



THE UNIVERSITY
of NORTH CAROLINA
at CHAPEL HILL

THIS WEEK IN GEOGRAPHY @ UNC

November 24-28, 2008

Happy Thanksgiving To All

- **Monday, November 24 + Tuesday, November 25**

Congratulations to all the UNC-CH Geographers who will present or poster their work at the *Annual Conference of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers* meeting to be held November 22-25 at the Greensboro Marriott Downtown hotel. Details are available at: <http://www.uncg.edu/geo/sedaag08/sedaag.html>

- **Stephen Birdsall:** 'Living Personal Memorials'. He will also chair a session on Cultural Geography, serve as a paper discussant, and report to the Steering Committee and to the Business Meeting on the activities of the division's Endowment Committee (for which he serves as the chair).
- **V. Escamilla, M. Emch, C. Feldacker, M. Yunus, V.D. Thiem, and M. Ali:** 'Local Environmental Drivers of Cholera in Bangladesh and Vietnam.'
- **Christopher Fuhrmann, Charles Konrad, Gretchen Carlson:** 'A Climatology of Extreme Weather Across the Southeast United States: Temporal Trends, Relationships with Circulation and Human Impacts.'
- **Christopher Fuhrmann, Gretchen S. Carlson, Charles E. Konrad, Peter J. Robinson:** 'Jet Stream or Jet Plane? The Effects of Climate on Influenza in the United States.'
- **Sophia Giebultowicz, Elisabeth Root and Michael Emch:** 'Indirect Protection due to Social Networks and Space in a Cholera Vaccine Trial.'
- **Chip Konrad, Chris Fuhrmann, and Gretchen Carlson:** 'The Clustering of Extreme Weather Events with Respect to Time and Their Relationship with the Planetary Scale Circulation.'
- **Nina Martin:** 'Precarious Jobs, Vulnerable Workers and Migrant Civil Society in Chicago.'
- **Joseph Palis and Matthew Reilly:** 'The Ties That Bind: Early Cinematic Representations of American Empire from the Philippines to Cuba 1899.'
- **Peter Robinson, Charles Konrad III, Christopher Furhman, Gretchen Carlson:** 'Cooperative Activities at the NOAA Southeast Regional Climate Center.'
- **Linda Quiquix:** 'Nationality "Undefined": Resistance, Refusal and Place-making Through Placing Subjects in *The Syrian Bride* (2004).'

Save the dates:

- **The 11th North Carolina GIS Conference** will be held February 19-20, 2009 at the new convention center in Raleigh. The G. Herbert Stout Award for Innovative Student Papers will recognize achievement and student excellence in GIS education. Submit your entry (paper along with other supporting materials, such as maps, GIS datasets, or programs) to liangj@email.unc.edu. Both graduate students and undergraduate students are eligible to participate. The Department of Geography will choose one winner from each group (graduate and undergraduate students) to compete with other schools. The paper could come from your GIS class project, or a research project which utilizes GIS techniques. The deadline for submitting paper is December 5th, 2008. We will notify you if you have been selected for the final paper competition. The student award winners will receive free registration and be invited to present their work at the conference. In addition, winners will be recognized at the closing luncheon and will receive a cash award of \$50 from the Department. For information about the conference: www.cgia.state.nc.us/ncgis2009

Undergraduate Student Achievements

- **Lisa E. Keaton:** "The New Baby Boom States" and **Amanda Chunco:** "The predicted hybrid zone between two species of spadefoot toads, using a model of habitat suitability". Winners of the 2008 GIS Day Map Competition.

Graduate Student Achievements

- **Liz Hennesey and Tim Baird** have each been awarded a UNC Graduate School Interdisciplinary Research Fellowship for Spring semester 2009.
- **3Cs disorientation Map and Guide** has been published in *Experimental Geography* (published by Melville House Publishing and distributed by Random House, 2008).

Faculty Achievements

- **Melinda Meade:** Professor Meade gave the Keynote Address for GIS Day, in Geography Week, at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on November 17th.
- **Nina Martin:** was an honorary coach at last week's women's basketball game!

This Week in Geography: Please send me details of departmental committee meetings, visitors, student exams, presentations, and other special events by Friday each week.