Katie was born in the cornfields of Carlisle, Pennsylvania and raised in the Sicilian South End of Hartford, Connecticut until her family moved west to Portland, Oregon in the early 1990s. At first, the monochromatic whiteness and lack of decent Italian canolis shocked her, but Katie grew to love the stately firs, friendly people, and wide open spaces of Oregon. She graduated from Lake Oswego High School in 1995 and attended the University of Oregon, obtaining a B.A. in Political Science and Environmental Studies in 1999. Katie’s favorite memories as an undergraduate Duck are surfing trips to Yachats and Otter Rock, making friends and surviving the Bean dorm, playing on the women’s lacrosse team, and participating in the year-long Kidd Tutorial Creative Writing Seminar (which still exists today).

Katie is an urban political ecologist with research and teaching interests in water governance, urban sustainability, and social theory. Her interest in water issues was sparked during her service as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Belize (2000-2002) and Guatemala (2002-2003). In both countries, Katie worked as an environmental educator and dealt extensively with water quality and supply issues—threats like in-stream gravel mining, effluent from tilapia farming, and a chronic lack of piped household water.

Katie’s master’s thesis at the University of Oxford, guided by Diana Liverman and Erik Swyngedouw, examined the contested politics of decentralized water management in post-conflict Guatemala. For her PhD dissertation, Katie examined how poor urban dwellers create and manage water supply in the absence of formal provision. Living for 13 months in the bucolic city of Tijuana, Mexico (border life is not for everyone), she used qualitative and quantitative methods to explore how informal systems of water harvesting and re-use emerge and endure; what economies and ecologies were produced in this circulation; and to what degree they cultivated new political dynamics that supported alternative forms of development. The institutions and technologies of the informal water sector, often promoted as “best management practices” in cities like Portland, yield positive environmental outcomes in places like Tijuana—but produce a “splintered urbanism” which proves troublesome for straightforward state or market regulation. This work was kindly financed by a slew of support, including a Fulbright-Hays DDRA, an NSF DDRI, an IDRF fellowship from the SSRC, and a Social Science Graduate Fellowship from NOAA. Based on insights from this research, in the summer of 2011 Katie will start a new research project on the informal water commons in Mexico City—a megacity facing some of the most severe water provision problems in the world.

In terms of teaching, Katie dove headfirst into the pool. Fall term she enjoyed teaching Introduction to Human Geography (GEOG 142) and even managed to convert a few majors. She will lead a graduate seminar, “The Political Ecology of Things,” in which she and her students will examine different philosophical approaches to explaining objects and materiality in human-environment research. In the spring, Katie will develop a new course on urban sustainability and next year plans to teach international water policy and an urban/cultural geography course that uses the acclaimed HBO series “The Wire” as its central text. Go Ducks!
Department Head News - From W. Andrew Marcus

At the risk of repeating my introduction from last year, it has been another remarkable year in the Department of Geography. The number of geography majors surpassed 200 for the first time in the history of the department, a 30% increase in numbers from just two years ago. Enrollments in almost all our classes are at capacity, even with added sections and classes – a reflection of the growing appreciation that students have for the field of geography. Our graduate students and faculty received numerous fellowships and accolades, as is reported elsewhere in this newsletter. And our activities continue to make significant contributions to Oregon, whether it be via hosting of school groups for Geography Awareness Week, development of University of Oregon apps for iPhones, or the standard research and teaching that make up our daily lives.

Of course, it is easy to pat ourselves on the back, feel good about our department, and self-proclaim our good work. It is far more difficult to have an external agency declare that the Department of Geography at Oregon is achieving at the highest levels. Yet that is exactly what happened this past fall.

In late September, the National Research Council released the results of their nationwide ranking of Ph.D. departments, the first such rankings in 15 years. These rankings were based on a random survey of seven percent of all tenure track faculty in each discipline, as well as numeric data reported for each department (e.g. number of Ph.D.s awarded). Regardless of which data were used, our department fared well.

The strength of our research is indicated by our number three ranking in both the number of publications per faculty member and the number of times faculty articles were cited by other scholars. We excel in both the quantity and quality of research, a notable feat given that other top ranked departments have three to six times the number of faculty and lower service and teaching loads.

The rankings also placed us at the top or near the top of all Ph.D. departments in the University of Oregon, depending on which criteria are being ranked. As a result, our department is being celebrated by the university. You will soon see Geography on the cover of Cascade Magazine, the bimonthly magazine of the College of Arts and Sciences.

On other fronts within the department, the past year has been one of transitions. Professor Susan Hardwick retired, although she will continue to teach classes each year and remains a vital contributor to our community. To our delight, Susan’s replacement is Dr. Katie Meehan, who recently graduated with her Ph.D. from Arizona and is profiled on the front page of the newsletter. Also retiring were Andrea Heid and Mary Milo, stalwarts of our office staff. Happily, Sonja Anthone has joined our office, where she provides an immensely competent and welcoming presence.

So… new staff and faculty, growth in students numbers and awards, high rankings, innovative research, and a high profile in the university. What next? There are many potential directions we can go, but first and foremost we remain committed to continuing the strong sense of community that has brought us to this point. People such as yourselves are the ones who have made the department such an excellent one and who have contributed to its tremendous esprit de corps. To keep our community vibrant and evolving, we want to keep you and your ideas as part of it. Please feel free to contact me with your suggestions or, better yet, come by and visit if you are in town. We want to make sure that all UO Geographers and friends, past and present, remain part of this wonderful department and its future.

News from the InfoGraphics Lab

Mobile Mapping – With the rapid growth of smartphone technology, the InfoGraphics Lab has endeavored to develop expertise in mobile mapping applications. During the past year the Lab’s staff under the guidance of Assistant Director Ken Kato, has developed a number of successful applications for the Apple iOS (iPhone, iPad, iPod). These projects have provided an opportunity to push the Lab’s boundaries of developing digital and interactive map applications, and have proven to be exciting projects for students to work on.

UOregon Application – Responding to a request of President Richard Larivierre the Lab created the official iPhone app of the University of Oregon. The UOregon app routes you around campus, helping students find classes, activities, events and other items of interest. Users are connected directly to the room-level campus GIS. All UO events are mapped to the exact room they occur in. Users can also view their current location on campus and switch between custom maps – Safety at Night, Accessibility, Parking, Bicycling, as well as historic air photos and maps. The application was developed using ESRI’s iOS SDK. The application will be featured in upcoming articles in ESRI’s ArcNews and ArcUser. The application was released for Fall Term, and...
News From the InfoGraphics Lab (continued)

over 7,000 people have downloaded it from iTunes.

“Fix This” – In collaboration with researchers and students in PPM and ENVS, the Lab received a grant from the Oregon Transportation Research Consortium (OTREC) to develop an iPhone application that put a mobile survey instrument in the hands of users for assessing walking and biking transportation infrastructure. Based on the success of that project, the Lab secured a second grant from OTREC to continue further functionality of the application during this academic year.

Vasi Exhibit at JSMA – In support of the exhibit in the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art – “Giuseppe Vasi’s Rome: Lasting Impressions from the Age of the Grand Tour” – the Lab developed several iPad applications to allow visitors a ‘multi-touch’ experience as a means to explore the detailed works of art and historic maps. This effort is a collaborative effort with Architecture Professor James Tice and is built on several years of work in the development of mapping applications featuring the Nolli Map of Rome and the work of Vasi.

GEOGRAPHY AWARENESS WEEK 2010

November 14-20, 2010

This November 14-20, Geography Awareness Week was once again celebrated in style at UO. The annual Geography Awareness Week, launched in 1987 by our very own Susan Hardwick, Professor Emeritus, is a nationally recognized week focused on engaging families and schools in geographic understanding of the world around them. GIS Day, held on the Wednesday during Geography Awareness Week, was a later addition created as an international forum to update users on GIS technological advancements and applications used around the world.

Celebratory activities were planned and organized by the members of the Geography Awareness Week committee: graduate students Gretchen Hill, Aquila Flower, Jenn Kusler, Sarah Praskievicz, and Innisfree McKinnon. During this past year, the committee worked diligently to facilitate a one-day, on-campus event for elementary school children in 5th through 7th grades. Activities for the visiting students were designed to complement this year’s Geography Awareness Week theme: Freshwater. On Thursday, November 18th, a total of 144 students visited the UO campus to participate in Geography Awareness Week activities. The visiting students explored river system dynamics using a stream table, conducted their own water quality tests, completed a GPS-based scavenger hunt, and attended guided tours of the Vasi exhibit at the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art. The Geography Awareness Week committee also held a contest to select a design for use on department t-shirts and collaborated with the Knight Library to hold a public lecture in recognition of GIS Day.
Sabbaticals are intended to provide time to expand your knowledge and experience through concentrated research, travel and new experiences and mine didn’t disappoint!

It started with a bang, a trip to Australia in summer 2009 to attend the International Association of Geomorphologists Congress in Melbourne, followed by an eight-day field trip into the outback and a few days in Sydney. This was my first trip to Australia – a big omission for a geomorphologist. I gave a paper on my research on the Sprague River in Klamath County, Oregon. On the field trip through portions of the Murray-Darling basin and the Lake Eyre basin, we visited the Flinders Range, Innamincka, and Lake Mungo. I was able to see the anabranching river, playas, dunes, and terminal lakes that I had taught about in GEOG 4/522: Arid Geomorphology and GEOG 4/527: Fluvial Geomorphology. My understanding of these features was transformed. No matter how much of the published research you have read, seeing it in person with the researchers who have done the work gives a deeper understanding.

In November 2009, Bart and I travelled to Britain for a month, plus a week-long vacation in Rome. I visited and gave a talk (again on the Sprague River) at University of Wales-Aberystwyth, and also visited colleagues at University of Southampton. At both of these places, the Geography Department is very strong in fluvial geomorphology. It was interesting to interact with these two groups and see how they have organized their courses and research groups.

In spring 2010, Bart and I returned to Australia for a five week visit. We spent most of this time in Sydney. I was a visiting faculty member in the Environmental Sciences unit of Macquarie University, where I gave a talk, participated on field trips, and interacted with the geomorphologists. While I did not get back to the Australian desert, I explored geomorphology of the Sydney basin and its rivers, the Blue Mountains, and the Sydney coastline.

In summers 2009 and 2010, I did several weeks of field work each year on the Middle Fork John Day River, ably assisted by graduate students Didi Martinez, Pollyanna Lind, Jessica Phelps, Stephanie Michaelson-Correa, Denise Tu, Amanda Reinholdt, and undergraduates Bryan Wardlow and Maggie Drews. The Middle Fork is a beautiful river in the Blue Mountains of northeastern Oregon. This research project is supported by the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board and the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation. We are evaluating restoration projects done on the river to improve habitat for steelhead, Chinook salmon, bull trout, and other species. Our goal is to determine whether these projects are really effective at improving habitat.

I finished up my work with the National Research Council Committee on Missouri River Recovery and Associated Sediment Management Issues. Our thirteen-person committee was charged with addressing problems related to sediment management as the U.S. Corps of Engineers does river restoration work on the Missouri River. The Big Muddy is sediment-starved due to upstream dams, and there are effects along the river and all the way downstream to the Mississippi delta and Louisiana coast. Our final report was published by the National Academies Press in summer 2010. I also completed a major analysis of our three years of data collection on the Sprague River geomorphology project, a collaborative project with the U.S. Geological Survey Portland office. This was the basis of papers I gave in Australia, Wales, and at several academic meetings in the U.S.

I continued my volunteer work with the Long Tom Watershed Council, the Middle Fork Willamette River Watershed Council, the McKenzie River Trust, and the Middle Fork John Day Intensively Monitored Watershed Committee. All of these experiences give me insight into issues with planning and implementing river management that greatly enriches my courses.
Leslie McLees recently returned from her field research in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, where she conducted a study on urban development and the use of space in cities of the global south. Her project was funded through a National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant and a fellowship from the SYLFF foundation. Her project focused on open-space farms in Dar es Salaam, where thousands of farmers grow vegetables that provide a majority of the greens for city dwellers. Her research examined how agriculture is ‘urban’ and how it is incorporated into ideas about how cities in developing countries should look. She completed over eighty interviews with urban farmers, carried out mental mapping exercises with twenty farmers and conducted four photo voice projects in which farmers were provided disposable cameras to allow them to frame everyday activities. The farmers provided captions to the pictures and used them in focus groups to discuss the ways people use urban farms everyday. Leslie was affiliated with a Canadian NGO, the Sustainable Cities PLUS Network, which works on facilitating land tenure rights for farmers in Dar es Salaam. She was involved in discussions with farmers, agriculture extension agents, planners and ministry officials about ways to legally incorporate this vital land use, and gave a presentation in Swahili about how various cities around the world are legalizing and supporting urban agriculture. She also helped start an urban food network that brings together farmers, ranchers, composters and others involved in urban food production to better coordinate their activities and learn from each other to create a more unified voice on urban food concerns. Leslie also received the University of Oregon Public Impact Fellowship for her involvement in urban food issues.

Funded through an international research fellowship from the SYLFF Foundation, Pollyanna Lind is currently working in Costa Rica during fall term 2010 to establish her dissertation research project on tropical rivers. The dissertation, Geomorphology and sediment dynamics of the Rio Pacuare and other selected rivers of eastern Costa Rica, will combine extensive field data collection, GIS based imagery/data analysis, and hydraulic modeling. To establish an international research project of this scale, Pollyanna is identifying accessible field sites, collaborating with local scientists and agencies, collecting pre-existing data from various sources, and expanding her Spanish language skills: all of which will be used to secure the additional funding necessary to accomplish the research goals. To accomplish the first stages of the dissertation project, Pollyanna is based near the Rio Pacuare in the town of Turrialba. The town is in a fertile valley located in the volcanically active Talamanca Mountains of central Costa Rica. The Rio Pacuare and other similar rivers in the area flow through the steeply eroded valleys of the Talamanca and then across an alluvial plane before eventually reaching the Caribbean Sea. They are hydraulically dynamic systems driven by tropical precipitation events that transport massive quantities of sediment annually. Deciphering all of the geomorphic components of these systems and the appropriate methods for measuring them keeps our PhD student excited and challenged on a daily basis.
### Faculty Updates

**Dan Gavin** had a busy schedule of teaching, meetings, guest lecturing, playing with son Leo, and moving across town. He also had a great field season with grad students Erin Herring and Dave Fisher collecting sediments that they hope will reveal the ice-age history of some spectacular places in the Clearwater Mountains of Idaho.

![Dan coring in Star Meadows in Idaho County, Idaho.](image)

**Derrick Hindery** co-authored an article comparing the effects of neoliberal and post-neoliberal land-use policies on forest cover along the Bi-oceanic Corridor of southeastern Bolivia to determine if rates of agriculturally driven forest clearance changed since the Morales administration came to office in 2005. Satellite image analysis, supported by semi-structured interviews with farmers and representatives of key institutions, shows that deforestation for commercial agriculture in Santa Cruz continues and has increased in certain "hotspots". Along the same lines, Derrick co-chaired two AAG conference sessions on the so-called "leftward turn" and implications for communities and the environment in Latin America in Spring 2010. He also completed a book chapter for a volume to be published by University of Texas Press on subterranean political ecology, edited by Anthony Bebbington (Clark University) and Jeff Bury (UC Santa Cruz). The chapter is titled "Synergistic impacts of gas and mining development in Bolivia’s Chiquitania: the significance of analytical scale."

**Jim Meacham’s** role as Cartographic Editor on the Atlas of Yellowstone has been his primary research activity this past year. Senior Editor, Andrew Marcus, and Jim just signed an agreement with the University of California Press for the atlas’ publication, and the cartographic production in the InfoGraphics Lab has ramped up to meet a looming deadline at the end of this academic year and a spring 2012 publication date.

![Jim in the field, Lamar Valley, Yellowstone National Park.](image)

**Jim in the field, Lamar Valley, Yellowstone National Park.**

This Fall, Jim was a keynote speaker at the University of Wyoming and Colorado State University for GIS Day and Geography Awareness Week, and gave an invited presentation at National Geographic in Washington D.C. These talks highlighted his atlas work, including work on the Mongolian Altai, Yellowstone National Park, (Clark University) and Jeff Bury (UC Santa Cruz). The chapter is titled “Synergistic impacts of gas and mining development in Bolivia’s Chiquitania: the significance of analytical scale.”

**Jim Meacham** gave the opening plenary address at the meeting of the Commission on Political Geography of the International Geographical Union in Be’er Sheva, Israel, in July 2010. The address looked at the continued impact of traditional territorial ideas and arrangements in an increasingly interconnected world. Alec also oversaw the completion of a study of the National Research Council (of the National Academy of Sciences) outlining “Strategic Directions for the Geographical Sciences.” The report based on the study, entitled *Understanding the Changing Planet*, was issued this past summer and is already in wide circulation in Washington, DC, and beyond.

In August, Alec co-chaired a major international conference in Guangzhou on the geographic implications of the rise of China, and then went on to Beijing to present the National Research Council report to the Chinese National Academy of Science (a Chinese translation is in the works); and, in September, Alec held a short-term visiting fellowship in the Department of Geography at the University of Durham, where he also participated in a workshop assessing the contributions of the Swiss political geographer Claude Raffestin. Papers from the workshop will appear in a forthcoming issue of *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*.

**Susan Hardwick** continues her work on the geographies of immigration and education in her first year of retirement. Her most recent publication, "Education and National Identity in a Comparative Context" was published in the journal, National Identities, and co-authored by our own Rebecca Marcus and Marissa Issak.

Susan is currently working on a book that documents and analyzes the experiences and patterns of US immigrants in Canada from the Vietnam War years to the present day - and a second edited volume on the patterns, experiences, and life histories of Canadian geographers in the US and American geography faculty in Canada (with Remy Tremblay, University of Quebec). This book features the use of the "autobiographical method in geography" - a topic Susan hopes to incorporate into a 4/510 class on ge-ethnographic approaches in our field in the years to come.

Susan will also be on the road this year with plans to lecture on a private jet trip to Eastern Europe, North Africa, and western Asia for the American Geographical Society this spring. She and Tom Ptak also pre-
Faculty Updates (continued)

Amy Lobben continues to run the Spatial and Map Cognition Research Lab (SMCRL). Currently four graduate students work with her in the lab assisting with research on several federally-funded projects. Funded by the National Institutes of Health (the National Eye Institute) and National Science Foundation, the team is investigating behavioral and neurological correlates of map use and spatial thinking. They hope to uncover connections between map use performance and neurological patterns. In addition, the team is working with a group in Computer and Information Science (led by Michal Young) to create a landscape interface for a minimal Geographic Information System (mGIS). We will use that mGIS to enhance spatial thinking skills for students and adults who are blind or low vision. Finally, another SMCRL group is working on developing, testing, and delivering a manual and tutorial to accompany recently released software for the production of tactile maps. Both the delivery of the materials and the development of the software we also funded by the National Science Foundation.

Peter Walker completed a book manuscript (co-authored with UO Geography Ph.D. Patrick Hurley) called Planning Paradise on the tumultuous history and politics of Oregon's celebrated statewide land use planning program (with University of Arizona Press). It's very important for everyone to know the book will be available for PURCHASE in April! Peter was also elected chair of the Association of American Geographers specialty group in Cultural and Political Ecology.

Xiaoobo Su has two manuscripts in press in the Journal of Contemporary China and International Journal of Regional and Urban Studies, respectively.

Xiaoobo also played a critical role in building a partnership with Sun Yat-sen University in order to co-organize the international conference "China and the Future of Human Geography" in Guangzhou, August 2010. Thanks in large part to Xiaobo’s efforts, the conference was a great success!

Lise Nelson spent the summer doing National Science Foundation-funded fieldwork in Clayton, Georgia and Steamboat Springs, Colorado, with the assistance of doctoral student Laurie Trautman. Their research examines the arrival of low-wage Latino workers in rural U.S. amenity destinations—places that have attracted a growing number of wealthy domestic migrants seeking to live in a rural place characterized by natural beauty and outdoor recreation opportunities. Their work explores labor market dynamics in these areas, as well as questions of social interaction and belonging marked by race, class and ‘illegality.’

In spring of 2010 Lise taught a new graduate seminar, North South Geographies, which examined key texts and debates in critical development studies. Graduate student advisees of Professor Nelson won a range of UO competitive research and writing fellowships in 2010, including Ingrid Nelson, CSWS (Center for the Study of Women and Society) Dissertation Writing Fellowship 2010-2011; René Kladyz, Sasakawa International Research Fellowship, and two summer research awards from CLLAS (Center for Latino/a and Latin American Studies) and CSWS; and Lindsay Naylor, two summer research awards from CLLAS and CODAC (Center on Diversity and Community).

Pat Bartlein spent a good portion of the last year traveling. He made two trips to the UK to work on a multi-authored synthesis of reconstructions of past climates, (just released) and is being used to evaluate the same climate models that are being run to project future climate change. He also made two trips to Australia: one to the Intl. Geomorphology Congress, featuring the great Outback field trip (see Faculty Sabbaticals) and one to work with longtime collaborator Sandy Harrison on general paleoclimate issues. Bart also continued working with his OSU/USGS collaborators on abrupt climate change reconstructions and explanations and with various collaborators on the global paleofire record.

Dan Buck has spent much of his time recently on researching and writing about industrial restructuring and the global paleofire record. Dan Buck has spent much of his time recently on researching and writing about industrial restructuring and the global paleofire record. Dan Buck has spent much of his time recently on researching and writing about industrial restructuring and the global paleofire record. Dan Buck has spent much of his time recently on researching and writing about industrial restructuring and the global paleofire record.
The Bill Loy Award for Excellence in Cartographic Design and Geographic Visualization is given annually to a deserving graduate or undergraduate geography student at the University of Oregon. Along with a cartographic submission, student entrants must submit statements explaining the significance of their design that clearly articulates their role in developing the product.

“The Fall and Reconstruction of Former Yugoslavia” submitted by Geography Department graduate Julia Giebultowicz and “The Tea Party Protests of 2009: The Politics of “Grassroots” Organization” by Geography Department graduate Patrick Hammons were both winners of the 2010 Bill Loy Award. To see a full-size view of both submissions, please visit http://geography.uoregon.edu/About/Awards
The 2010 Bill Loy Award for Excellence in Cartographic Design and Geographic Visualization (continued)

Honorary Mention: Matthew Derrick, a graduate student in the Geography Department, designed the following map that was given an honorable mention this year. In his submission, Matthew provides a visual explanation for certain aspects of the geo-political relationships between countries in the European Union, Russia and eastern European nations relative to the interdependence of each economy on a particular energy source.

The Codependent Relationship: Europe, Russia and Natural Gas

EUROPE counts on natural gas to fulfill a quarter of its energy needs, of which Russia provides more than 40 percent. In relative terms, Europe’s eastern flank is most dependent on Russian imports; Finland, the Baltic states, Belarus, Slovakia, Serbia, and Bulgaria receive 100 percent of their natural gas from Russia. Ukraine, Poland, the Czech Republic and Hungary are not far behind them. In terms of volume, Germany, Italy and Turkey, along with Ukraine and Belarus, are the biggest consumers of Russian natural gas. The liability of this dependency was evidenced in 2006 and 2009, when Moscow halted gas flows to Europe following pricing disputes with Ukraine, through which most of Russia’s gas flows before reaching Europe. This action, widely interpreted as payback for Ukraine’s attempts to realign itself to the West, has prompted voices from Brussels to diversify Europe’s energy portfolio. But meaningful change could take decades—indeed, less than one-fifth of EU energy is derived from non-hydrocarbon sources.

RUSSIA, although accused of using energy for geopolitical ends, arguably is just as dependent on Europe. All of Russia’s natural gas exports flow west, as do about 80 percent of its oil deliveries. Enjoying a resurgent economy fueled largely by commodities exports, Moscow does not want to jeopardize its partnerships with European capitals. Nonetheless, Russia is preparing for the future by planning eastbound gas pipelines leading to China and the Korean Peninsula. But these proposals, much like the EU’s promises of energy diversification, could take decades to realize. So in the meantime, Russian and European energy rich and the other energy hungry, will carry on a codependent relationship.
The Geography Department welcomes its newest graduate students!

Doug Foster received his BA in International Studies from West Virginia University and an MA in Geography from the University of Delaware. His interests include political geography, ethnic and territorial conflict, and geography in film.

Josef Gordon has BS degrees in Geography and Environmental Studies from the University of Oregon and is currently working toward an MS. Areas of interest include GIS, cartography, mobile mapping, programming, remote sensing, and social theory.

Derek Watkins arrived with a BS (with Honors) in Geography from the University of Southern Mississippi. His interests include identity & ethnicity, material culture & the built environment, and senses of place; cartography and information design.

Christopher Thomas received his BA in Environmental Studies from the University of Oregon, Tacoma. He is currently in the M.A. program studying land use, land access/exclusion dynamics, and conservation in East Africa.

David Fisher received a BA in Environmental Studies from the University of Rochester and studied GIS at the City College of San Francisco. David is interested in applying spatial analysis techniques to the study of climate change and its effects on biodiversity.

Swagata Goswami received her BS in Geography in 2007 and her MS in Geography in 2009, both from the Presidency College in Kolkata, India. Swagata’s primary area of research interest is fluvial geomorphology.

Dylan Brady has a BA in Asian Studies from Whitman College. He lived in China for three years before coming to the UO. His interests include studying Chinese politics, culture, and economics, particularly issues of nationalism, identity and migration.

Thomas Mason holds both a BA and MA from the University of Cambridge and an MS in Environmental Studies from the University of Oregon.
The Lane County Geographical Society (LCGS) held its first meeting of 2010 on October 9th. Twenty-five geographers attended the fall potluck dinner, which was hosted at Professor Dan Gavin's house. LCGS also helped to coordinate Geography Awareness Week events on campus this year. In the year ahead, LCGS will continue to hold meetings each quarter.

Membership in LCGS and attendance at LCGS meetings is open to anyone with an interest in Geography. LCGS is especially interested in increasing participation by undergraduates, community members, and professional geographers from outside of our department. For more information, please contact LCGS president Aquila Flower, aquila@uoregon.edu.

Lane County Geographical Society

Geography Award Winners

BILL LOY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CARTOGRAPHIC DESIGN AND GEOGRAPHIC VISUALIZATION

Julia Giebultowicz: The Fall and Reconstruction of the Former Yugoslavia


GAMMA THETA UPSILON AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN GEOGRAPHY

Rebecca Marcus

TRUSSELL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Lindsay Foreman
Bryan Wardlow

HONORABLE MENTION

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Geordie B. Hicks
John W. Hine*
Gregory N. Howard*
Kerstin L. Lamberson
Heather K. Lee*
Tyson J. Lewis
Rebecca A. Marcus*~p
Irene K. Ontiveros
Jakob H. Pippin
Alayna M. Rasile
Lindsay S. Riddell
Lenka J. Stafl*
Chad L. Tinsley
Anthony S. Williams

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Justin D. Fritz
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