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As the World Turns!

Meet the GQ* Men! *Great Question (Leaders!)

Although they are not known for their sartorial savvy (with the exception of one who comes to the reading with a sports coat!), our Question Leaders have a wealth of experience and knowledge in their field. They hail from Nova Scotia, Canada; Marietta, Georgia; Tuscaloosa, Alabama; and Providence, Rhode Island.

How well do you know the GQL Men? The editorial staff has obtained “never before published” info on these guys for your perusal. Can you guess whose story matches the correct table leader? Answers will be provided to your table leader for prizes!

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Seen in the Dining Hall:

Several of our leaders were seen imbibing a strange drink at breakfast on Saturday. Lest you think College Board has relaxed its views on alcohol during the reading, you should know that this was a smoothie made with oats and strawberries, our own “grits martini”!
Why YOU should join NCGE and come to Tennessee!

The National Council for Geography Education (NCGE) conference is chock full of interesting workshops on topics such as: Geography and the Common Core, Instructional Geospatial Technology; and the latest research on how students learn to think spatially. There will be a special workshop on AP Human Geography from our leading luminaries (see side box) ➔ ➔

You will hear from experts at Google, ESRI, and the National Geographic Society. The keynote speakers include Brian Unger the host of the history channel series “How the States Got their Shapes” and Daniel Raven-Ellison, a National Geographic Explorer.

If you are not a member of NCGE, think of joining! Contact ncge@ncge.org or go to www.ncge.org to obtain additional info on member benefits and how to join.

For 2014 APHG Readers ONLY!!!! NCGE is offering the just-expired early bird price for any reader who signs up this week for the 2014 NCGE conference in Memphis. To get this offer, simply fill out a conference registration form located on the NCGE table and bring it to Paul Gray in the Chief Reader’s office. You can pay now or be billed directly by NCGE.

AP Human Geography at NCGE!
Saturday August 2, 2014, 8:00am to 11:45am
Peabody Hotel – Grand E

We welcome you to register (it is free!) for the Advanced Placement Human Geography Teachers Workshop during the 2014 NCGE. Seven current and past members of the AP Human Geography Test Development Committee will present classroom content material, each from one of the seven content areas on the exam. The workshop is intended for teachers at all experience levels.

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The 2014 National Conference on Geography Education (NCGE) is in Memphis, Tennessee!
July 31-August 3, 2014
The Peabody Memphis Hotel
Kudos to our talented group of readers and leaders!

Let’s face it: we are a super-talented bunch of geography buffs. Many of you won Best Teacher and Best Lecturer awards this year (please tell us who you are so we can include you in the next newsletter!)

We would also like to acknowledge the following people who have won American Association of Geographers (AAG) and NCGE awards:

- Douglas Batson received the 2014 Meredith F. Burrill Award from the AAG for work at the intersection of theoretical and applied geography.
- Dr. Michael Sublett Illinois State University, Normal, IL, a distinguished Mentor Award from NCGE;
- Dr. Niem Tu Huynh – Association of American Geographers, Washington, DC for best article on Geography Program Development from NCGE;

More awards continued on next page.....
Kudos and more kudos! (continued from p. 3)
Super congrats to our own Outstanding K-12 Teachers at NCGE!

- Michael Robinson- Houston High School, Germantown, TN
- Debra Coram Troxell–West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC
- Nancy H. Watson –Lawton Chiles High School, Tallahassee, FL;
- Lili Monk, for her article on “The trains don’t stop here anymore: Argentina’s Ghost Towns” in The Geography Teacher.
- Even though he is not here with us this year, we send a heartfelt shoutout to Harris Payne from Nebraska for winning an award for Outstanding Support for Geography Education.

For questions or to receive an electronic copy of this announcement to email your AP teacher colleagues, please contact Jon Moore at the Educational Testing Service, jbmoore@ets.org or (609) 683-2990.

Still looking for more presenters for our Professional (K)Night Round Table!
Don’t be bashful. I am sure there is a lesson you can share with your new friends at the reading. If you are interested, please contact Sharon Shelerud in Table 35.
Readers already planning to present, should meet with Sharon during the breaks to confirm their topics.

The Last Word....
For those who love art and walking the city, ArtWorks Cincinnati has an excellent website on where to find murals and other visual arts: http://www.artworkscincinnati.org/public-art/

Cincinnati murals in downtown area!