Dr. Barry Brunt is Professor of Geography at University College, Cork in Ireland. His research interests are economic geography and regional development. His work focuses on contemporary patterns and processes of industrialization and industrial restructuring within Ireland. The linkages between foreign direct investment, small-medium enterprises, and locally-owned businesses are central to his analysis of development studies. Dr. Brunt is also interested in examining port-based industrial and trade relationships as key issues for Ireland’s economy on the periphery of the European Union. Given the traditional roles of ports as growth centers for Irish regional development, the contemporary relationship between ports and their hinterlands is a critical agenda for his research.

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Cincinnati Reds Baseball Schedule

If you haven’t purchased tickets yet, consider catching a baseball game while here in town. It’s always a favorite activity.

Friday, June 5: vs Padres
Start 7:10 pm
(Friday is dine-out night at the AP Reading—no dinner will be served at the Duke Energy Center)

Monday, June 8: vs Phillies
Start 7:10 pm

Sign the “Happy Retirement” card for Dave Lanegran

Former Chief Reader (2007-2013) and long-time AP HUG leader Dave Lanegran could not attend the reading this year because he is celebrating his retirement with friends and colleagues at Macalester this week. Although Dave is retiring he plans to be active in the Minnesota Geographic Alliance and may attend a reading in the future. Please stop by the table near the break area TODAY to sign the “happy retirement” card which we will send to Dave in time for his retirement party on June 5.

Top 5 Places to Eat Cincinnati Chili

1. Camp Washington Chili
   3005 Colerain Ave., Camp Washington, (513) 541-0061, campwashingtonchili.com

2. Pleasant Ridge Chili
   6032 Montgomery Rd., Pleasant Ridge, (513) 531-2365, pleasantaridgechili.com

3. Blue Ash Chili
   9565 Kenwood Rd., Blue Ash, (513) 984-6107, blueashchili.com

4. Park Chili Parlor
   4160 Hamilton Ave., Northside (513) 541-9902

5. Blue Jay Restaurant
   4154 Hamilton Ave., Northside, (513) 541-0847

From Zeigler, page 1… Each of you are needed here in Cincinnati as we struggle to fairly and accurately score almost half a million answers to free-response questions. We need you to give your ‘all’ to the work at hand, but we also want you to use this opportunity to expand your social horizons by meeting new people, to better your teaching skills by attending the evening professional development events, and to become better geographers by wearing out a little shoe leather on city’s sidewalks. As for me, I am happy to be back again as Chief Reader. This is my second year in the position. I look forward to personally meeting as many of you as I can over the week ahead. Please remember: it is you who make the Reading a success. All we do in the Chief Reader’s tent is grease the gears and slick the skids.

Again, for all your hard work, we say a hearty thank you.
Don Zeigler, Chief Reader
http://geographicallyyours.blogspot.com/

P.S.: Just for fun, I invite you to visit my daily photoblog. This week, I am posting some pictures that you will literally LOVE.
Ask the Experts

Featuring APHG Teachers: Penny Anderson, Allison Martin Hunt, Ken Keller, Jody Smothers-Marcello and Nancy Watson

What is your advice for first-time AP Human Geography Readers here in Cincinnati?

**Penny Anderson:** First, meet up with your state alliance and/or other readers from your state. Take your state reader picture. See about doing a state reader dinner. If your state is sparsely represented, then join a fellow table reader's state. Second, get to know and have fun with your fellow table readers. Move around and work as pairs throughout the week. It's a great way to connect to more readers.

**Allison Martin Hunt:** Sometimes it is easy to feel that you are the only new reader, but there are many new readers! Don’t hesitate to join in. Invite people to sit with you at meals or invite yourself to sit at a table with others. I have developed numerous friendships with people across the country from the reading. Those friendships have enhanced me both personally and professionally. Also, realize that you are NOT grading like you would in your own classroom, but instead you a scoring based on a standardized rubric. In the interest of fairness to the students and the integrity of the exam scoring you MUST be “one with the rubric?”

**Ken Keller:** Work hard during the day and relax in the evening. Explore the city. Lots to do at all different levels of interest.

**Jody Smothers-Marcello** Use the experience as a learning opportunity. Take everything you learn and use it to strengthen your teaching. You don’t have to know all the answers straight away. Listen to your colleagues. Know that how you teach now will be transformed by the reading. You are here. Enjoy.

**Nancy Watson:** First, make friends, take advantage of the collective knowledge of the course, work hard when we read, then relax and have fun. Cincy has some great ways to treat yourself - a Red’s game, the Underground Railroad Museum, Fountain Square, etc. Second, understand that we do not grade FRQs, this is different from scoring. “Become one with the rubric” You can disagree, but for the system to work, you have to score in the same way as everyone else - strictly by the rubric.

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**The T-Shirt Preview**

The amazing Laura Martin Makey has come up once again with a winning design for our 2015 T-shirt. She will reveal the design on later today.
Short Takes on the City: An urban geographer’s perspective
By Lisa Benton-Short, your Assistant Chief Reader

In 1996, the city of Cincinnati proposed building two new stadiums, The Great American Ballpark (for the Reds) and Paul Brown Stadium (for the Bengals) as anchors for wider riverfront redevelopment in the city. Paul Brown Stadium opened in 2000; The Great American Ballpark opened in 2003. But the costs were high. Collectively the two stadiums cost almost $800 million. Meanwhile, after another decade of planning (and politics) The Banks project was approved in 2007. The Banks is an 18-acre development between the two stadiums. The first phase, which opened in the summer of 2011 offered some 300 apartment units and mixed-use retail that includes Yard House, Tin Roof and Mahogany’s. The second phase is still under construction and will provide another 300 apartments and 60,000 square feet of street level retail. When completed, the Banks will connect the Bicentennial Commons and Sawyer Point in an almost 3-mile corridor of public park along the river featuring playgrounds, boat docks, green spaces, gardens, bike trails, and water features. Like Cincinnati, many cities around the United States have envisioned such projects as ways to revitalize areas. But some urban scholars have been critical: stadium construction is costly (in the billions) and taxpayers are on the hook to finance construction based on overly optimistic revenue assumptions. It’s worth walking The Banks as an example of urban riverfront revitalization and create a great lesson for the classroom.

Dr. Barry Brunt, The European Union: Demographics and Geographics
Professional Development Night Speaker, Tuesday, June 2nd

From page 1… Dr. Brunt has also researched how Ireland’s membership in the European Union generates major changes within national and regional development. EU structural funds have an important role in reshaping the national and regional economy, and are important to understanding Ireland’s evolving relationships with the EU. Dr. Brunt has authored numerous books including A Geography of Great Britain and Ireland, and A Social and Economic Geography of Western Europe and most recently, Dynamic Human Geography.

Dr. Brunt teaches courses that include: Economic Geography, Industrial Development and the New Industrial Spaces, Regional Planning and Development in Ireland, The Geography and Policy Agendas of the European Union. His talk tonight will be “The European Union: Demographics and Geographics.”

Reception at 6:30pm
Talk begins at 7:00pm
in Junior Ballroom D