors. Knowledge, unlike expertise, cannot be easily compartmentalized into neat boxes, each with a warning label - "do not use in isolation". The well-worn principle captured by the phrase "everything is related to everything else" will apply even more in the high-tech electronic world of the next century than it has in the past.

And finally, do not accept the view that the future is set or otherwise pre-determined, that there is little left to discover, little scope for innovation, and few problems or puzzles to be solved. Remember that our generation has left your generation with an imposing set of complex, inter-related challenges - deteriorating infrastructure, leaking toxic dumps, and persistent social inequalities, to name but a few. At the same time, the future offers an almost unlimited set of possibilities. Set your objectives high, but be patient.

The need for innovative thinking is as strong as ever. Surely it is not beyond our individual talents and collective capacity to design roads that are durable and safe, to build autos that do not pollute, to design housing that is affordable, to reduce the write-

down of our stock of environmental resources, and to provide a respectable quality of life for all of our citizens, including the least fortunate. It should also not be beyond our [your] innovative capacity to design VCRs that people over 40 [the technology-challenged generation] can operate.

The challenges facing your generation in the new cordless century are immense, but so too are the opportunities for creative work, appropriate technologies and social progress. You can, both individually and collectively, make a difference. As I said at the outset, and to push the use and abuse of metaphors still further, today you have crossed a unique bridge, passed an important milestone [or kilometer stone]; but you also have a problem. That problem [and the music should start about here] is not only to find a job or career path, buy a 4x4, pay off debts or other obligations, but also to make your local community, your country and the world a better place to live.

Thank you; congratulations and good luck to all of you.

A celebration of excellence, achievements and contributions

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

On Thursday, November 18, 1999 the **Fifth Annual Awards Presentation and Graduation Reception for the Department of Geography and Program in Planning** was held. This annual event, which is co-hosted by the department and UTAGA provides an opportunity to honour those who have graduated in the past academic year, as well as to provide recognition for excellence, achievements and contributions.

A complete list of student awards and award recipients can be found on page 9. Student awards range in purpose, from the majority which recognize academic achievements, to the Geography Toronto Awards which recognize contributions to the life of the department through extra-curricular involvement. For several years the list of awards has grown, as new awards have been added to the list offered. This year we were delighted to be able to present the first Alan Tonks Planning Scholarships and were also delighted to have Mr. Tonks with us for the presentation.

UTAGA also uses this special occasion to present several special awards of its own: the Outstanding Service Awards, the UTAGA Honorary President Award and the UTAGA Distinguished Alumnus Award.

New in 1999, the Outstanding Service Awards are presented to alumni or friends who have made "outstanding voluntary contributions to the department, its programs, its students or its alumni." The inaugural winners were Penny Henry, B.A. 6T9, Donna Jeynes, Gerald Pisarzowski, B.A. 7T1, M.Sc.Pl. 7T4 and Enid Slack.

A special highlight of the evening was the spontaneous standing ovation given to Donna Jeynes. Most recent alumni, plus anyone who has contacted the main office in the past 10 years knows Donna for her friendly and caring ways. It was a well-deserved ovation.

The UTAGA Honorary President award is given to individuals who have made "exceptional contributions" to the development of the department or its programs and its alumni. In 1999 the award was given to Dick Baine. Dick was UTAGA's first president and has continued to serve the Association as a very active Past-President since 1994.

Finally, UTAGA honours an alumnus of the department who has made "a significant contribution to the discipline of geography" through the presentation of the UTAGA Distinguished Alumnus Award. In 1999, the award was given to John Warkentin, M.A. 5T4, Ph.D. 6T1. Throughout his career John's major field of interest has been historical geography. He has authored numerous books and articles and in recent years has gained particular eminence for his outstanding work as Co-ordinating Editor for the Historical Atlas of Canada Project.

The next awards night will be held in November 2000 (see the next issue of *GEOPLAN* for details). Alumni and friends interested in nominating individuals for UTAGA awards may do so by contacting the UTAGA Office (see page 20) by July 14, 2000.

1999 Award Winners

Undergraduate

Alpar Undergraduate Scholarship

Jason Brown, Steven Lemoire & Katharine Myrans

Canadian Association of Geographers Award

Emily Head

Geography Toronto Award

Bonnie Yu

Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award

Giselle Medford, Craig Morris & Stephanie Tencer

Ben Shindman Scholarship in Geography

Sarah Starkweather

Sidney and Lucille Silver Scholarship

Heather Frost

Undergraduate Griffith Taylor Memorial Award

Emily Head & Kristi Ross

Undergraduate Computer Applications Award

Sarah Starkweather

Daniel Wilson Scholarship in Science

Barbara Ann Sears

Graduate

Alpar Graduate Scholarship

Ranu Basu, Adam Cornwell & Diana Mok

Geography Toronto Award

Jeffrey Chow, Penelope Duda, Ingrid Hartmann,
Vivienne Skoberne & Sarah Jill Wigle

Joseph A. May Scholarship

Yael Mina Levitte

Graduate Griffith Taylor Memorial Award

Niall Majury

Planning

Benjamin Sonshine Urban Planning Award

Deborah Cowen

Alan Tonks Planning Scholarship

Helen Collins, John Iveson, Joanne Lynch & Anumaya Phatate

Peter R. Walker Planning Scholarship

John MacKenzie & Eva-Marie Tropper

Ian D. Macpherson Award

Robert Michael Anderson

Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP) Award for Academic Excellence

Sarah Jill Wigle

Donors make a difference

Donations to scholarship, bursary and "friends" funds provide tangible benefits for our students. The photos on page 10 and 11 are of some of the 1999 award winners. A complete list of the 1999 Award Winners can be found on page 9. On behalf of the Department of Geography and Program in Planning we wish to thank our 1999 donors for their generous contributions.

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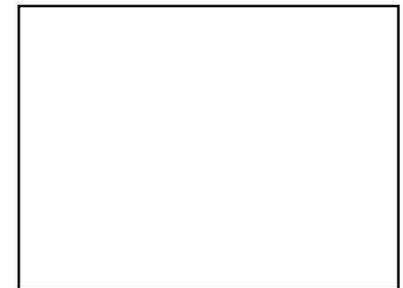
By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

Congratulations are extended to William Wonders, B.A. 4T6, Ph.D. 5T1 on being named to the Order of Canada this past January. The Order of Canada was established in 1967 to recognize outstanding service to the country. It is this country's highest honour for lifetime achievement.

Wonders, who is now retired, spent the majority of his career at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, where he taught its first geography courses and where he founded its Department of Geography. He also founded U of A's Boreal institute, now known as the Canadian Circumpolar Institute, which studies the vast boreal forest regions of Canada.

Through his long and distinguished career, Professor Wonders accumulated many awards, the most recent of which were the Massey Medal of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society and the UTAGA Distinguished Alumnus Award, both in 1998.

Of the award Professor Wonders tells us that he is "honoured and grateful to whoever was responsible for the nomination. When I heard the news I said to my wife Lillian, 'Y2K has proved to have some surprises after all!'"



Bill Wonders accepts the UTAGA Distinguished Alumnus Award, November 1998.

Attention Friends of Planning

By Michael Skelly, B.A. 9T1, M.Sc.Pl. 9T3

Building on the success of the last three years, the Fourth Annual Friends of Planning Spring Social will take place on Thursday, April 27th from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Debates Room at Hart House. Last year's event was the most successful to date - over 120 alumni, planning professionals, faculty and students mingled, networked and were treated to a fascinating presentation by Brown and Storey Architects and the City of Toronto on the Yonge-Dundas Revitalization project.

This year's event promises to be just as exciting. Newly appointed *Globe and Mail* architecture and urban design critic, Lisa Rochon will be the speaker. Her national column, *Cityspace*, provides a commentary on the built form, neighbourhoods and debates which fuel our sense of the city and our role within it. She has also contributed many architecture critiques and arts reports to CBC radio. Ms. Rochon will be speaking on new opportunities for planning public spaces.

In lieu of an admission fee, a minimum \$25 donation to the Friends of Planning Fund is suggested. Tax receipts will be issued. Gifts can be made in advance, using the form on page 19 or at the door.

Space is limited. Don't miss this great opportunity. In order to attend this event, you **MUST RSVP** the Planning Alumni Committee by mail or fax using the form on page 19, by e-mail to: utaga@geog.utoronto.ca or by phone at 416-978-3375 by **April 24, 2000**.

GIS Workshops

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

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.

Introductory Workshops will run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on April 29 and October 21, while the Advanced Workshop will be held on November 25. 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.

Obituaries

Kay Dakin

Many past students and surviving staff from the 1960s and 70s will be sad to hear of Kay's death on December 10, 1998.

During those decades Kay did much behind the scenes to advance the work of planning at U of T. She will be well remembered for her student-staff parties—particularly at Christmas—during those years. She often succeeded in capturing some University notable to come and socialize. Some will remember a wonderful evening when Marshall McLuhan sat on the stairs for most of the time entertaining everybody. He was a great showman.

Less visible, but very valuable was the work Kay did in making useful contacts for us in many other disciplines of the University. When I took over the old Division of Town and Regional Planning from Gordon Stephenson in 1960 we knew nobody in the University and Planning was known to only a very small number of interested professors in other disciplines. Kay quickly got going in the Faculty Wives Association so that we made important contacts with people in other fields who might be interested. These contacts were very important at that time because we had to do the political work necessary to get support for setting up the M.Sc.Pl. degree. This was a very important contribution and so continued until I gave up the chair in 1972.

In connection with that policy of making Planning more visible but also in the interest of broadening students' contacts with other disciplines (so necessary for planners) I instituted lectures by University notables. One invited was Northrop Frye. I was concerned to have someone from the Humanities talk about their values in planning education. I hoped he would talk about the values those disciplines represent. I introduced him, after having beaten the bushes to get a good-sized audience since he was a University Professor (means he had no set duties). He rose from his chair on the dais and out of his mouth without any preliminary warning came this, "I BELIEVE IN ORIGINAL SIN". It took me a long time to live that one down.

Prepared by Professor Emeritus A. John Dakin

Ruth Evelyn Kerr

We are saddened to report the passing of Ruth Kerr, wife of Professor Emeritus Donald Kerr, on December 13, 1999. Born in Saskatoon in 1921, Ruth moved with her family to Victoria B.C. in 1937 to attend the University of Victoria where she graduated with first class honours in 1943. Following marriage to Don she moved to Toronto where she worked for the City of Toronto Health Department for a number of years. An ardent golfer, Ruth joined the Toronto Ladies and later Thornhill Country Club where she got great pleasure from chipping on the green invariably near enough to the pin to sink her putt.

Abstracted from the Globe and Mail, December 15, 1999.

Cool websites for geographers & planners

By Fenton Chin, B.A. 9T4

- (1) <http://www.millennium-map.com>. A very appropriate, very recent, new year, new decade, new century, new millennium, Y2K-compliant (and how many times have you heard that now?) home page, which is still under construction. Ideal for those who enjoy GIS, airphoto interpretation, cartography, as well as anyone who has a particular interest in the geography of the U.K.
- (2) <http://www.eyewire.com/cartesia>. This is really part of a popular trade journal for those in photography and graphic arts professions. But hey, who else is as multi-talented as geographers anyway? It's actually an on-line map and globe store, offering lots of neat things for sale, and links to other similar sites, like its sister site, <http://www.eyewire.com/digitalwisdom>. On-line shopping.
- (3) <http://www.mapmobility.com>. Have you ever wanted to find out directions to some obscure street in town? Well, here's a site that provides a link to free, detailed maps of any location in Toronto. All you have to do is plug in a street name, postal code, or landmark (such as a school, hospital, park, etc.), and it will draw a map for you of the area in question. Very useful!
- (4) <http://www.city.toronto.on.ca/torontoplan>. mmm...the municipal, metropolitan megacity metropolis/megalopolis with megabytes of information, and more maps than you'd ever want to manage, as measured by Mayor Mel Lastman. Toronto is an excellent place to observe the planning process.
- (5) <http://canada.metropolis.net>. Speaking of the metropolis, here's a good place to check out for research and publications on many of our nation's urban issues.
- (6) <http://www.workopolis.com>. Something many of us need; the newest, largest career website in Canada. Lists jobs for geographers, planners, as well as others.
- (7) <http://www.canadapost.ca/CPC2/addrm/pclookup/pclookup.shtml>. What's more frustrating than looking through the phone directory? Why, looking through the postal code directory, of course, especially if you're still sending traditional, "snail-mail" in an age of e-mail. Like mapmobility, just give a street name or address, and your PC will fetch a postal code for you. Very useful, and fast too, as long as your computer and internet connection are working properly.
- (8) <http://canada411.sympatico.ca>. Looking for some long-lost friend or family member? If they're still in Canada, this interactive site may be able to locate them. Click on their name for a full mailing address complete with postal codes. A word of caution—unit numbers are not included.
- (9) <http://www.timezoneconverter.com>. O.K. Had enough of your city and country by now? Want a little more international flavour? If you'll be attending conferences, or vacationing, this handy tool will let you find out what time it is on any other part of earth.
- (10) <http://www.evite.com>, or e-invite; that is, "electronic invitations", much like e-mail, e-postcards, e-commerce, e-everything, etc. A great way to send out invitations for special events. Why not try using it for organizing a class reunion? Interested? Contact the UTAGA Office (see page 20).

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.

Your alumni association

The University of Toronto Association of Geography Alumni (UTAGA) has two main bodies through which it functions, its Executive and its Planning Alumni Committee (PAC). Current members of these committees are listed below. If you're interested in getting involved in the work of YOUR alumni association, please contact Susan Werden, through the UTAGA Office (see page 20).

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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/utaga/. 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.

Because of the ever-increasing size of this list, this will be the last issue of *GEOPLAN* to contain a complete listing of our alumni email addresses. Future issues of *GEOPLAN* will contain new listings and address changes. However, we will continue to maintain a listing of email addresses on our homepage and because some people are reluctant to have their email address posted on our homepage we will also make available upon request an updated full listing of email addresses which have been published in *GEOPLAN*.

Please contact me through the UTAGA Office (see page 20) with any comments or suggestions. Note: maiden names are in *italics*

Susan Werden, *GEOPLAN* Editor

Missing Alumni: Installment #2

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*.

Dumitru, Cristina, Hon. B.Sc. 1995
Duong, Hanh, B.Com. 1998
Dutton, Brian C., B.Sc. 1982
Eadie, *Sela* Catherine, Ph.D. 1994
Eaton, Sherry, M.Sc.* 1996
Ebejer, Sandra M., B.A. 1991
Ecclestone, Edward J., B.Sc. 1993
Egan, *Barefoot* Lynn A., B.Sc. 1981
Eguillor, Pilar, M.Sc.Pl. 1993
El Badawi, Mohamed, M.Sc.Pl. 1973
Elgar, *Field* Shelley A., B.A. 1978
Elgie-Watson, Edith J., B.A. 1980
Evans, Jason Robert, B.A. 1996
Eyre, Steven B., B.Sc. 1989
Fabbro, Iris, B.A. 1985
Farrell, John, Hon. B.A. 1999
Faye, G. David, B.A. 1969
Feather, Susan E., B.A. 1977
Fedak, Lori-Ann, B.A. 1993
Fillman, Peter G., DTRP 1960
Fine, Robert S., B.A. 1983
Finnie, Lawrence E., B.A. 1986
Fischl, Tim, B.Sc. 1984
Fisher, Kathryn A., M.Sc.Pl. 1990
Fler, Nicole, B.A. 1996
Flim, Allard V., B.Sc. 1993
Fors, Eric H., B.A. 1956
Fountain, Juanita May, B.A. 1970
Fox, Allan, B.Sc. 1984
Fox, Cynthia D., B.Sc. 1988
Franklin, Rosalind, B.Sc. 1990
Fraser, Donald M., M.Sc. 1984
Fraser, John Z., M.Sc. 1979
Frazer, Ian Stuart, B.Sc. 1989
Frech, Marion, B.A. 1978
Freedman, Harry, B.A. 1965
Freer, Gerard A., B.A. 1975
Friesen, John, DTRP 1961
Froom, Stephen C.B., B.A. 1985
Fung, Margaret W.S., B.A. 1984
Fung, Amy, B.Comm. 1982
Galamb, Eric E., B.Sc. 1987
Garai, Hugh, M.A. 1974
Gavinha, Jose A., M.Sc.Pl. 1994
Gawdiak, Leda A., B.Sc. 1992
Gawinski, Thaddeus G., B.A. 1951
Georgakopoulos, John, Hon. B.Sc. 97
Ghosh, Yatindra K., M.Sc.Pl. 1971
Giles, Nancy Ann, M.Sc.Pl. 1982
Giles, Timothy G., B.A. 1983
Gill, Joey Michael, B.A.3 1995
Godin, Rene J., B.A. 1992
Goeree, David, Hon. B.Sc. 1996
Goffin, Michael J., B.A. 1981
Gonzales, Ernest F., M.Sc.Pl. 1977
Gooch, *Fowler* Claire H., B.Sc. 1988
Gordon, Blair S., B.A. 1976
Gotceitas, P. Ramunas, B.A. 1986
Gould, Timothy J., B.Sc. 1988
Grant, Margaret L., M.Sc.Pl. 1980
Grant, Patricia A., B.A. 1990
Gray, Kelly D., B.A. 1990
Gruenberg, Michael K., B.A. 1986
Gudjonsson, Kristinn A., M.Sc. 1992
Guillotte, Paul E., B.A. 1990
Gyamfi, Matthew, M.A. 94 Ph.D. 98
Hack, Brian W., B.Sc. 1988
Hack, Jonathan, M.A. 1992
Hall, John G., B.A. 1968
Hall, Nigel J., M.A. 1986
Hall, Horace John, DTRP 1963
Halle, Jesse Robert, Hon. B.Sc. 1996
Hamilton, Geoffrey C., DTRP 1959
Hamilton, Stuart, B.Sc. 1986
Hammond, Wayne M., B.Sc. 1974
Hands, Janet A., B.Sc. 1983
Hansen, Karl G., B.A. 1988
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How to help

By Susan Werden, B.A. 8T8

Over the years we have approached our alumni for financial assistance to fund an increasing number of initiatives aimed at improving conditions for students in our programs, and many have been very generous in their support. At this time we would like to extend our thanks to those who donated in 1999 (see list on page 10). Donor dollars do make a difference and are greatly appreciated.

At present, the Department of Geography & Program in Planning is encouraging alumni and friends to donate to its many worthy funds, be it a scholarship or bursary fund, or a general fund such as the Friends of Geography or Friends of Planning, the choice is yours. See the side box for full descriptions. These various funds can make a significant difference in the lives of students facing ever-increasing tuition fees and to a department facing increasing demands.

To those interested in our graduate students—you have an opportunity to make a bigger difference. Until **June 30, 2000** you can take advantage of the University's "Matching Program" in which it will match 1:1 every dollar raised for endowed graduate scholarships and bursaries. Under the program money can be donated for the current year and/or pledged for any year up until 2002. Provided the donation/pledge form is received by **June 30, 2000**, the money will be matched—effectively doubling its impact.

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 and pledges can be made using the form found on page 19.

Note: The university will issue charitable tax receipts for all donations.

Geography & Planning Charitable Funds

The Alpar Scholarships (Undergraduate & Graduate¹)

The Alpar Scholarship Fund is an endowed scholarship, which was 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 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 Bursary¹

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.

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Established in honour of Anne McMaster in 1994 on her retirement after 27 years of outstanding service to the department, as business officer. The purpose of these bursaries is 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 2000 as part of a millennium project by UTAGA and the department, and 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

Funded by an endowment which was created from the proceeds of a gala dinner held on December 9, 1997, in honour of Alan Tonks, upon his retirement as Chairman of Metropolitan Toronto, with matching funding from the University, these scholarships will be awarded annually to up to four students entering the second year of the Planning Program. The awards will be 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

The Peter R. Walker Planning Scholarship was created through the efforts of the Planning Alumni Committee of UTAGA and was named in honour of Peter R. Walker in recognition of his generous financial contribution to the funding of this award. It 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.

(¹these awards are available to graduate geography and planning students)

University of Toronto Department of Geography & Program in Planning

Alumni and Friends: Outreach and Appeal 2000



- I wish to attend the Putnam Years Reunion, June 17, 2000 (see *Reasons to celebrate*, page 1).
- I wish to attend the Friends of Planning Spring Social, April 27, 2000 (see *Attention Friends of Planning*, page 13).
- Please send a free copy of *Down to Earth: A Biography of Donald Fulton Putnam*, to the address below (see *Reasons to celebrate*, 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, contributions to **endowed graduate Geography/Planning scholarships and bursaries** (those denoted here with *) will be doubled in the 1:1 matching program. To be eligible for the matching program, donations or commitments must be received by June 30, 2000 and paid in full by December 31, 2002.*

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Upcoming Events at a glance

Friends of Planning Spring Social

The fourth annual event by UTAGA's Planning Alumni Committee. A great opportunity for planners to network and socialize.

Thursday April 27, 2000, 6 to 9 p.m. See page 13.



Putnam Years Reunion

A millennium and 65th Anniversary project of UTAGA and the Department of Geography. **Saturday June 17, 2000. See page 1.**

UTAGA Introductory & Advanced GIS Workshops

Be introduced to Geographic Information Systems, by taking this one-day course. A new Advanced course is also being offered. **April 29, October 21, and November 25, 2000. See page 14.**

U of T Day & Geography Open House

An open house for all to discover what U of T and the Department of Geography have to offer. **October 14, 2000 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the St. George Campus. See the fall 2000 issue of GEOPLAN for details!**

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