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October 19 – 21 Annual Meeting
MSD AAG and PA Geographical Society
The Woodlands Inn and Resort, Wilkes-Barre, PA
LAST CALL FOR PAPERS

You are invited to participate in the Annual Meetings of the Pennsylvania Geographical Society and the Middle States Division of the Association of American Geographers to be held October 19 - 21 at The Woodlands Inn and Resort in Wilkes Barre, PA. Papers on all geographic topics are invited. Workshops, organized paper sessions, thematic discussion panels and posters are also encouraged. Undergraduate and graduate papers are particularly welcome, and eligible for prizes. Students, faculty, and professional geographers may present their work without submitting a written paper.

If you missed the 15 July deadline, you may still submit your paper abstract or workshop description to John Bodenman, Department of Geography and Geosciences, Bloomsburg University, Bloomsburg, PA 17185 by 15 September, 2000. *Presenters not registered by 15 September will be removed from the program.*

GET PUBLISHED!

Papers given at the Annual Meeting are eligible for publication consideration in the Middle States Geographer, the official, peer-reviewed journal of the Middle States Division. Submitted papers are reviewed by the editors and two external reviewers. A decision on publication will be made by November 15, 2000. Papers accepted for publication must be revised as suggested and submitted on disk with a paper copy by December 15, 2000. All conference participants, college and university libraries in the Middle States Division, select other educational institutions, and the Library of Congress receive the journal. To submit your paper for publication consideration, **submit 3 copies of your paper (prepared in the standard journal format listed within this newsletter) to the registration desk during the conference.**

MIDDLE STATES GEOGRAPHER Editors: Kim Irvine and Gregory Stein, Department of Geography and Planning, Buffalo State College, Buffalo, NY 14222.

Paper Guidelines

Papers may not exceed 8 pages, including all figures, endnotes and bibliography. Set all pages to be single spaced, 10pt Times Roman or CG Times with 1 inch margins all around. Do not right justify. The format should be:

Paper Title (12 pt bold capitals)
Author(s) name(s) (10 pt)
Department
College/University
City, State, Zip

Abstract (12pt bold capitals). After the word “Abstract” insert two spaces and type the abstract text in 10pt italics. Do not indent the first line of the abstract. Abstracts are 250 words maximum. After the abstract text, hit enter two times to leave an empty line before starting the text.

First level subheadings should be centered, 12pt bold and in all capitals. Second level subheadings should be 10pt bold, left justified, with Important Words capitalized. Third level subheadings, if needed, should be left justified 10 point bold italics with only the first word capitalized. Tables should be typed within the paper. Use only horizontal lines of separation. Tables should be numbered and titled with important words capitalized. Leave sufficient space for maps, illustrations, etc. and send **clean** copies with final paper. Type captions beneath illustrations. Capitalize the work Figure and the first word of the caption. Endnotes should be used instead of footnotes, left justified, and typed like first level subheadings. Indent all paragraphs except the Abstract. Do not align text with the space bar; use the tab key. Paginate beginning with page 1. Suggest a running header. Numbers ten and less should be written out, those over 10 in Arabic format. Put all formatting at the beginning of the paper. All maps and figures must be included for publication consideration. Reproduction permissions are the responsibility of the author. Incomplete papers will not be considered for publication.

Student Incentives

Students are urged to come and present their work. To help students with registration, the Middle States Division is subsidizing registration fees at \$20 (\$30 after Sept. 15). We will host a student paper competition, awarding \$100 for first prize and \$50 for second prize in two divisions: undergraduate and graduate. Student status is determined by status on May 1, 2000. To participate:

Send an abstract by September 15 to John Bodenman at:

Department of Geography and Geosciences, Bloomsburg University, Bloomsburg, PA 17185.

Submit the paper using the paper guidelines by October 5 to:

Gregory Pope, Department of Earth and Environmental Studies, Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043

Be sure to include a cover letter stating that the paper is not currently under consideration by a journal, that requested revisions will be made, and include a note from a faculty member indicating your student status on May 1, 2000 (undergrad or grad). Present the paper at the meeting. All students meeting these criteria will receive a free year's membership in the AAG (not including specialty group fees). Student papers co-authored with a faculty member are not eligible for the competition. Posters are not eligible for student paper competition.

World Geography Bowl

The World Geography Bowl will be held Friday from 8:30 – 10:30 pm at the fall meeting. Join us for the fun! If you want to start a team or otherwise get involved, contact Patricia Beyer at pbeyer@bloomu.edu. Students are also invited to attend a pre-game pizza party – details forthcoming!

VOTE! VOTE! **PLEASE VOTE!** VOTE! VOTE!

BALLOT FOR OFFICERS 2001
Middle States Division AAG

Please complete (circle a candidate or write-in) and return *with or without your registration* for the fall meeting to:
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Bloomsburg University, Bloomsburg, PA 17815.

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TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE

Follow the schedule as it progresses at the conference website:

<http://planetx.bloomu.edu/~geog/Meeting2000/>

BOOK A ROOM

For reservations at the Woodlands Inn and Resort, call 570-824-9831 or 1-800-762-2222. A special discount rate of \$90 per night has been made for the conference. Special room rates include a full breakfast on Friday and a continental breakfast on Saturday.

GETTING THERE

From Philadelphia: Take Northeast extension of PA Turnpike North to Exit 36. Turn left onto route 115 North. Go 5 miles to Exit 1. Make left at light (315) and The Woodlands is 1/4 mile on the right.

From New York City: Take I-80 west to exit 43 (Blakeslee), turn right on to route 115 North, travel 20 miles to exit #1. Turn left at light on route 315 north, The Woodlands is 1/4 mile on the right.

From Baltimore: Take I-83 to I-81 North to Exit 47B. Take Exit 1, Turn Left at light (315), and The Woodlands is 1/4 mile on the right.

From Pittsburgh: Take PA Turnpike East to I-81 North to Exit 47B. Take Exit 1, Turn Left at light (315), and The Woodlands is 1/4 mile on the right.

MEETING FIELD TRIPS

The Boulder Field of Hickory Run State Park: A Geomorphic Oddity - Dr. Duane Braun, Bloomsburg University
Time: Saturday 1:00pm - 5:00pm Registration Lobby Cost: \$20 (includes transportation, field trip book, refreshment)

Join Dr. Duane Braun, renowned Pennsylvania geologist and geomorphologist and BU professor, for a discussion of the Boulder Field in Hickory Run State Park. Over the years, visitors have attributed the enigmatic Boulder Field to everything from landslides to aliens, and even geomorphologists have debated its origin. Dr. Braun will discuss the present theory for the formation of this and other boulder fields in the Pocono Mountains – periglacial activity during the late Pleistocene – as well as evidence in support of this theory and other glacial and periglacial features in Northeastern Pennsylvania. For more information, contact Patricia Beyer (pbeyer@bloomu.edu.)

Environmental Education at Hickory Run State Park - Dr. Patricia Beyer, Bloomsburg University
Time: Saturday 1:00pm - 5:00pm Registration Lobby Cost: \$25.00 (includes transportation, field trip book, teaching materials, refreshment)

Why are these boulders here? How many boulders are there? Hey, there's water down in the cracks! Hickory Run State Park and its impressive Boulder Field provide an ideal setting for discussing key elements in environmental education: hypothesis generation, observation & data collection, and the importance of landscape history. Dr. Patricia Beyer, geomorphologist and daughter of a seventh grade science teacher, presents ideas and materials for using bringing physical geography alive for students. For more information, contact Patricia Beyer (pbeyer@bloomu.edu.)

Lackawanna Coal Mine and Pennsylvania Anthracite Museum - Dr. Brian Johnson, Bloomsburg University
Time: Saturday 1:00pm - 4:30pm Registration Lobby Cost: \$25.00 (includes transportation and entrance fees)

Go down in history and explore 300 ft. beneath the earth in an actual mine. See how men slaved on hands and knees to harvest black diamonds. Learn from a real miner about life and hard coal times in the city that was once the anthracite capital of the world and one of the most prosperous on the East Coast. Explore the story of immigration and industry in the Anthracite Region. From the Paleo Indians to recent arrivals, experience the lives and labors of those who settled Northeastern Pennsylvania. Learn the history of the Hard Coal Region - at work, play, and in the home through artifacts, images, sound, and video. For more information, contact Patricia Beyer (pbeyer@bloomu.edu.)

MEALS

If you have not done so with your pre-registration, there is still time to sign up for the special meals that have been arranged.

Luncheon

Time: Friday, October 20 11:30am - 1:00pm Presidential Ballroom
Cost: \$15.00 (Buffet taco salad, dessert, beverage)

Banquet

Time: Friday, October 20 6:00pm - 8:00pm Grand Ballroom
Cost: \$25.00 (see registration form for meal choices)
The banquet speaker is Mark Monmonier of Syracuse University.

Luncheon

Time: Saturday, October 21 11:30am - 1:00pm Presidential Ballroom
Cost: \$15.00 (deli buffet luncheon – sandwiches, salads, dessert, beverages)
James R. “Pete” Shortridge, University of Kansas, will be the speaker.

**PENNSYLVANIA GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY
MIDDLE STATES DIVISION AAG ANNUAL MEETING
October 19-21, 2000**

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Office Tel. No. _____
 Affiliation _____ Home Tel. No. _____
 Address _____ email address _____

Workshop registration. There is no charge for workshops; however, there are space limitations and presenters need to be sure they have enough materials for all participants. Check those workshops you plan to attend.

_____ W1. Material Culture Displays in the K-12 classroom
 _____ W2. Geography Awareness Week
 _____ W3. ARGWorld
 _____ W4. Pennsylvania Standards for Geography
 _____ W5. AP Geography

Field Trips. Please sign up spouses and guests for our adventure-packed field trips. All field trips will leave from the registration lobby at *The Woodlands* on Saturday, October 21, at 1:00pm.

	Amount
F1. Hickory Run, Geomorphology - \$20.00	_____
F2. Hickory Run, Environmental Education - \$25.00	_____
F3. Coal Mine and Anthracite Museum - \$25.00	_____

Registration Fee. Fee includes meeting registration, Friday and Saturday breaks, Friday reception, and *The Middle States Geographer*. Student registration also includes the Saturday luncheon.

How many?		Before 9/15	After 9/15	Amount
_____	Regular registration	\$50.00	\$60.00	_____
_____	Student registration	20.00	30.00	_____

Special Events.

How many?	Event		Amount
_____	Friday luncheon: buffet taco salad	\$15.00	_____
_____	Friday banquet: please specify:	25.00	_____
_____	Chicken scampi _____ Prime rib _____ Veg. ravioli _____		
_____	Saturday luncheon: deli buffet	15.00	_____

Fees Recap:

\$ _____	Registration fee
\$ _____	Friday luncheon
\$ _____	Friday banquet
\$ _____	Saturday luncheon
\$ _____	Field trip
\$ _____	Subtotal
\$ _____	LESS REGISTRATION PAID PREVIOUSLY
\$ _____	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

Make check made payable to PGS and mail to:
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