EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

PAST ACTIVITIES - 2004-2005

APRIL

April 27 -- Annual Departmental Student Honors Night. Faculty House, 5:30 pm - 7 pm. ALL Students and Faculty Invited. Refreshments.

April 15 -- Scott Schoefernacker, Master's Candidate, presents his thesis research: Spatial Characteristics of the Mississippian-Pennsylvanian Systemic Boundary in South-Central Kentucky with Special Reference to Paleochannels. EST 337, 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED.

April 1 -- Kentucky State Finals of the National Geographic Bee. WKU South Campus Conference Center, 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm. ALL Invited.

MARCH

March 18 -- Joey Islas, Master's Candidate, presents his thesis research: The Identification, Characterization, and Analysis of Wrench Faulting in southwestern Warren County, Kentucky. EST 337, 2:30 pm.

March 4 -- Dr. Carol Wicks, Department of Geological Sciences, University of Missouri-Columbia, presents Flow and Solute Transport through the Salem and Springfield Plateaus of Missouri. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. Everyone invited.

FEBRUARY

February 11 -- James Russ, Master's Candidate, presents his thesis research: Globalization, Urban Competitiveness, and Human Capital: Where does Davidson County, Tennessee, Fit into the Equation?. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. Everyone is invited.

February 9 -- Tim Slattery, Bowling Green City Hydrologist (and graduate of the MS Geoscience program) presents: Keep it Clean, Bowling Green. GCC 100, 11:45 am.

JANUARY

January 28 -- Chuck Decroix, National Park Service, Mammoth Cave National Park, presents Mapping the Longest Cave: A History of Exploration. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. All are invited!

DECEMBER

December 18 -- 156th Commencement. Come along and celebrate with us as our majors graduate from the Geography and Geology programs.

December 6 -- Annual Geography and Geology Student/Faculty/Staff Holiday Lunch - EST 306 at 11:30 am. ALL program majors and minors, and graduate students, invited.

December 3 -- Dr. L. Michael Trapasso presents Following the Vikings to North America. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

NOVEMBER

November 18 -- Dr. Richard Deal presents Niu, Tokelau, and Nauru at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore, as part of the WKU Library Faraway Places Series, 7 pm. All Invited.

November 12 -- Chris Smallcomb, Senior Forecaster at the National Weather Service, Louisville, Kentucky,
presents: Significant Weather Events of 2004. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. Everyone is invited!

OCTOBER

October 29 -- Dr. Jerry Daday, Department of Sociology, Western Kentucky University, presents: The Spatial Distribution of Crime. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

October 23 -- WKU Homecoming - The Department has a Tent located on the South Lawn. Food and beverages are served from 2 pm to 4 pm. Please come by and visit the Department's tent.

October 21 -- Dr. David J. Keeling presents Australia at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore, as part of the WKU Library Faraway Places Series, 7 pm. All Invited.

October 1 -- Alan D. Howard, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Virginia, presents Geomorphic Evidence of Martian Water. TCCW 129 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

SEPTEMBER

September 3 -- Dan Taylor, Geoscience Graduate Student, presents his MS Thesis research titled Evaluating Spatial Variability of Precipitation in Kentucky with Exploratory Data Analysis. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

AUGUST

August 27 -- Fall Welcome Meeting: Faculty and Student Introductions. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

2003-2004

MAY

May 8 -- 155th Commencement, 9 am, Stadium. Come along and celebrate with us as our majors graduate from the program.

APRIL

April 30 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Jennifer L. Turner, China Environment Forum Senior Project Associate and Coordinator, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington DC., presents: Water is for Fighting: Resolving Water Conflicts in China. TCCW 129 at 2:30 pm. All are invited [Presented by the Hoffman Institute].

April 30 -- Faculty/Student Seminar" Joel Thomas presents his thesis research: Tourism and Rural Identity in the Waasland, Belgium. EST 350 at 8 am. All invited!

April 29 -- Annual Student Honors Celebration, Faculty House, 6:30pm - 8:30pm. All students, significant others, and family members are invited as the Department pays tribute to its outstanding students for the 2003-2004 Academic year. Refreshments Provided.

April 26 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Geoscience Graduate Student Michael Briggs presents his thesis research: Roadside Memorial Practices: An Examination of Landscape of Commemorations in Warren County, Kentucky. EST 350 at 4:00 pm. ALL INVITED!

April 23 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Geoscience Graduate Student AJ Iovanna presents his thesis research: Evaluating Uranium Depth and Socio-economic Statistics for Residential Radon Vulnerability in Warren County, Kentucky. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

April 19 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Geoscience Graduate Student Mark Graham presents his thesis research: Understanding Perceptions of Accessibility and Mobility Through Structuration Theory. EST 350 at 11:15 am. ALL INVITED!

April 16 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Graduate Students Pat Kambesis and Mark Graham present" In Search of the Underground River, Hunan Province, PRC." EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

April 14 -- Public Lecture by Maria Fernanda Espinosa, World Conservation Union, Quito, Ecuador: The Geopolitics of Biodiversity: Perspectives from Developing Countries. Thompson Complex Central Wing 129 at 7:30 pm. Co-sponsored with the Modern Languages Department.

April 2 -- National Geographic Bee, Kentucky State Finals, South Campus (Center for Economic Development), 1pm to 5 pm. Come along and cheer on 100 middle-grades students from around the state. The Kentucky State Champion wins a trip to Washington, D.C., to participate in the national finals.
MARCH

March 5 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Geoscience Graduate Student Jenna Medlin presents her thesis research: *A Spatial Analysis of the Impact of Residential Development on Wetland Habitat in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina*. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!


FEBRUARY

February 13 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Jason A. Rech, Department of Geology, Miami University of Ohio, presents a talk on paleoclimate: *The desiccation of the Atacama Desert, Chile, and its implications for Andean Uplift*. EST 337 at 2:30 pm.

February 20 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Richard Deal presents: *Problems of Insularity on Niue, Kiribati, and Nauru*. EST 337 at 2:30 pm.

DECEMBER

December 4 -- Annual Faculty/Student Holiday Luncheon, EST 306. All faculty and Geography/Geology majors and minors are invited - Turkey and other good food. 11:30 am.

NOVEMBER

November 21 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Ezzat Raeisi, Department of Geology, Shiraz University, Iran, presents: *Theory of groundwater storage calculation in no flow or alluvium boundaries in semi-arid karst regions: Application in Zagros Mountains, Iran*. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

November 14 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Patricia Kambesis presents her MS Thesis research: *A Systems Approach for the Understanding of Agricultural Contaminant Sources and Transport within a Karst Groundwater Basin*. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

November 7-8 -- Annual Kentucky Academy of Science conference, Bowling Green. Faculty and Students present their research in both Geography and Geology sections.

November 1 -- Annual Alumni Geofeast and Homecoming: All Faculty, Students, and Alumni invited. South Lawn GeoTent, 2:00 - 4:00 pm. ALL INVITED!

OCTOBER

October 24 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Chris Groves presents *Frequency and Magnitude Relationships in the Evolution of a Karst Landscape/Aquifer System*. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

October 10 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Andrew Wulff, *Tatara-San Pedro: The Life and Times of an Andean Volcano*. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

SEPTEMBER

September 29 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Defining the Departmental research mission. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

September 15 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Discussion on Departmental research mission. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

AUGUST

August 22 -- Fall Welcome Meeting: Faculty and Student Introductions. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL INVITED!

2002-2003

MAY

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May 10 -- 153rd Commencement, 9 am, Stadium. Come along and celebrate with us as our majors graduate from the program.

APRIL

April 30 -- Annual Student Honors Celebration, Faculty House, 5:30pm - 7:30pm. All students, significant others, and family members are invited as the Department pays tribute to its outstanding students for the 2002-2003 Academic year. Refreshments Provided.
April 25 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Will Blackburn presents his graduate Thesis: Tropospheric Ozone at Mammoth Cave: The Impact of Bowling Green. EST 337, 2:30 pm. ALL invited.
April 11 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr Stuart Foster (with Dr. Andrew Wulff) presents: The Future of Kentucky: Are we Spectators or Participants?. EST 337, 2:30 pm. ALL invited.
April 5 -- Annual Sigma Xi conference, WKU. All students invited to participate. More information online.
April 4 -- National Geographic Bee, Kentucky State Finals, South Campus (Center for Economic Development), 1pm to 5 pm. Come along and cheer on 100 middle-grades students from around the state. The Kentucky State Champion wins a trip to Washington, D.C., to participate in the national finals.

MARCH

March 24-28 -- Spring Break. Have fun!
March 14 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Sarah Elizabeth All presents: Reducing Mosquito-Borne Virus Vulnerability in Equine Populations Through GIS-Based Management Strategies, EST 337, 2:30 pm. ALL Invited.
March 5-8 -- Annual Conference of the Association of American Geographers, New Orleans. Students and faculty are participating.

FEBRUARY

February 28 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. David J. Keeling presents: Ecology and Ecotourism at the End of the World, EST 337, 2:30 pm. ALL are invited.
February 7 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Demetrio Zourarakis, Kentucky Office of Conservation, presents: Overview of GIS Applications for Kentucky's State Programs Involving Natural Resources, EST 337, 2:30 pm. ALL are invited.
February 3 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Shana R. Restall presents her MS exit paper: Your Friends and Neighbors: Lesbian Rural Communities, EST 340, 2:30 pm.

JANUARY

January 31 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Glen Conner, Kentucky State Climatologist Emeritus, presents: Kentucky's Climate During the Civil War. EST 337, 2:30 pm.

DECEMBER

December 5 (Thursday) -- Annual Geography and Geology Holiday Lunch -- 11:30 am in Room EST 306.

NOVEMBER

November 22 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Rhonda Pfaff defends her MS Thesis research: GIS as a Tool for the Protection of Groundwater Resources, EST Room 337, 2:30 pm. ALL are invited.

OCTOBER

October 28 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Hazel Barton, Microbiology Department, UC Davis, presents: More than Powerbars and Sulfur: The Complexity of Microbial Nutrition in the Dark, EST Room 337, 3:30 pm.
October 26 -- Homecoming and Alumni Geofeast, South Lawn, Western Kentucky University. 2pm - 4 pm before the game! ALL ALUMNI invited. Call 270-745-4555 for more information.
October 18 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Calvin Miller, Department of Geoscience, Vanderbilt University, presents: Under the Volcano: Perspectives on Processes in Magma Chambers from Southern Nevada. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. All are invited.
October 17 -- Dr. David J. Keeling presents: Argentina, part of the WKU Library's Far Away Places...with strange sounding names! series, 7:00 p.m., Barnes & Noble Cafe, 1680 Campbell Lane, Bowling Green. All are invited.

October 11 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Luis A. Gonzalez presents: The Use of Speleothems in Paleoclimatic Reconstructions. Dr. Gonzalez is in the Dept. of Geoscience at the University of Iowa. EST Room 337 at 3 pm.

October 10 -- Dr. Michael Trapasso presents: The Philistines Are Upon Us: The Civil War Comes to Bowling Green, part of the Kentucky Live series, 7:00 p.m., Barnes & Noble, 1680 Campbell Lane, Bowling Green.

SEPTEMBER

September 27 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: The Department's Study Abroad Students present: Environmental and Social Issues in Australia: The 2002 Study Abroad Experience, 2:30 pm, EST 337, All are invited!

September 12 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Geologic Solutions to Environmental Health Problems in China by Dr. Robert Finkelman, Senior Research Scientist, U.S. Geological Survey, and Dr. Zheng Baoshan, Director of the Institute of Geochemistry, Guiyang, China. EST 337, 3:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME!

AUGUST

August 19 -- Fall classes begin. Welcome all new and returning students!

August 23 -- Faculty/Student Fall Welcome, EST 337, at 2:30 pm. Everyone is invited. Come and hear about exciting new activities and plans for the coming academic year.

PAST ACTIVITIES - SPRING 2002

MAY

May 1 -- Annual Student Honors Celebration, Faculty House, 6 pm - 8 pm. All students, significant others, and family members are invited as the Department pays tribute to its outstanding students for the 2001-2002 Academic year. Refreshments Provided.

May 11 -- Spring Commencement

APRIL

April 26 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Jeremy Richardson presents MS thesis research, Title TBA, EST 337, 2:30 pm, ALL invited.

April 12 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. David Legates, Director, Center for Climatic Research, Department of Geography, University of Delaware, presents: Real-Time Estimation if Precipitation Using WSR-88D Weather Radars. EST 337 at 2:30 pm.

April 9 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Andy Baker, University of Newcastle, England, presented "3000 Years of Climate Variability Reconstructed from Scottish Stalagmites." EST, Room 422, 2 pm. All invited.

April 6 -- Annual Sigma Xi conference, WKU. All students invited to participate. More information online.

April 3-5 -- Annual GSA Conference, Southeastern Section, Lexington, KY. More information available online.

April 3 -- WKU Outstanding Graduate Student Awards -- Shana Renee Restall received the Outstanding Graduate Student in Geoscience Award for 2001-2002.

April 2 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Yuan Daoxian, The Institute of Karst Geology, Guilin China, presented "Geology and Geohydrology of Karst and its Relevance to Society" EST 349, 2:00 pm.

MARCH

March 16-24 -- Spring Break. Have fun!

FEBRUARY

February 19 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Britton Dotson (Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation) presented "DNAPL Contamination Plume: Groundwater Investigation at Charleston Naval Base, Charleston, South Carolina." EST 338, 3:30 pm.
JANUARY

January 25 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. David J. Keeling presented "On the Waterfront: Landuse Development and Conflict in Buenos Aires, Argentina." EST 337, 2:30 pm, ALL invited.

RECENT ACTIVITIES - FALL 2001

NOVEMBER

November 30 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Michael Hawkins (Ball State University), "Tourism, Mobility and Cultural Geography." EST, Room 337, 2:30 pm.
November 6 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Susan Marklin, Graduate MS Thesis presentation, "The Progression of Recycling in Bowling Green, Kentucky." 4 pm in EST 337.
November 2 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. L. Michael Trapasso, "Water Resources in Ancient Egypt: The Making of an Empire." 2:30pm in EST 337.

OCTOBER

October 30 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Mike Anderson, Graduate MS Thesis presentation. "Herbicide Transport on Sediments in Mammoth Cave." 4 pm, Room 337, EST.
October 20 -- Homecoming Activities: Geofeast and Tailgate Party, Saturday afternoon. Call the office (270-745-4555) for details.

SEPTEMBER

September 21 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Chris Groves, Director, Hoffman Environmental Research Institute, presents "GIS, Landscape Evolution, and Big Fun in the South China Karst." 2:30 pm, EST 337.
September 14 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: James Wells, Senior Systems Analyst, SAIC, 2:30 pm, EST 337.
September 7 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr Nick Crawford, Center for Cave and Karst Studies, "Research Opportunities in the Center for Cave and Karst Studies." 2:30 pm, EST 337. Reception following at Lost River Cave. ALL are invited.

AUGUST

August 24 -- Faculty/Student Welcome Meeting, 2:30 pm EST 337. ALL ARE INVITED.
August 20 -- Fall classes begin. Register online now.

ACTIVITIES - SPRING 2001

MAY

May 6 -- Commencement Celebrations.
May 2 -- Faculty Seminar: Dr. Richard Deal, Hofstra University (Candidate for the Cultural Geography Position), presents: "Multiple Borders, Many Bodies: The Slow Road to Devolution in England." 3:30 pm, Room 337, EST.

APRIL

April 24 -- Annual Departmental Student Honors Celebration, Room 337, EST at 7 pm. Allan Glennon, Hoffman Environmental Research Institute, presents: "Students, Discovery, and Research." All students, significant others, and family members are invited as the Department pays tribute to its outstanding students for the 2000-2001 Academic year. Refreshments Provided.
April 24 -- Raina Larsen defends her Master's Program Paper, "Growth Poles Strategies in South America: The Case of Argentina and Brazil." Room 337, EST at 3:30 pm.
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April 20 -- Bill Curry defends his Master's Thesis, "The Use of Cesium 137 in understanding the relationship between logging and sedimentation rates in caves and karst in the Tongass National Forest of southeastern Alaska." Room 337 EST at 2:30 pm.
April 19 -- The Green River Grotto presents Dr. Phil Reeder: "Exploration Near and Far: From Kentucky to Israel." ESTB 337 at 7:30 pm.
April 18 -- Graduate Student Awards Night, South Campus Auditorium, 6pm. Join us as we present Timothy Scott Pruett the Outstanding Graduate Student in Geoscience award for the 2000-2001 academic year.
April 18 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Elizabeth Leppman, St. Cloud State University, Minnesota (Candidate for the Cultural Geography Position), presents: "Churchscapes in Menifee County, Kentucky." 3:30 pm, Room 337 EST.
April 16 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Katie Algeo, University of Wisconsin--Steven's Point (Candidate for the Cultural Geography Position), presents: "Tobacco Farming in the Age of the Surgeon General's Warning: Agricultural Change in Madison County, North Carolina." 3:30 pm, Room 337 EST.
April 11 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Orrin Pilkey, the James B. Duke Professor of Geology and Director of the Program for the Study of Developed Shorelines at Duke University, presents: "Rising Seas and Shifting Shores, the American Coastal Erosion Problem." Room 129, Thompson Complex Center Wing, 2:30 pm. ALL ARE INVITED.
April 10 -- WKU Great Performances Series: Dr. Walter Alvarez, Professor of Geology, University of California at Berkeley, presents: "T-Rex and the Crater of Doom." 8 pm, Van Meter Auditorium. ALL ARE INVITED.
April 8 -- University Honors Presentation, Garrett Ballroom. 2pm. Join us as we present to Clint Franklin (Outstanding Geography Senior) and Chris Hall (Outstanding Geology Senior) Department awards for excellence.

MARCH

March 30 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Darlene Applegate, Anthropology, "Rockshelter Archaeology in Kentucky." Room 337, EST, 2:30 pm.
March 26 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Rezaul Mahmood, High Plains Regional Climate Center (Candidate for the Climatology Position), "Land-Use Change and Modification of Near Surface Hydrologic Components in the Northern Great Plains." Room 337, EST, 3:30 pm.
March 19-23 -- Spring Break. Have a Great Time and Be Safe!
March 14 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Mark Simpson, UT-Martin (Candidate for the Climatology Position), "Climate Variability in West Tennessee and Its Relationship to Atmospheric Teleconnection Patterns." Room 337, EST, 3:30 pm.
March 2 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Glynn Beck and David Williams, Kentucky Geological Survey, Henderson Field Office, present: "The Impact of an Abandoned Feedlot on Shallow Groundwater in Henderson County, Kentucky." Room 337, EST, 2:30 pm.

FEBRUARY

February 16 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Stuart Foster presents "The Kentucky Climate Center: What's the Forecast?" Room 337 EST, 2:30 pm. ALL ARE INVITED.
February 9 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Michael May presents "A Geologic and Cultural Excursion in Eastern China." Room 337, 2:30 pm. ALL ARE INVITED.

JANUARY

January 19 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. David J. Keeling presents "Power, Production, and Polarization: Regenerated Landscapes as Socio-Political Statements." Room 337, EST, 2:30 pm. ALL ARE INVITED.

ACTIVITIES - FALL 2000

DECEMBER

December 8 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Scotty Pruett defends his Master's Thesis, "The Lost Valley of
Peru? A Geographic Analysis of Illicit Coca Production and Terrorism in the Upper Huallaga Valley." Room 337, EST, 3 pm.

December 7 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Joel Desplain presents his research on, "Caves and Karst of Borneo." Room 349, EST, 3:30 pm. ALL are invited to attend.

December 6 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Seth Spoelman defends his Master's Thesis research, "Karst Hydrology of Shakerag Hollow, Tennessee." Room 337, EST, 4 pm. ALL are invited to attend.

NOVEMBER

November 30 - December 2 -- Kentucky Academy of Science Annual Conference, Lexington. Contact Dr. Moore for registration forms and transport information. All Faculty and Students are encouraged to attend and present a paper.

OCTOBER

October 30 -- Department Head Search Special Seminar. Dr. David J. Keeling: "Global Problems, Local Solutions: A Research Agenda for the New Century." Room 337, EST, 4 pm.

October 27 -- Dr. Jiang Zhongcheng, Institute of Karst Geology, Guilin, China. "Environmental Restoration in the South China Karst Region." Room 337, EST, 2:30 pm.

October 26 -- Department Head Search Special Seminar. Dr. Larry Knox, Tennessee Technological University. "Bryozoan-Crinoid Mudmounds in the Fort Payne Formation (Mississippian, Osagean) of Tennessee." Room 337, EST, 4pm.

October 16 -- Department Head Search Special Seminar. Dr. Dennis Ehrhardt, University of Louisiana-Lafayette. "The Pre-Test As An Indicator of Geographic Knowledge" Room 337, EST, at 4 pm.

October 13 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Jeff Timmons defends his Master's Thesis, "Implications of Humic and Fluvic Acid-Rich Drainage Waters on the Geochemistry of Karst Landscape Development." Room 337, EST, at 2:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME!

October 12 -- Department Head Search Special Seminar: Dr. Kenneth Kuehn presented "Mighty Fines - A Story Of Applied Geoscience In The Kentucky Coal Industry." Room 337, EST, at 3 pm.

October 5-6 -- FALL BREAK.

SEPTEMBER

September 29 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Fred Siewers, "Coal Balls" and the Exceptional Preservation of Plant Remains in Ancient Coal Seams," Room 337, EST, at 2:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME!

September 28 -- WKU Geology Club presents Dr. Ron Schott. "Tracking Exotic Terranes: Isotopic Provenance Studies of the Gualala Basin, California," Room 326, EST, at 4:30 pm. Club meeting to follow the presentation.

September 8 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. David J. Keeling, "Sustainable Development in an Emerging Country: Brazil's Order and Progress." Room 337, EST, at 2:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME

AUGUST

August 25 -- Annual Introductions and Department Welcome. EST 337 at 2:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME!

ACTIVITIES -- SPRING 2000

MAY

May 9 -- May Intersession Classes start.

May 7 -- Spring Commencement, 1:30 pm.

APRIL
April 24 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Nancy Demaree defends her Master's Thesis -- "Place, Disease, and Mortality in Trimble County, Kentucky, 1849-1894" -- EST 337 at 08:00 am. All are invited.
April 21 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Kevin Cary defends his Master's Thesis -- "Precipitation Rates in Kentucky" -- EST 337 at 3:30 pm. All are invited.
April 20 -- The Department of Geography and Geology Annual Student Honors Night, EST 3rd floor, 7:00 pm. Jamie Strickland presented "My Old Kentucky Home." The Department honored graduating seniors and graduate students. Refreshments provided. View the Pictures from the honors night.
April 15 -- University Undergraduate Honor's Awards -- 2pm, Garrett Ballroom. Join us as the Department honors its Outstanding Seniors in Geography and Geology.
April 12 -- All Graduating Geography Seniors must take the Departmental Senior Exit Exam scheduled for 0800-1000 am. Contact Dr. Conrad Moore.
April 6 -- Latin American Studies Annual Lecture: Dr. Marshall Eakin, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, presented: "Brazil Enters the 21st Century." EST 337, 2:15 pm. All are invited, and refreshments follow in the student lounge at 3:15 pm.
April 1 -- 30th Annual Student Research Conference at WKU, Sponsored by Sigma Xi and the Honors Program. Five students (faculty sponsor) presented their research at this conference: David Sander (Conner); Emily Bush (Conner); Tricia Zimmerman (Conner); Josh Durkee (Conner); and Bethany Overfield (May).

MARCH

March 27-31 -- The Global Automotive Conference. Check the website for more information: Conference Info.
March 3 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. James Cobb, Kentucky State Geologist, presented: "Geology: An Essential Key to Kentucky's Economic Future." EST 337, 3:30 pm. All are invited.

FEBRUARY

February 25 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Pat Kambesis, President of the Cave Research Foundation, presented "Mauka-Makai" - Recent Cave Discoveries on Hawaii's Big Island." EST 337, 3:30 pm.
February 4 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Jamie Strickland presented "Tales of a Kentucky Geoscientist: The Remarkable Career of Nathaniel Southgate Shaler." EST 337, 3:30 pm.

JANUARY

January 17 -- Martin Luther King Celebrations. No Classes.
January 10 -- Welcome back to the Department. Spring Courses Begin.

ACTIVITIES -- FALL 1999

DECEMBER

December 18 -- Fall Graduation (10:00am). All Department of Geography and Geology Graduating Seniors, Masters, and alumni are invited to attend the ceremonies.
December 9 -- Annual Geography Christmas Lunch. All majors, minors, and graduate students are invited. See the office for more details.
December 3 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: David Ek, National Park Service, "The History of Science and Resource Management in the National Park Service," 3:00 pm, Room 337 EST.

NOVEMBER

November 30 -- Senior Assessment/Exit Exam, 08:00 am. All graduating seniors are required to take the exit exam and to have their major portfolios approved by their advisor. See Dr. Moore (745-4555) for more information.
November 24-26 -- No Classes! Thanksgiving Break.
November 15-19 -- Geography Awareness Week. Visit the Study Abroad Fair in DUC on Thursday November 18, 10:30 to 2:30 pm.
November 19 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Jim Bingham, "Migration as a Factor in Kentucky's Population
Rebound of the 1990s: The Non-Metropolitan Counties," 3:30 pm, Room 337 EST. November 5-6 -- Annual Meeting of the Kentucky Academy of Science, Richmond, Kentucky (EKU). Congratulations to all the students, both graduates and undergraduates, who gave outstanding presentations at the KAS.

OCTOBER

October 30 -- The ANNUAL DEPARTMENT HOGROAST. Call the office for more details (1-270-745-4555). October 29 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. L. Michael Trapasso, "The Birthplace of Modern Meteorology: The Bergen School of Norway," 3:00 pm, Room 337 EST. October 7-8 -- No Classes! Fall break. October 1 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: "Agrichemical loading and water quality degradation in springs draining a groundwater basin in southwestern Illinois' sinkhole plain," Samuel V. Panno, Illinois State Geological Survey. 3:00 pm, Room 337 EST.

SEPTEMBER

September 24 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: "The Lost River Cave Project," Drs. Nicholas Crawford and Chris Groves. 3:00 pm, Room 337 EST (Field Trip to Lost River Cave after the Seminar, with refreshments served). September 24 -- Annual Science Days for area High School Students, 9 am to 3 pm, all Ogden College Buildings. Support our future Geoscientists! September 10 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: David J. Keeling, "The Role of Landscape Change in Geoscience Analysis," Friday 3:00 pm, Room 337 EST.

AUGUST

August 27 -- Annual Departmental Welcome Meeting, 3:00pm, Room 337 EST.

ACTIVITIES - SPRING 1999

MAY

May 10 -- May Mini-Session Classes Begin in Geography and Geology. May 8 -- Graduation Activities, Western Kentucky University. All graduating seniors, alumni, faculty, family, and friends are encouraged to attend. May 6 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Thomas Owusu, University of Toronto -- "The Residential Behavior of African Immigrants in Canadian Cities: The Case of Ghanaians in Toronto," Room 337 EST at 0800. May 4 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Linc Debunce, University of Guam -- "The Commercialization of Kava: Sacred and Profane Landscapes in the South Pacific," Room 337 EST at 0800.

APRIL

April 29 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Jamie Strickland, University of Georgia -- "Spatial and Temporal Dynamics of Employment and Mobility in Later Life," Room 337 EST at 0800. April 27 -- Student Honors Night, Tuesday at 6:30 pm in Room 337, EST (Refreshments Provided!!) -- Dr. Fred Siewers presents "Coal Balls and the Fossilization of Coal-Forming Plants," -- All current students and alumni are invited to attend the ceremonies. April 27 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: S. Jeffrey Underwood, University of Georgia: "A Climatology of Wind-Driven Rain for the Contiguous U.S., 1971-1995" -- 0800 in Room EST 337. April 22 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Jill Arrance (Geography Master's Candidate) -- "Elvis Slept Here! Motel Point Patterns of a U.S. Highway." -- 0800 in Room EST 337. April 20 -- Mace L. Bentley, University of Georgia: "A Climatology of Central & Eastern U.S. Derechos: 1986-1995" at 0800 in Room 337 EST. April 16 -- Special Seminar: Dr. Phil Reeder, University of Nebraska, Omaha -- "A Geoarchaeological Investigation of Maya Cave Utilization on the Northern Vaca Plateau, Belize, Central America." EST337 at 3:30 pm. Contact Dr. Groves for more information. April 12-16 -- Annual International Week at Western. Speakers, seminars, galas, and other activities

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planned.
April 15 -- International Week Special Seminar Panel, Dr. David J. Keeling, Chair: "Is Latin America on the Verge of Socio-Economic Collapse?" 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm in Room 337, EST. All are invited.
April 9 -- Annual National Geography Bee State Finals, University of Louisville 12:00 until 4:00 pm. Contact Dr. Albert Peterson for more details.
April 8 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Jon Jasper (Geography Master's Candidate) -- "A Geomorphic History of Martin Ridge Cave, Kentucky." 0800 in Room 337 EST.
April 1 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Stuart Foster -- "Data Gathering Strategies in Research and Public-Service Activities." EST337 at 8:00 am.

MARCH

March 4 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Allan Heaps, Instructional Technology -- "Web-Based Instruction in the Classroom." EST337 at 8:00 am.
March 10 -- Special Seminar: Dr. Anthony Brink -- "Sinkhole Collapses in South Africa." EST 350 at 11:45 am.
March 13-21 -- SPRING BREAK!

FEBRUARY

February 11 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. Michael May -- "Microscopic and Megascope Investigation of the Mississippian-Pennsylvanian Unconformity: Portraits of a 300+ Million Year-Old Erosional Surface in Western Kentucky." 8am in EST337.
February 22 -- Special Seminar: Dr. George Veni, Visiting Professor -- "Karst Groundwater Basin Evolution." EST350 at 11:45 am.
February 25 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. L. Michael Trapasso -- "UV Radiation and Human Health: Perceptions in the 'Land of the Ozone Hole.'" EST337 at 8:00 am.

JANUARY

January 11 -- Spring Semester Classes Begin.
January 14 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: William Parsons, Executive in Residence, Department of Marketing and Business -- "Internationalization of the Business Curriculum." 8am in 337EST.
January 28 -- Faculty/Student Seminar: Dr. David J. Keeling -- "Life in Hong Kong after the British: Development Patterns and Changing Urban Dynamics." 8am in EST337.

ACTIVITIES -- FALL 1998

AUGUST

August 27 - Dr. Stephan Kempe, Geologisch-Palaontologisches Institut, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany - Graduate/Student Seminar "Geology of the Hue Hue Tube (1801 Hualalai Flow), Hawaii."

SEPTEMBER

**September 10 - Dr. David J. Keeling, Department of Geography and Geology, Western Kentucky University - Graduate/Student Seminar "The Rhine-Main-Danube Canal: Continental Artery or White Elephant."
** September 23, 24, and 25 - Joint Meeting of the Friends of Karst and the UNESCO International Geological Correlation Program Project 379: Karst Processes and the Global Carbon Cycle - Hosted by Western Kentucky University. For more information, just click on: CONFERENCE DETAILS.

OCTOBER

** October 15 - Dr. Conrad Moore and Michael Anderson, Department of Geography and Geology, Western Kentucky University - Graduate/Student Seminar "The Geography of American Innovation Prior to 1930."
** October 17 -- Annual Geography and Geology HOGROAST. Contact the Department Secretary at 502-745-4555 for more information or email david.keeling@wku.edu
** October 29 - Tim Troutman, Graduate Student in Geography - Graduate/Student Seminar and Thesis Defense "A Comprehensive Precipitation Climatology for Middle Tennessee."
** October 29-31 -- The Annual Meeting of the Midwest Association of Latin American Studies (MALAS), hosted by the Department of Geography and Geology - For 1999 Conference Details and Registration Information, just click on: CONFERENCE DETAILS.

NOVEMBER

** November 12-14 - Annual Kentucky Academy of Science Conference, Jefferson Community College, Louisville. Geography and Geology professors and students presented papers on Friday November 13, 1998.
** November 16-20 -- National Geography Awareness Week
** November 19 - Dr. Fred Siewers: "Developing Course Internet Materials."

DECEMBER

** December 3 - Dr. John Philley (Morehead State): "Measuring the Effectiveness of Geology Departments using the ASBOG Licensing Examination."
** December 10 - Annual Christmas Luncheon 11:30 - 13:00, Room 304 EST.
** December 19 - Graduation Day. Congratulations to all of our graduating students from the Department of Geography and Geology!

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