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CHAIR'S LETTER

The Association of American Geographers celebrated its 100th anniversary at the Philadelphia annual conference. When reading the timeline of our China Geography Specialty Group, I found that our group should have celebrated its 30th anniversary last year in the New Orleans meeting. In 1973, the Committee on Chinese Geography (CCG) was established within the AAG structure, and Prof. Rhoads Murphey of the University of Michigan was elected by a small group of interested participants to serve as the committee chair, though the China Geography Specialty Group was officially established in 1976 with Professor Larry Ma as its first Chair (we still have the chance to celebrate in 2006!). Through the efforts of our members, China geography has become a burgeoning field in Geography. Our members have been very active and productive and I believe all of us are proud of being part of the group!

China's social and economic landscapes have dramatically changed during the last two decades. Meanwhile, more and more Chinese overseas students have started their academic careers in Western countries. As such, we observe more and more people are interested in and working on China studies: this can be observed through the numerous sessions we organize every year in the annual AAG meetings and increasing number of special issues devoted to China studies in mainstream journals.

However, the China Geography Specialty Group needs to address one issue, which I think is of imperative importance for its future development: integration with other specialty groups. On the one hand, we can see that that our Group is becoming an increasingly Chinese group, and non-Chinese original people are getting fewer and fewer. On the other hand, we observe that many mainstream geographers are unaware of the progress made in our group. We need to reach out and have our group more integrated with others. I propose to have our sessions at the AAG meeting integrated with sessions from other groups. We have started the efforts this year: Yehua Wei, Qihao Weng, Shuguang Wang, Roger C. K. Chan and I together have organized sessions "Changing Economic Geography of Developing Countries in the Globalization Era"

along with Economic Geography Specialty Group, Asian Geography Specialty Group, and Regional Development Specialty Group. We have pretty successful this year and have seven sessions in total. I also hope all our members will continue the efforts in the future and make our group more successful! **Yifei Sun**

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THE CGSG TIMELINE

The Timeline was prepared in response to a request from the AAG Central Office. The purpose is to present a record of the activities that CGSG initiated and the contributions that members have made in promoting the study of China geography since the group's inception. We thank those of our members who have provided us with valuable information for the Timeline. There are still many gaps in the record, and so we hope members will continue to send us information from the past, as well as keep us updated on recent achievements and contributions.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

According to the AAG Central Office, the latest count of our membership is 217. If you join AAG as an associate member and pay your AAG dues through a different organization (such as CAG, IGA, RGS/IBG, GTU, and IGU), please print, fill and fax the attached membership form to the AAG Office. (Electronic submission is discouraged for security reasons.) Membership due is \$5. AAG accepts both Visa/MasterCard. Student membership is free. By joining CGSG, students become eligible for the Best Student Paper Award and the Travel Award.

CGSG-SPONSORED SESSIONS AT THE 2005 DENVER AAG MEETING

Changing Economic Geography of Developing Countries I: Industrial Changes

Organizers: Yifei Sun and Shuguang Wang

Chair: Wolfgang Hoeschele

Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asia Geography Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group

Waquar Ahmed, Clark University

India's Economic Transition: Exogenous Influences and Endogenous Contradictions

Shuguang Wang, Ryerson University
The Emerging Retail Hierarchy in Shanghai and the Role of Shopping Centers

James T. Murphy, University of Richmond, VA
Neo-liberal reform, socio-economic space, and endogenous industrial development in the Global South: Assessing the potential of Bolivia and Tanzania's manufacturing sectors

Jintao Lu, University of California Los Angeles
The Spatial Difference between Overseas Chinese and Non-Chinese Investments in China

Wolfgang Hoeschele, Truman State University
The Changing International Division of Labor, 1980-2000: Emergence of the Partially Industrialized, Manufactures Exporters

Changing Economic Geography of Developing Countries II: Economic Restructuring in China

Organizer: Yifei Sun and Dennis Wei

Chair: Hongmian Gong, Hunter College, City University of New York

Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asia Geography Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group

Yehua Wei, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee
Dynamics of the Core-Periphery Structure: Wenzhou Model and Regional Development in Zhejiang Province, China

Danny Wang, The University of Hong Kong
Emerging "Headquarters Economy" and Hyper-Service Hubs in China

Crison Shih-Shen Chien, London School of Economics and Political Science
Isomorphism of Decentralization: China vis-à-vis Europe

Terry Cannon, University of Greenwich
China and the spatial economy of the reforms: Topocracy and the Local Developmental State

Clif Pannell, University of Georgia.
Forces for Change in China's Economic Growth

Changing Economic Geography of Developing Countries III: Technology and Innovation I

Organizer: Yifei Sun and Roger C. K. Chan

Chair: Yifei Sun

Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asia Geography Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group

Jinn-Yuh Hsu, National Taiwan University
Leveraging Applied Research and Technological Development among East Asian Firms

Rajrani Kalra, Kent State University
High Technology and Urban Development in India: A Case study of Bangalore.

Weiping Wu, Virginia Commonwealth University
Development of a Local Innovation System and University-Industry Linkages in Shanghai

Roger C. K. Chan, The University of Hong Kong
Hi-Tech Industrial Firms in Shanghai: Business Environment and Institutional Framework

Discussant: Susan Walcott

Changing Economic Geography of Developing Countries IV: Technology and Innovation II

Organizers: Yifei Sun and Yehua Dennis Wei

Chair: Susan Walcott

Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asia Geography Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group

Melanie Feakins, University of South Carolina
Offshore Outsourcing of Software Production to Russian firms

Chia-Ho Ching, National Taiwan University
Trans-border Production Network and Technology Learning: the Case of Taiwanese and Chinese Software Industry

Jun Zhang, University of Minnesota
Venture Capital, Stock Market and the Uneven Spatial Development of Internet Industry in China

Becky P.Y. Loo, The University of Hong Kong
The Spatial Patterns of Internet Consumption and Production in China

Susan M. Walcott, Georgia State University
The Tail of the Dragon: Developing Western China through High Tech Clusters

Changing Economic Geography of Developing Countries V: Cities and Economy in Transitional States

Organizers: Yifei Sun and C. K. Chan

Chair: Roger C K Chan

Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asia Geography Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group

Piper Gaubatz, University of Massachusetts
Globalization, Urban Planning and Development, and China's "Go West" Campaign

Fiona F. Yang, The University of Hong Kong
Economic Tertiarization and Urban Reformation in Globalizing China: the Case of Guangzhou

Chun Yang, The University of Hong Kong
The Politics of City-Region Governance in China: A Case of the Proposed Cross-boundary Bridge in the Greater Pearl River Delta

Xiaobin Zhao, The University of Hong Kong
Urbanization Process and Economic Development in the Post-reform China: A Reappraisal

Andrew Ryder, University of Portsmouth UK
Central-east European cities after communism: changes since 1989

Changing Economic Geography of Developing Countries VI: China Geography Specialty Group Student Paper Competition

Organizer: Yifei Sun and Shuguang Wang

Chair: Shuguang Wang

Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asia Geography Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group

Guillaume Neault, Queens University, Canada
The social construction of land use planning in the People's Republic of China: A critical examination of Socialist land development. 1949-1978

Jiangping Zhou, University of Illinois at Chicago
Stakeholder Conflicts in Recent Inner-city Redevelopment in China: Are there some roles for the Planner to play?

Shenjing He, University of Southampton, UK
The Changing Rationale and Interest Distribution of Urban Redevelopment in Shanghai

Pow Choon Piew, University of California Los Angeles
Gated Communities, Territoriality and (Post-) Socialist Urbanism in Shanghai

Limei Li, Hong Kong Baptist University
Exploring a New Change of Urban Residential Differentiation in China's Transition to a Housing Market: Case Study on Panyu, Guangzhou

Changing Economic Geography of Developing Countries VII: Land Use and Environmental Changes

Organizers: Yifei Sun and Qihao Weng

Chair: Qihao Weng

Sponsored by China Specialty Group, Asia Geography Specialty Group, Economic Geography Specialty Group

Jun Luo and Yehua Dennis Wei, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
Spatial patterns and determinants of urban land values in Nanjing, China

Yichun Xie, Eastern Michigan University
CA/ABM Modeling of Paddy Field Conversion - A Case Study in China.

Honglin Xiao, Elon University
The Impact of Human Activities on Karst Landforms at Guizhou, China from 1991 to 2001

Qihao Weng, Indiana State University
Urban Air Pollution Patterns, Land Use, and Thermal Landscape: An Examination of the Linkage Using GIS

Rural China I: Agriculture and Development

Organizer: Stanley Toops

Chair: Cindy Fan

Sponsored by: China Specialty Group

Gregory Veeck, *Fruit Farmers in Shandong, China: A Survey of Farmer's Strategies and Views*

Wei Xu, *Impacts of Agricultural to Forest Land Conversion: A Case of Mountainous Areas in China*

Shuming Bao, *Migration, Urbanization and Regional Development of China*

Stanley Toops, *Xinjiang's Rural Production System and the Production Construction Corps*

Rural China II: Rural China II: Migration and Human Resources

Organizer: Cindy Fan

Chair: Stanley Toops

Sponsored by: China Specialty Group.

Yifei Sun. "A Spatial Strategy for Human Resources in Rural Development: A Case Study of China"

John Zhongdong Ma. Labor migration and socio-demographic transition in China

Cindy Fan. Migrants as agents of change in rural China

Wenfei Winnie Wang. Why do women return? A study of return migration in Sichuan and Anhui, China

Greg Veeck - Discussant

(Re)Emerging Leisure Places and Spaces in Developing Lands

Organizer: Alan A. Lew

Chair: Alan A. Lew

Sponsored by: Recreation, Tourism, and Sport Specialty Group; China Specialty Group

George F. Roberson. *Visualizing Tangier*

Anne K. Soper. *Future Destinations: Mauritian-ness and Tourism*

William Hipwell. *Re-Constructing Nature and Reterritorializing Alishan: Taiwan's Cou Nation and the Making of Danayigu*

Ruei-Suei Sun. *The Production of Local Globalism- The case of "Xin Tian Di" in Shanghai*

Alan A. Lew. *Disneyfying the City: Urban Recreation in Guilin, China*

NEWS FROM MEMBERS

Yifei Sun. He went to China in the summer working on his NSF sponsored project on MNC R&D in China. He has conducted interviews with around 40 MNC R&D labs directors/managers in Beijing, Shanghai, and Nanjing, while working as a visiting professor at the Institute of Science and Management, Chinese Academy of Sciences in Beijing. Meanwhile, he attended two conferences in Chengdu and Shanghai and presented his paper on the issue of human resources in rural China. His recent publications include "Strategic or tactical? Foreign research and development in developing countries, a case study of China." *Asian Geographer*, 22 (1&2):143-167, "Geographic Patterns of Industrial Innovation in China." *Tijdschrift Voor Economische en Sociale Geografie*, 94(3):376-389 and "Foreign Patents in China." *World Patent Information*, 25(1): 27-37.

West China Development Conference: Sichuan University in central Chengdu hosted the "Inaugural Conference of the Consortium for Western China Development Studies" from June 22-23. The theme "Towards a New Paradigm for developing Western China: Meeting the Challenges of sustainable Development and Globalization" drew over 100 presenters, principally from China and the U.S. Concurrent sessions were held in Chinese or English. **Yifei Sun** and **Susan Walcott**, who presented in the same session, represented American-based China geographers. Economists such as Jeffrey Sachs, Chinese GIS specialists, and government officials were featured. Organization of the consortium and successful launch of the conference – tentatively scheduled to be hosted in Xinjiang next summer – reflected the new importance of western China development and creation of a core group of interacting academic and policy participants.

Kit Salter. I have hundreds of hardbound and good paper bound books on China. I have collected them over the past three decades of interest on and in China. I no longer have the luxury of office space—that space into which one puts endless things as you say, "I'll get to this a little later." I will give—for free—these books to anyone who will a) pay for the ground freight costs to get them to an American address, b) anyone who can give me a letter that I might be able to use for tax purposes—that is, contributing the books free to some not-for-profit library or collection, and c) anyone who is willing to make use of these books in an academic way. I am NOT going to inventory them, but I will box them in firm cardboard boxes and I will ship them by Fed Ex Ground Shipping. My guess is that the cost of the shipping would be somewhere between \$100-300 dollars. The initial cost of these volumes is probably over \$3000 dollars. My focus has long been cultural geography but my China interests spilled across a lot of things and such variety is collected in these dormant volumes. I will box them and get them to Fed Ex but I will (if possible) ship them collect to your address. I will be glad to ship them to the first person who can meet these three terms and sends me note by email. I am now heading to the barn to begin to separate the China volumes from the world of geography books that live out there, too. This offer is for the China related books. **Kit Salter, Tel: 573-634-3748.**

AWARDS

Call for nominations for the CGSG Outstanding Service Award.

CGSG Outstanding Service Award. At its 2003 business meeting, CGSG decided, for the first time, to launch an Outstanding Service Award. This award is presented to the individuals who provided significant services to the China Geography Specialty Group or made important contributions to the advancement of China geography studies. It was also decided that two awards would be issued in 2004 for the inaugural Centennial commemoration. Afterwards, one award will be given each year. Nominations are now welcome and accepted for the 2005

award. Please send your nomination, along with a statement of contributions of the nominee to: Yifei Sun, CGSG Chair, Department of Geography, California State University, yifei.sun@csun.edu before January 10, 2005. **Shuguang Wang**

PUBLICATIONS BY CGSG MEMBERS

Roger Selya.

- 1) George Brown Barbour, 1890-1977, GEOGRAPHERS, Biobibliographical Studies 23, 2004, 14-34. Barbour was a geomorphologist who helped date the Chou Kou tien finds.
- 2) Development and Demographic Change in Taiwan, 1945-1995. Singapore and New Jersey: World Scientific, 2004. [457 pp monograph].

Philippe Foret.

La véritable histoire d'une montagne plus grande que l'Himalaya: Les résultats scientifiques inattendus d'un voyage au Tibet (1906-1908) et la querelle du Transhimalaya (The true story of a mountain bigger than the Himalayas: The unexpected scientific results of a journey to Tibet (1906-1908) and the Transhimalaya controversy). Paris: Editions Breal, 2004. 288 pages. ISBN 2 74 95 0346 9

Translated from the publisher's blurb: *La véritable histoire d'une montagne plus grande que l'Himalaya* relates how the government of British India sent a clandestine survey expedition to early 20th century Tibet. Everybody praised the expedition leader, Dr. Sven Hedin, although the Royal Geographical Society of London rejected the discoveries he made. The author relies on Sven Hedin's archives to introduce this outstanding geographer, and argue that the quarrel on the Transhimalaya contributed to a major shift within geography. Through his comparison of public posturing to private attitudes, Foret shows how geographers reoriented their scientific praxis in a quiet but insistent manner. He moreover questions the medias' responsibility in reating an imaginary mountain within an utopian Tibet. An analysis of today's geography through the lenses of the past, this book reexamines the significance of surveying for the construction of geographical knowledge.

James A. Millward, Ruth W. Dunnell, Mark C. Elliott, Philippe Foret. *New Qing Imperial History: The Making of Inner Asian Empire at Qing Chengde*. London and New York: RoutledgeCurzon, 2004. 246 pages. ISBN 0 415 32006 2

New Qing Imperial History uses the Manchu summer capital of Chengde and associated architecture, art, and ritual activity as the focus for an exploration of the importance of Inner Asia and Tibet to the Qing empire (1636-1911). The contributors argue that the Qing was not simply another Chinese dynasty, but was deeply engaged in Inner Asia not only militarily, but culturally, politically and ideologically. Emphasizing the diverse range of peoples in the Qing empire, this book analyzes the importance to Chinese history of Manchu relations with Tibetan prelates, Mongolian chieftains, and the Turkic elites of Xinjiang. In offering a new appreciation of a culturally and politically complex period, the authors discuss the nature and representation of emperors, especially under Qianlong (r. 1736-1795), and examine the role of ritual in relations with Inner Asia, including the vaunted (but overrated) tribute system.

ANNUAL STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

China Geography Specialty Group AAG Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado Tuesday, April 5 To Saturday, April 9, 2005

The China Geography Specialty Group sponsors an annual award to recognize distinguished student research and paper presentation in a China Geography Specialty Group sponsored session at the annual national meeting.

Eligibility:

The competition is open to students at all academic levels. Candidates may be undergraduates or graduate students. The student must be the sole author and presenter. Participants must have submitted the abstract and appropriate program participation fee to the AAG for participation at the annual meeting.

Award:

A \$250 prize will be awarded for the best paper, in addition to award certificate and prepaid lunch at the AAG Awards Banquet. A Travel Award of \$50 will go to the First Runner-up. A committee of faculty from the China Geography Specialty Group will evaluate the papers. Evaluation criteria for the award include the soundness and creativity of the research design and methodology; validity of conclusions; and quality of the presentation. The award will be announced at the Business Meeting of the China Geography Specialty Group in Denver, and published in the CGSG and AAG newsletters.

Guidelines for Submission:

To be considered for the competition, authors should email a copy of the paper's title and abstract (one page) to the Chair of China Geography Specialty Group and express the intent to participate in the competition by Oct. 10, 2004 and register for the conference. CGSG will include the students' presentations in proper sessions. Include author's name, academic level (undergraduate, master's or doctoral), academic institution, department or program, current address, phone number, and E-MAIL. An electronic version of the full paper, in Word format (no more than 25 pages, double space and 12 point font size), must reach the Chair no later than March 5, 2005.

Questions? Please contact:

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CHINA GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP WEBSITE

Be sure to visit our excellent website at: http://people.uleth.ca/~wei.xu/AAG_China/cgsg.htm

CHINA-RELATED WEBSITES

These web sites were suggested by CGSG members.

China Study Group. <http://www.chinastudygroup.org/index.php?type=about>

Asia Tourism Research. <http://www.geog.nau.edu/igust/asiatour/>

The site was developed by Alan Lew (Northern Arizona University) and contains links to resources for research on tourism, an archived email list, a membership directory, and a list of tourism conferences in Asia.

PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Lecturers in Contemporary Chinese Studies (TWO POSTS)

Submitted by: Dr. Andrew M. Marton

Applications are invited for two posts based in the Institute of Contemporary Chinese Studies. The Institute is leading the development of interdisciplinary research and teaching on contemporary China and plays an important role in the University's wider internationalisation and China strategies.

POST 1: Environmental Studies/Environmental Management

This post will complement the Institute's existing expertise on urban and regional development, the political economy of socio-economic change and international business by undertaking research and research-led teaching on China's environment. The post is available from 1 October or as soon as possible thereafter. Please quote ref. SMM/858L

POST 2: Popular Culture, Media and Society; Communications Studies; Elite Politics; Education
This post will add expertise in one of the areas identified with a strong preference for a specialist in contemporary popular culture, including visual/performing arts, or in the area of communications studies. However, outstanding candidates in other fields are also encouraged to apply. The post is available from 1 January 2005 or as soon as possible thereafter. Please quote ref. SMM/859L

The successful candidates will be responsible for undergraduate and postgraduate teaching on a range of contemporary Chinese Studies courses, and will be required to carry out high quality research and publication. S/he will also be expected to contribute to the administration of the Institute. Candidates must have completed a PhD in a relevant discipline, possess a high level of proficiency in Mandarin Chinese and the ability to interact with colleagues in China. Preference will be given to candidates with teaching experience in a relevant discipline in higher education and a record of publication.

Salary will be within the range £22,954 - £34,838 per annum, depending on qualifications and experience.

Informal enquiries may be addressed to Dr. Andrew Marton, Director, Institute of Contemporary Chinese Studies, tel: 0115 846 6017, fax: 0115 846 6324 or Email: Andrew.Marton@nottingham.ac.uk.

Further details and application forms are available on the WWW at: <http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/hr/vacancies/academic.html> or from the Human Resources Department, Highfield House, The University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham, NG7 2RD. Tel: 0115 951 3262. Fax: 0115 951 5205. Please quote the relevant ref. number. Closing date: 31st August 2004.

Special Issue of *China Review*

Submitted by Yifei Sun

The Editorial Board of the journal *China Review* has agreed to publish a special issue on Science and Technology Development in China. We are interested to getting papers that are related to topics such as high-tech industrial policies, parks and spatial clusters, institutional changes, research and development, transnational connections etc. Papers should relate to the current geographical theoretical debates and ground in updated empirical information, but otherwise are not limited. The deadline for submitting full paper is December 30th, 2004. Possible publication date for the special issue could be Oct. 2005 or Mar. 2006, depending on the review process. If you are interested, please contact either Yu Zhou (yuzhou@vasar.edu) or Yifei Sun (yifei.sun@csun.edu).

CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Border Tourism and Community Development Xishuangbanna, Yunnan, China. July 6-9, 2005

From Alan Lew. Organized by the Tourism Commission of the China Geographical Society and the Tourism Commission of the International Geographical Union. For more information visit: <http://www.geog.nau.edu/igust/China2005> or contact Alan Lew (Northern Arizona University) at Alan.Lew@nau.edu

The 8th Asian Urbanization Conference Kobe, Japan. August 20- 23, 2005

From Shii Okuno. The University of Marketing and Distribution Sciences (UMDS), Kobe. With fieldtrips to Kobe, Osaka, Kyoto, and an optional one to Tokyo. Contact persons for program participation or organization of session(s): Shii Okuno, The University of Marketing and Distribution Sciences (UMDS), Kobe, at Shii_Okuno@red.umds.ac.jp or Tel. +81(0)78-796-4131, Fax. +81(0)78-794-3054, or Toshio Mizuuchi, Osaka City University, at mizuuchi@lit.osaka-cu.ac.jp or Tel./Fax +81(0)6-6605-2406.

Call For Papers. Themes: Theoretical or empirical studies on urban form and process, population change or migration, production or consumption, market or commercial system, quality of life, rural-urban relationships or disparities, social injustice, urban culture, urban governance, sustainable development, city marketing, application of geographic information system, of Asian region, or international comparison on urbanization, which contribute to the understanding of the characteristics and complexities of Asian urbanization are welcome.

Deadline for registration: April 30, 2005. Deadline for submitting abstract: April 30, 2005.

Travel Award. Two travel awards are available to young scholars (Ph.D. students or young researchers below the age of 35) on competitive basis. Applicants for the travel award should send in the abstracts before Feb. 28, 2005 and full papers before April 30, 2005 by e-mail to Shii Okuno, and by airmail two copies reaching his office. Results will be announced by June 15.

See you all in Denver!



source: http://online.sfsu.edu/~kroll/comics/china_mutiple.html