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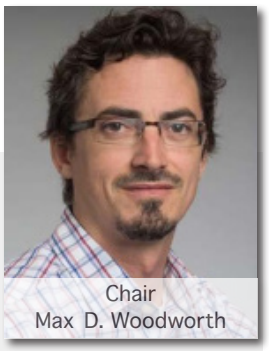

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I hope this newsletter finds everyone well and enjoying the change of seasons. As I'm sure you are all well aware, it is also the season to begin looking ahead to next spring's annual meeting. Calls for Papers are being circulated widely by our members and there are strong signs the upcoming conference will be another interesting and productive one. Please note that the paper abstract deadline of October 30 is right around the corner.

I'd like to take this occasion to restate the central missions of the CGSG: (1) to promote the study of the geography of China; (2) to serve as a clearinghouse for information for people interested in the geography of China; (3) to encourage professional activities including the promotion of collaborations, the carrying out of research activities, and the dissemination of findings to the broader public; and (4) to increase contacts with geographers outside North America who are working on aspects related to China. The CGSG remains one of the largest area-focused specialty groups with roughly 400 current members. This constitutes a large and diverse academic community from which, I believe, we all benefit. In the past year, the Group continued its tradition at the AAG by holding its annual Business Meeting, group dinner, and plenary session. The group's community forum website continues to be a lively and helpful space. We encourage members to check into the site frequently to post and/or search for announcements of conferences, jobs, and other relevant items. You can find the site by going to the AAG's homepage and searching under Specialty Groups.

As we look ahead to the upcoming meeting, and as you organize sessions and panels, I would like to encourage you once to have the CGSG sponsor your events. The CGSG is eager to sponsor as many panels and sessions as possible as a way to boost our visibility at the

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annual meeting and to make sure your events are as well attended as possible. Members who are part of events not specifically focused on China are particularly encouraged to seek CGSG sponsorship.

The more the group's name circulates, the broader our reach. Please visit the AAG's Annual Meeting site (https://www2.aag.org/aagannualmeeting/) to stay on top of impending deadlines.

Student members are specially encouraged to participate in the CGSG's Best Student Paper and Best Illustrated Paper/Poster competitions and to seek the Student Travel Award. Please be on the lookout for emails from the CGSG and CGSG community forum web posts with the relevant details. Faculty members, please urge your students to submit for these awards. Students benefit greatly from the cash and recognition that they bring.

Finally, it is my great pleasure to announce that our annual CGSG Plenary Session talk will be delivered by Dr. Kam Wing Chan of the University of Washington Department of Geography. Dr. Chan is a globally recognized expert in China's population and migration dynamics. I am thrilled that the group will have a chance to hear from him about his latest work at the annual meeting.

On behalf of the CGSG's Executive Committee (myself, Shenjing He, Jiang Xu, and Yangyi Wu), I would like to wish everyone a healthy and productive Fall and Winter. Good luck with the organization of session and panels. Please watch for announcements and visit the community forum frequently. I look forward to another exciting meeting, which will surely arrive with surprising speed.

Sincerely,
Max D. Woodworth

CGSG Annual Student Paper Awards

Eligibility:

Student members of the CGSG at all academic levels (undergraduates or graduate students) are qualified.
The student must be the sole author and presenter of the paper.
Multiple submissions to more than one specialty group for a Student Paper Award is NOT allowed. Papers being considered by other AAG specialty groups for a student Paper Award are not qualified for the CGSG Student Paper Award.
Participants must have submitted the abstract and appropriate program participation fee to the AAG for participation at the AAG Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, April 6-10, 2020.

Award:

A $300 prize will be awarded for the best paper, in addition to an award certificate and prepaid lunch at the AAG Awards Banquet.