

Rutgers Geography: 60 Years!

In 1949, Geography was established as a separate department in the College of Arts and Sciences. In its inaugural year, the department had eleven majors and an undergraduate geography club with 20 members. Within six years, the department began offering a masters program. The doctoral program began in 1964.

Sixty years—and hundreds of graduate students (and thousands of undergraduate majors and minors)—later, the department continues to boast some of the brightest, most accomplished students.

This year, as we celebrate our 60th anniversary, we also congratulate our recent degree recipients, **Gwangyong Choi, Cheryl Gowar, Adam Pine and Claudia Villegas**, and our recent MA/MS recipients, **Margo Andrews, Richard Nisa and Adam Steinberg**.

Record Number of Grants in 2008

Laura Schneider was the recipient of a Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation grant for researching forest resiliency in the Yucatan following hurricanes.

Kevin St. Martin received a grant from the Packard Foundation to develop a computer-based tool to automate mapping the at-sea domains of fishing communities.

Dave Robinson received two NOAA grants to continue investigations of hemispheric snow cover and US snow storms. Two other grants have been awarded by NOAA and NASA to produce climate data records of snow cover. The NJ Office of Emergency Management awarded money for tracking and interpreting NJ's weather and the NJ Dept of Transportation awarded funds for a state weather decision support system.

Trevor Birkenholtz has been awarded an Office of Research and Sponsored Programs Research Council Grant for "Groundwater Governance and Social Institutions in Rajasthan India and an SAS Global Opportunity Award for "Groundwater Irrigation Expansion and Technologies of Rule in Colonial and Contemporary India."

Geography Newsletter

David Robinson, Department Chair • Robin Leichenko, Graduate Director • Roger Balm, Undergraduate Director • Michelle Martel, IT • Mike Siegel, Cartographer • Betty Ann Abbatemarco, Administration • Theresa Kirby, Administration & Newsletter Editor



250 Future Geographers. Middle schoolers from Scotch Plains-Fanwood visited on April 3, 2008. Geography faculty & grad students presented on topics like NJ geography, cartography, climate change, immigration, visual geography, water resources, hazards and other topics. The outreach program was also assisted by the Ofc of Instructional & Research Technologies, the Livingston Deans Ofc & the RU Football Program!

2008 Third MaGrann Conference Land-Use Transitions in the Tropics

More than 20 presenters arrived on campus from around the world for the 2008 **MaGrann Conference**. Columbia University hosted the first day of the conference (March 26). Rutgers Cook Campus Center was the venue for the final days (March 27 & 28). The event was coordinated by **Laura Schneider** (Rutgers), **Tom Rudel** (Rutgers), and **Maria Uriarte** (Columbia).

Funded through seed money from Rutgers Geography Alumnus **Mark A. MaGrann**, the MaGrann Conference is an annual or biennial forum for global environment and development scholars.

This year's conference was also supported by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, the Department of Human Ecology, Rutgers, the ADVANCE Program, Columbia University and Latin American Studies, Rutgers.

Previous MaGrann Conferences at Rutgers include *Political Ecology at Home* (2003) *Environmental Justice Abroad* (2004) and *Future of Disasters in a Globalizing World* (2006). The fifth conference, *Climate Change in South Asia*, will be held in April 2009.

Notable Appointments & Awards!

- **Robert Hordon** has been invited by the President of the American Institute of Hydrology (AIH), a national non-profit scientific and educational organization that offers certification to professionals in all fields of hydrology, to join its Examination Committee.
 - **Robin Leichenko** has been named to the New York City Panel on Climate Change (www.nyc.gov)
 - **Joanna Regulska** has been appointed Dean of International Programs for the School of Arts and Sciences. The Office of International Programs is sponsoring a year-long series of events commemorating the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. (See "New & Noteworthy" <http://sasip.rutgers.edu/>)
 - **David Robinson** was a Member of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change team that shared the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize. He received the 2008 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Environmental Hero Award for volunteer work with NOAA and service to the climate profession. He was also awarded the **2008 Lifetime Achievement Award** from the Climate Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers
 - **Kevin St. Martin** has been awarded tenure and promotion to Associate Professor in the Department of Geography.
 - **Rick Schroeder** has been appointed Associate Director of the Center for African Studies.
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Andrew Hill Clark Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship

Barbara Havrillay and **Catherine Dusault** were presented the Andrew Hill Clark Award for outstanding undergraduate scholarship.

The prize is named for the department's first faculty member and chair, Andrew H. Clark, appointed in 1946. It has been awarded annually since 1975 as the department's acknowledgment of outstanding undergraduate work in the major.

Recipients are selected by the geography faculty based on student scholarship.



Barbara Havrillay & Catherine Dusault, receive 2008 Clark Award from **Roger Balm**, Undergrad Director, and **Dave Robinson**, Dept Chair

Recent Faculty Publications and Professional Activities

Roger Balm

- Forthcoming, "Discovery as Autobiography" *Terrae Incognitae*.
- Fall 2008, working on field drawings of Inca and pre-Inca architecture in Bolivia and Peru.
- June 2008, participated in Courtauld Institute (London) summer course on early 20th-century modernism.

Trevor Birkenholtz

- Forthcoming 2009, "Irrigated Landscapes, Produced Scarcity, and Adaptive Social Institutions in Rajasthan, India," *The Annals of the Association of American Geographers*.
- 2008, "Contesting Expertise: The Politics of Environmental Knowledge in Northern Indian Groundwater Practices," *Geoforum*.
- 2008, "'Environmentality' in Rajasthan's Groundwater Sector: Divergent Environmental Knowledges and Subjectivities," *Contentious Geographies: Environment, Meaning, Scale*, Aldershot, Ashgate Press.

Robin Leichenko

- Forthcoming, (& K. O'Brien) "Mapping Double Exposure to Climate Change and Trade Liberalization as An Awareness Raising Tool," in *Environmental Vulnerability Assessment for Policy and Decision-Making*. Earthscan.
- 2008, (& K. O'Brien). *Environmental Change and Globalization: Double Exposure*, Oxford UP.
- 2008, (& W. Solecki) "Consumption, Inequity, and Environmental Justice: The Making of New Metropolitan Landscapes in Developing Countries," *Society and Natural Resources*.

James Mitchell

- Forthcoming "Natural Hazards," in *Mapping New Jersey: An Evolving Landscape*, Rutgers UP.
- Forthcoming, *Natural Hazards of New Jersey*, (working title), New Brunswick: Rutgers UP.
- Forthcoming, "Changing Human Dimensions of New Jersey's Natural Hazards and Disasters during the 20th Century," *Natural Disasters, Cultural Responses: A World History*, Lexington Books and the German Historical Institute.
- 2008, "Perspectives on Alternatives: Differentiation and Integration in Pursuit of a Better Fit between Society and Nature," in the mini-forum on the contributions of Gilbert F. White, *Progress in Human Geography*.

From the Department Chair...

Another busy year for the Geography Department's faculty, students and staff!

Our undergraduate program continues on its strong course, and the caliber and number of undergrads remains impressive, according to our Undergraduate Director, **Roger Balm**. Roger's report is included within.

Graduate accolades were many this year and details are included in **Robin Leichenko's** Graduate Director report. Particularly exciting is the number of incoming students who are partially or fully funded by external grants and/or graduate assistantships with faculty members.

Congratulations to recent PhD recipients and welcome to an excellent group of new grad students this past fall have an equally strong group joining us this year.

The third annual **MaGrann Conference** was held in March 2008. The conference, *Land-Use Transitions in the Tropics*, had more than 20 presenters arriving on campus from around the world. This ambitious conference was coordinated by **Laura Schneider, Tom Rudel** and **Maria Uriarte** (Columbia), with the assistance of grad student **Alexis Buckley**. More information about the conference is included within.

In April, on the Livingston campus, we hosted over 200 Fifth graders from Terrill Middle School in Scotch Plains, creating our own "NJ Roots, Global Reach" program for future geographers! We also worked with the Office of Instructional and Research Technologies to present some virtual weather scenarios.

This year, our faculty added several more grants to our list of research funding and **Kevin St. Martin** has been awarded tenure and promotion to Associate Professor. Congratulations to Kevin for his impressive research, writing, teaching and university involvement culminating in his promotion!

As always many thanks to our entire staff--**Betty Ann Abbatemarco, Theresa Kirby, Michele Martel** and **Mike Siegel** --for their commitment to creating a pleasant and smooth running operation.

Best wishes for a productive new year!

Dave Robinson

From the Undergraduate Director...

Our graduating seniors this past May totaled 31 (13 majors and 18 minors) and our graduating geography majors had an average cumulative GPA of just under 3.00 (2.98). Behind these basic numbers are some exceptionally fine students and, as usual at this time in the academic year, we are sorry to see them go but also confident that they will be moving on into careers or on to graduate education with a strong set of skills and as effective ambassadors for the undergraduate program.

From the Graduate Director...

It has been an excellent year for the Geography graduate program. With this 2008-09 academic year, there are over 55 students currently enrolled. In addition to a collection of impressive students already in the program, the incoming cohort looks to be another group with strong credentials and tremendous promise.

Among the incoming group of graduate students, several are funded through grants either in association with a faculty grant providing graduate assistantships or via external funding such as the Fulbright. These additional funding opportunities allow more students to take advantage of the Rutgers geography program and broaden the areas of scholarship represented.

Among our current students, this year was a banner year for recognition and accolades. To our recent PhD recipients, **Gwangyong Choi, Cheryl Gowar, Adam Pine** and **Claudia Villegas**, our congratulations and best wishes for continued success. We also congratulate our recent MA/MS recipients, **Margo Andrews, Richard Nisa** and **Adam Steinberg** and look forward to your continued progress towards your PhDs.

Faculty News

Joanna Regulska writes:

In February, I was in Tajikistan and Moldova, helping to select PhD finalists for the new Open Society Institute supported initiative charged with bringing young scholars to the US and Canada to study.

In May, I was in Sweden as a visiting scholar at Södertörns University College where I lectured and conducted seminars. While there, I also participated in conferences and workshops, among them one that explored mental and cultural "borders" between East Europeans from West Europeans ("From Borders in Space to Borders in the Mind,").

In June, I was in Poland briefly attending the PhD defense of my student from Turkey and then continued my fieldwork in Georgia (funded by an NSF grant) addressing internally displaced persons. Peter Kabachnik, a Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Center for European Studies and the Department of Geography joined me in Tbilisi.

My co-authored book *Conflict or Cooperation: The State, the European Union and Women*, will be released in Poland this summer. The book is based on my previous NSF-funded research on the European Union and the ways through which women construct supranational political space in Poland and the Czech Republic. Several book chapters on the EU and women were also released this year.

This spring, I was appointed Dean of International Programs of the School of Arts and Sciences. Among my other projects at OIP, I am coordinating a year-long series of activities as part of the 60th anniversary of the

Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Under the theme, "Human Rights: Content and Discontent," we will bring together scholars, politicians, labor organizers, policymakers and artists for a broader look at how human rights are understood, implemented, and violated.. Events associated with this commemoration will take place on all three campuses in Camden, New Brunswick and Newark. (See "New & Noteworthy" at <http://sasip.rutgers.edu/>)

Looking to the coming year, I will be attending conferences in the Ireland, Latvia and the Netherlands and completing my research in Georgia. Beginning July 1, 2009, I will begin serving my term as a member of the Board of Directors of the National Council for Eurasian and East European Research.

Laura Schneider writes:

This year has been extremely busy and exciting! During the fall, I began working on a grant proposal to the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation to support research on the effect of large scale natural disturbances (e.g hurricanes, droughts) to deciduous tropical forest in the southern Yucatán peninsula. In early winter, we were delighted to receive notice of the award of the Moore grant even as we began counting down to the March 2008 MaGrann Conference.

The MaGrann Conference–Land-Use Transitions in the Tropics: Beyond Case Studies–was tremendously successful and many thanks are due to my co-organizers--**Tom Rudel**, Human Ecology, Rutgers, and **Maria Uriarte**, Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Environmental Biology, Columbia University–and **Alexis Buckley**, graduate research assistant from the Department of Geography, Rutgers and **Theresa Kirby** our administrative assistant. Our especial thanks to Mark MaGrann who underwrites a portion of these regular conferences addressing topics in geography and related disciplines. Funding was also supplied by the Betty and Gordon Moore Foundation, Columbia University and Center for Latin American Studies at Rutgers University.



Foremost experts in interdisciplinary perspectives for fields of ecology, economics and geography traveled from different parts of US and the world, mainly from Latin America. The three-day workshop consisted of paper presentations and panel discussion. The papers presented are now under review by the organizers, and will be published in two special issues of *Biotropica* and *Land Use Policy*. The panel discussions will result in a joint publication of

participants and organizers. For the complete program of the conference, please visit geography.rutgers.edu/ and click on "MaGrann Conference 2008."

In weeks both before and after the conference, I was in Mexico for planning sessions associated with our investigation into forest resiliency in Yucatán, and to continue my research on plant invasives. In January, I was fortunate to get some help from **Nelun Fernando**. The international, multi-institutional (Rutgers, El Colegio de la Frontera Sur, University of Virginia, Clark University) grant will investigate ecosystem-level responses to large scale disturbances in the peninsula (i.e., impact on land from local farmers and impact of forest and land damage on local people). The grant also funds the development of programs to educate and guide forest managers at Calakmul and Sian Ka'an Biosphere. The project has a website--EDGY (Environmental Disturbance in Greater Yucatán) to document and illustrate the work underway. (See <http://Geography.rutgers.edu/>)

Dave Robinson writes:

It has been another challenging year taking on my myriad research, teaching, service and administrative responsibilities. As most folks I know seem to be saying these days, I've never put in more hours. Yes, but I continue to enjoy all endeavors immensely.

The Global Snow Lab is supported through a series of research grants, and remains a component of the National Climatic Data Center's Applied Research Center. Over the past year, I have received two NOAA grants to continue investigations of hemispheric snow cover (<http://climate.rutgers.edu/snowcover>) and US snow storms. Two other grants have been awarded by NOAA and NASA to collaborate with colleagues at the universities of Colorado, Nebraska and Georgia and at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center to produce climate data records of snow cover atop northern hemisphere continents, sea ice and the Greenland ice sheet.

New Jersey's weather and climate never fails to keep me busy. The state climate office maintains an active web presence (<http://climate.rutgers.edu/stateclim>). I sit on a number of state environmental committees, and over the past year gave over a dozen presentations around NJ. The NJ Weather and Climate Network continues to grow (<http://climate.rutgers.edu/njwxnet>), and this year has received support from the NJ Department of Environmental Protection, the NJ Office of Emergency Management and the US Forest Service. We are also involved in a winter roadway decision research project with the NJ Institute of Technology and the NJ Department of Transportation.

Finally, in February, we launched the NJ Community Collaborative Rain, Hail and Snow Network (<http://www.cocorahs.org>). This is a team of volunteers, already totaling 150 and growing, who report daily

precipitation via the web, for instant integration and display with the reports of others.

With the evolving organization of the university and severe budget cuts, never has a year of chairing kept me more occupied with meetings and paperwork (yes, I wrote these exact words last year!). I can't thank the department staff and faculty enough for their efforts in keeping our department so very healthy. In addition to department administration, I taught my NJ Geography course last fall and a first year seminar of NJ and climate change this past spring. It was also wonderful to see Dr. Gwangyong Choi complete his dissertation this past fall.

It was extremely rewarding to be part of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change team that shared the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize with Al Gore. My "gold" wrapped chocolate Nobel "medal" sits proudly underneath my computer monitor! (a fun gift received following a presentation I gave this past winter). I was also pleased to be named a 2008 NOAA Environmental Hero for my volunteer service to NOAA and the climate profession, and was humbled to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award of AAG's Climate Specialty Group. These awards each illustrate the wisdom of surrounding oneself with extremely capable colleagues!

Pete Wacker writes:

Three Thrills in 2007: No, for sure it wasn't my second knee surgery in February. But my surgery happened at about the same time as I was hired by Exxon-Mobil to do some research for them and as work on "Mapping New Jersey" began to pick up. (This volume that I coedit with Maxine Lurie; and Mike Siegel as Mapmaker). As I got more mobile, I came to the office almost every day to work on a book(s) about New Jersey's cultural landscapes through about 1820. I continued various other activities, such as serving on the State Review Board for Historic Sites. I also took a "trip" to the small town of Titusville in northwestern Pennsylvania, where the first oil well in the United States was built--a place I'd wanted to visit for years. There is a wonderful museum there virtually overlooked by publicity.

Now for the "thrills." The first is a lecture that I gave in October in the ongoing series on the New Sweden Colony. I was to speak in the "Old Swede's Church" in Swedesboro about Peter Kalm, Carl Linnaeus's favorite student, who had been sent to America to gather the seeds which could be useful in Sweden and Sweden's colony of Finland. Kalm settled in Swedesboro, NJ in the mid-18th century. I began by explaining to the audience that I was unusually suited to be a speaker since I was named after my Swedish grandfather Per Zackariasson and my mother's name was Linnea, named after the blue flower named after Linnaeus - and my granddaughter was named Lucy and she attended the St. Lucy's Day festival at the Swedish Museum in Philadelphia. What's so thrilling about that? My grandchildren were sitting in the first pew listening to me!

My second thrill was in November. My daughter-in-law

was expecting and my son was going to take a month's parental leave. I kidded him and said "where do you think you are - Scandinavia?" They named their daughter Linnea! And holding her was another great thrill!

The third thrill came in early December when I tried to catch up on my old stomping grounds of the Musconetcong Valley. I had written a dissertation on the area years ago and Rutgers Press had published a version and it had won prizes - good way to get tenured! According to the Musconetcong Valley Watershed Association the river was been declared "Wild, Scenic, and Historic" by the U.S. Department of the Interior, largely due to my book! So, a thrilling year!

Rick Schroeder writes:

This past year, I gave a series of invited lectures at the Universities of Kentucky, North Carolina, Kansas, and Maine-Farmington, dealing with my research on gemstone mining by South African multinational firms in Tanzania. I also served a one year appointment as Associate Director of the Center for African Studies, in which capacity I co-organized a conference devoted to the theme: "The Future of White Africa: Reproducing Privilege on a Changing Social Landscape." This summer (2008) I will be working on a book manuscript, tentatively titled: *White Spots: South African Capital, Race and National Sovereignty in Tanzania*. This project analyzes a dramatic restructuring of the African region's economic, social and political geography in the post-apartheid period.

Bob Hordon writes:

I have been invited by the President of the American Institute of Hydrology (AIH), a national non-profit scientific and educational organization that offers certification to professionals in all fields of hydrology, to join its Examination Committee. In recent years, the AIH has discussed the value of certifying a whole new category of technicians who collect hydrologic data used in water resource decision-making. These technicians are responsible for collecting, quality assuring, and compiling the data used in hydrology. There would be separate exams for those that specialize in water quality, surface water, and ground water.

The exam questions are a mix of multiple-choice and problem sets in the fields of the hydrologic sciences. They also include relevant material in quantitative method techniques such as frequency distribution analysis, probability, correlation analysis, and regression analysis.

Suffice it to say that over the years at Rutgers, numerous exam questions have been prepared for the many tests given to both undergraduate and graduate students. That some of the questions may have "another life" outside of Rutgers is intriguing, but the goal of all this *pro bono* work is hopefully to make sure that hydrologists and hydrologic technicians know their fields well enough to become certified.

Graduate Student News

Incoming GGP President, Jim Jeffers, writes:

2007/2008 was another busy and successful year for the Graduate Geographers Project (GGP). The year got off to a good start with a camping trip to Round Valley State Park to welcome our new students.

Alexis Buckley poured lots of time and energy into the organization of our Speaker Series with large crowds attending talks by **Brent Yarnal** of Penn State University and **Arun Agrawal** from the University of Michigan. The conclusion of this year marks the end of an era for the GGP Speaker Series as it was the last year of Alexis' involvement and also the final year of the Speaker Series in its current format. Beginning this Fall, a committee comprised of faculty and graduate students will take over the organization and running of the series, with **Nate Gabriel** and **Lena Woodhouse** serving as our GGP representatives.

At one of our first meetings, the updating of the GGP website was identified as one of our priorities for the year. **Brian Stromberg** and **Rich Nisa** have worked throughout the year developing new ideas and we look forward to starting next year with our new GGP blog, which replaces the old website (<http://ggpblog.rutgers.edu/>). **Kari Burnett** served as our social events organizer during this year and the energy and enthusiasm she brought to this task ensured that a number of very enjoyable events were held during the year including roller skating, a Brooklyn BBQ, bowling, and a movie night.

As usual, a large number of students traveled to the AAG Annual Meeting with this year's event taking place in Boston. Many students presented their work in paper and poster



sessions. The annual Rutgers Geography Party took place at the Summer Shack Restaurant where students, faculty and alumni enjoyed some local seafood delights. Special thanks must go to **Alexis Buckley** for her selection of the party venue. A smaller group of students also traveled to the AAG Middle States Meeting in Reading, PA to present their work in paper sessions. Of course a substantial number of regular GGP meetings were held during the year covering numerous issues. In particular several meetings and email threads were devoted to discussing proposed changes to the structures of the graduate

program. Graduate faculty relied on this feedback when deciding upon important changes to MA/MS and PhD degree requirements.

Wrapping up, special thanks must go to our outgoing officers, President, **Margo Andrews**; Vice President, **Peter Vancura**; Treasurer, **Adam Steinberg**; and Secretary, **Nate Gabriel** for their great work throughout the year. At our final meeting of the year, our new team of officers was elected with **Jim Jeffers** as incoming President, **Brian Stromberg** as Vice President/Secretary and **Samuel Ledermann** as Treasurer.

Computing News

The Department of Geography has developed two computer labs. The computers and equipment are used for geographic instruction and student research. Every year the department receives a portion of the University student computing fees to equip, maintain, and update the labs and borrow-able hardware (laptops, etc.).

Our Teaching Lab (Lucy Stone Hall B266) is equipped with 22 Dell/Windows student computers and one instructor computer that displays its screen onto a 60" screen through a multimedia projector. Recently purchased equipment in the Teaching Lab includes eleven computers with 22" wide screen flat panel displays. Wide screen displays allow students to easily analyze and edit large images such as maps and high resolution aerial photos. The Geography Research Lab (Lucy Stone Hall B235) is equipped with eight Dell/Windows computers and one Apple/Macintosh with video editing software and video digitizing hardware.

Our labs provide students with access to software not found in Rutgers labs. In addition to word processing software, the labs offer ArcGIS for Geographic Information System (GIS) work, Erdas Imagine for remote sensing, Idrisi Andes for GIS and remote sensing, Photoshop for image editing, and Adobe Illustrator for drawing digital maps.

Lab computers must be upgraded frequently to keep current with geographic software requirements. This year's planned upgrade includes twelve new computers and displays for the Teaching Lab. Computers removed from the lab will be recycled into offices within the department to replace older computers. The very oldest, which are more than eight years old, are sent to Rutgers Surplus (a division of Rutgers Property Management), removed from our inventory, and then sold to the public at their store. (For more information about the store call (732) 445-2255.)



David Robinson

- Forthcoming, (& K. E. Kunkel, M. Palecki, L. Ensor, K.G. Hubbard, K. Redmond & D. Easterling) "Trends in 20th Century U.S. Snowfall Using a Quality-Controlled Data Set," *J Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology*, 25.
- Forthcoming, (& D. Hall) "Global Snow Cover," *State of the Earth's Cryosphere at the Beginning of the 21st Century: Glaciers, Global Snow Cover, Floating Ice, and Permafrost and Periglacial Environment*, US Geological Survey.
- 2008, (& D. Yang, H. Ye) "Winter Rain on Snow and Its Association with Air Temperature in Northern Eurasia," *Hydrological Processes*.

Kevin St Martin

- Forthcoming, "Toward a Cartography of the Commons: Constituting the Political and Economic Possibilities of Place," *Professional Geographer*.
- 2008, "Mapping Community Use of Fisheries Resources in the U.S. Northeast," *J of Maps*.
- 2008, (& M. Hall-Arber) "Creating a Place for 'Community' in New England Fisheries," *Human Ecology Review*.
- 2008 (& R. A. Schroeder, B. Wilson, & D. Sen) "Third World Environmental Justice," Introduction to special issue of *Society and Natural Resources*.
- 2008, (& M. Hall-Arber) "The Missing Layer: Geo-technologies, Communities, and Implications for Marine Spatial Planning," *Marine Policy*.

Laura Schneider

- 2008, "Plant Invasions in an Agricultural Frontier: Linking Satellite, Ecological and Household Survey Data," *Land Change Science in the Tropics: Changing Agricultural Landscapes*, Kluwer Publishers.

Richard Schroeder

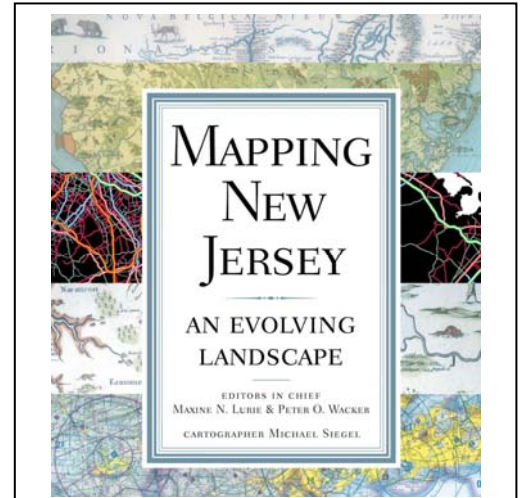
- 2008, "Environmental Justice and the Market: The Politics of Sharing Wildlife Revenues in Tanzania," *Society and Natural Resources* 21.
- 2008, (& K. St. Martin, B. Wilson, & D. Sen) "Third World Environmental Justice," in Introduction to special issue of *Society and Natural Resources*.

Joanna Regulska

- Forthcoming, (& M. Grabowska, M. Fuszara, J. Mizielinska) *Cooperation or Conflict?: State, the European Union and Women*, Wydawnictwa Akademickie i Profesjonalne. (In Polish)
- 2008, "Kształtowanie przestrzeni politycznych przez kobiety na poziomie ponadpaństwowym" (Constructing political spaces by women at the supranational scale) *Kobieta w kulturze i społeczeństwie* (Woman in culture and society), Wydawnictwo RABID: Kraków. (In Polish)
- 2008, (& M. Grabowska) "Will it make a difference: EU enlargement and women's public discourse in Poland," *Gender Issues and Women's Movement in the European Union*, Oxford, UK: Berghahn Books.

Peter O. Wacker (professor emeritus) and **Michael Siegel** (Geography staff cartographer)

- Forthcoming, *Mapping New Jersey: An Evolving Landscape*, (Eds. M. Lurie & P. Wacker; Cartographer, M Siegel), Rutgers UP (<http://mapmaker.rutgers.edu/MappingNJ/>)



Forthcoming from Rutgers Univ Press. A collection of over 300 maps charting NJ from the ice age to the present. Eds. M. Lurie (History) & P. Wacker (Geography); Cartography; M. Siegel (Geography)

Graduate Grants, Awards

- **Margo Andrews** won First Place for a student paper at the Middle States AAG meeting for her paper "Political Possibilities of 'Placing' People onto the Land: Re-imagining Community, Commons, and Nature."
- **Elizabeth Barron** was awarded the AAAS 2007 Cannon National Parks Science Scholarship to fund her dissertation research on fungal management and conservation in the US and elsewhere.
- **Kari Burnett** received a Fulbright Fellowship and an AAG Hoffman Award for her research on asylum seekers and refugees and their integration in the Czech Republic.

— Graduate Grants, Awards (continued)

- **Stella Capoccia** was awarded a grant from the Rutgers Department of Human Ecology for her dissertation research in Kenya.
- **Monalisa Chatterjee** was awarded the Bunting-Cobb Graduate Fellowship for women pursuing advanced degrees in the sciences, technology, engineering or math. She was also awarded the Mary Fran Myers Scholarship to attend the Natural Hazard Center's conference this July.
- **Nelun Fernando** was awarded the inaugural William H. Greenberg Fellowship for her dissertation research on climate and environmental change.
- **Jim Jeffers** was awarded the Social Science Research Council Dissertation Proposal Fellowship for his dissertation project titled, "Institutional Decision-Making and Vulnerability to Climate Change in Coastal Regions of Ireland."
- **Ben Neimark** received the 2008 Aluka Award for Innovative Teaching for his course entitled *Issues in Geography: Science, Technology and the Commercialization of Biodiversity*.
- **Rich Nisa** received the Rutgers Geography Department teaching award and received the Carnegie Academy for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Teaching Fellowship for the advancement of teaching at the graduate and undergraduate levels.
- **Bradley Wilson** won the Rutgers University Dissertation Teaching Award for his course *Geographic Perspectives on Food and Justice* to be taught in Spring 2009.
- **Leena Woodhouse** and **Saemi Ledermann** have each received pre-dissertation travel awards from the Rutgers New Brunswick Graduate School.

Rutgers Geography 2008-09 Colloquium Series:

- Sep 12 Leah Horowitz (Rutgers) **Environmental Violence & Crises of Legitimacy in New Caledonia**
- Sep 25 Hallie Eakin (University of California, Santa Barbara) Brownbag (11 am, Lucy Stone Hall B120)
- Oct 10 James Wiley (Hofstra) **The Banana Triangle and the WTO**
- Oct 24 Karl Zimmerer (Penn State) **Agrobiodiversity and Water Resources: Resilience and Limits in Political-Environmental Change (Bolivia, 1985-2008)**
- Nov 14 Priti Ramamurthy (University of Washington)
- Feb 5 Diana Liverman (Oxford University) (11:30 am Roundtable luncheon, Lucy Stone Hall TBD)
(Also, Feb 4 @ Alexander Library)
- Feb 27 Bob Pavlowski, Missouri State University
- Mar 6 Bruce Braun, University of Minnesota

Colloquia are in Lucy Stone Hall B267 at 2 pm unless otherwise noted. Please confirm time and location prior to each event via the Geography Dept website (<http://geography.rutgers.edu>).

5th MaGrann Conference • April 17, 2009 Climate Change in South Asia: Governance, Equity and Social Justice Call for Papers

We invite papers that address climate change issues within any country or region of South Asia. Preference will be given in paper selection to those that connect their topic to one or more of the broad conference themes of governance, equity, and social justice. Potential topic areas for papers include but are not limited to: Legal, Political, & Economic Frameworks for Responding to Climate Change, Cultural, Social & Gender Implications of Climate Change, Natural Resources Management & Land Use Practices Under Climate Change, Vulnerability & Adaptation to Climate Change in Cities & Urbanizing Regions, Technological Responses & Innovations, and Implications for Agriculture Under Changing Climatic & Hydrologic Regimes.

Papers are solicited from established scholars as well as recent PhDs and advanced graduate students. Partial support will be available to presenters to defray the costs of travel. Abstracts of 250 words or less should be sent to the conference organizers on or before September 15, 2008. Final papers (approximately 4,000-6,000 words) will be due by March 1, 2009.

Contact: magrconf@rutgers.edu • <http://magrann-conference.rutgers.edu/>

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