

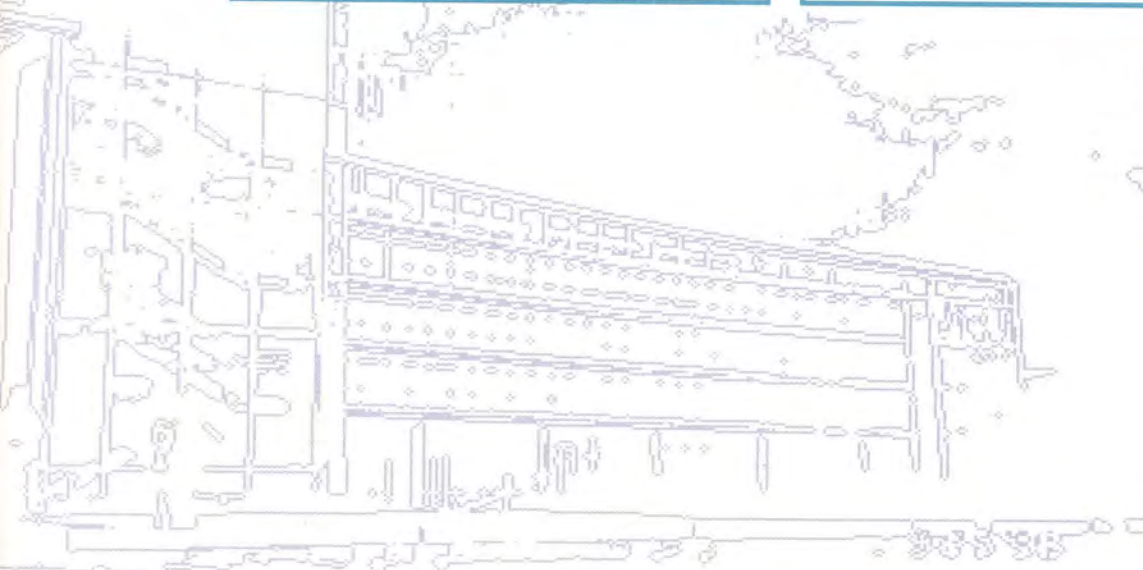
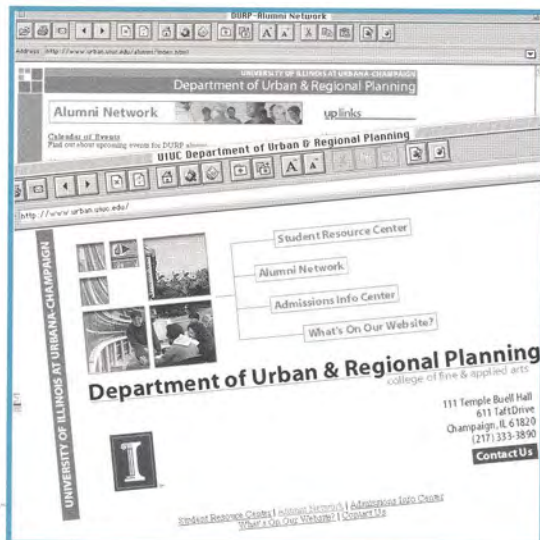
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It is a real pleasure to launch Volume 20 of DURP's Alumni News. As the title implies, the principal purpose for this biennial publication is to celebrate the accomplishments of our global network of planning alumni. To this end, we are thrilled to be able to provide updates on more than 130 DURP alumni. It is truly inspiring to see in one place profiles of diverse professional careers that have been shaped by the Department's distinguished faculty over the past half century. If you include the Department's active emeriti faculty, the collective memory of the current faculty reaches back to those of you who were here as early as the 1950s. As a newcomer to the Illinois faculty, I have been fascinated and inspired by the Department's rich traditions that have unfolded through your personal updates.



Another important purpose of the Alumni News is to briefly update our constituents on the many exciting initiatives that have positioned the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in the vanguard of planning education. As impressed as we ought to be with the Illinois planning legacy, it is the accomplishments of the current faculty and student body that make our program such a remarkable enterprise. For one thing, the Department is in a growth mode, with the addition of regional planner/economist, Dr. Andrew Isserman (see biosketch), the hiring of a new International Planning faculty member for the start of AY 1999/2000, and a student body of approximately 175 apportioned through our three planning programs. The successful promotion and tenure process of four Assistant Professors since 1996 (Varkki George, Rob Olshansky, Ken Reardon and Dan Schneider) also has sustained departmental growth and has lent a marked degree of stability to the Department. All four are exuberant teachers at the undergraduate and graduate levels as well as accomplished scholars and practitioners. Three have their research funded through prestigious National Science Foundation grants, while the fourth (Ken) has been principally responsible for transforming the East St. Louis Action Research Project from

an unfunded service learning endeavor into an internationally-acclaimed showcase of applied research with an annual funding level now at approximately \$500,000 (see story on page 3).

Varkki George's funded research centers around computer applications to learning and planning analysis, with the most recent major funded initiative, "Evolving Urban Dynamics: Ecology, Modeling and Visualization," serving as a pilot project for the new environmental rehearsal computer laboratory that was established with a grant from Intel (see story on page 6). Rob Olshansky's niche is land use planning for hazards, especially earthquakes. His research on the

Kobe and Los Angeles earthquakes ties into the newly created Mid-America Earthquake Center here at the University of Illinois. Dan Schneider, our resident ecologist, has been generously funded for his research on zebra mussels and the ecology of the Illinois River as well as community-based environmental monitoring and evaluation in Mexico (which is being assisted by doctoral student, Lisa Henne). His appointment as the first director of the Environmental Honors Program links DURP to a campus wide interdisciplinary initiative in environmental studies.

Other senior faculty have accomplishments every bit as noteworthy. Kieran Donaghy has been working with Giancarlo Gandolfo at the University of Rome to establish macroeconomic models for the Italian economy, conducting training for European economists, managing the daily affairs of the Regional Science Association International, and coordinating the Ph.D. in Regional Planning program. T. John Kim and Gerrit Knaap recently published (1998) a new book, Environmental Program Evaluation, and John has another book, Network Infrastructure and the Urban Environment: Advances in Spatial Systems Modeling, January 1999. John is very active in GIS circles especially related to transportation planning, while he continues to support masters and doctoral students through his Expert Planning Information

Laboratory. Bruce Williams, who spent the Fall 1998 semester as a Visiting Scholar at the London School of Economics, had his book *Democracy, Dialogue, and Environmental Disputes* published in paperback in 1997. Another book, *Public Opinion: Communication and Social Process*, will be coming out from Westview Press in 1999.

A research collaboration between Gerrit Knaap and Lew Hopkins on "Do Plans Matter?" has been supported since 1994 by the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy and the National Science Foundation. Gerrit's paper, "Willingness to Pay for Greenway Projects," was selected the best paper at the 1997 Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Conference. This complements his award-winning research on growth management and land use economics. In 1998, he was selected as Co-Editor of the *International Regional Science Review*. Along with John Kim's editorship of the *Annals of Regional Science*, the Department boasts a lead editorial role in two of three important regional studies journals.

As if two journal editorships isn't enough, departmental faculty have assumed another major planning publication responsibility. Fresh from my own rewarding ten-year stint as Co-Book Review Editor and Co-Editor of the *Journal of the American Planning Association* (1988-1998), it was gratifying that three DURP faculty (Leonard Heumann, Olshansky and Zorica Nedović-Budić) prepared a successful proposal for the position of Co-Book Review Editors of JAPA under the new editorial team from Portland State University. Besides serving on the book review team, Zorica has NSF funding for her research on GIS applications in planning (see story on page 5) and has launched a new project on planning in the changing political economies of central and eastern Europe. She chairs the Program Committee for the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association and through her teaching ensures that our students are well prepared to benefit from our "state-of-the-art" GIS facilities. Len continues his scholarship on housing for the aged and has also taken on an administrative role in the university's public service and community research initiatives, Partnership Illinois.

Keeping our students ahead of the technological curve is a continuing strength of the Illinois program as is linking them to the profession and our faculty play important roles beyond their teaching and research activities in this regard. After a most enlightening Fulbright year in Nepal, Lew Hopkins

returned to leveler ground to serve as Chair of the Planning Accreditation Board. At the same time, Clyde Forrest serves as Chair of the Environment, Natural Resources and Energy Division of the American Planning Association and has been active on APA's Policy Committee in shaping a position on sustainable development. At the APA conference in Boston in 1998, 47 UIUC students were assisting the conference and learning first hand from professionals. Beginning Fall 1998, the Department launched a Professional Planners Luncheon Forum to expose students to the world of planning practice as defined by the practitioners themselves. We are also offering a new course in professional practice as one tool to ensure its students a carefully crafted blend of the theory and practice of planning.

This brief summary is but the tip of the iceberg. I've barely touched upon the work of the East St. Louis Action Research Project, the Department's international initiatives, and such innovative projects as our work with Geographic Information Systems and planning. You'll find details on these and much more within. In closing I want to stress that this is a tremendously exciting time for the faculty and students here in Urbana-Champaign. We are engaged in some path setting efforts in planning education. If you who get a chance to come for a visit, you will see this for yourself in the not-too-distant future. You will see that we are enriched by a first-class teaching and learning environment here in Temple Buell Hall and by a dedicated and talented staff.

In the meantime, we hope that *Alumni News* provides a window into our tremendously exciting present, and inspires your continued involvement with a truly great program. We are ever mindful that our alumni represent the Department's most important asset, for your accomplishments are the most accurate measure of the quality of our efforts. Over the next few years we hope to engage you more fully in this enterprise.

—Christopher Silver, AICP



THE EAST ST. LOUIS ACTION RESEARCH PROJECT, "KEEPS ON ROLLIN!"

—Kenneth M. Reardon



ESLARP Computer Fun Day.

The East St. Louis Action Research Project (ESLARP) was initiated by urban planning students and faculty in the Summer of 1990. The project was launched to provide technical assistance to East St. Louis residents and officials seeking to stabilize and revitalize their community. Within a short time, students and faculty from the School of Architecture and the Department of Landscape Architecture joined the effort! During the past nine years, more than 3,000 UIUC students have completed more than 300 community outreach, urban research, neighborhood planning, urban design, and building plans for more than a dozen community-based organizations and municipal agencies. Many of these projects have produced dramatic improvements in the lives of East St. Louis residents!

ESLARP students and faculty have collaborated with local residents and municipal officials to complete six neighborhood plans, establish three community-based development corporations, operate summer programs exposing hundreds

of East St. Louis youth to career opportunities in the design professions, construct four community playgrounds,

“ . . . dust off your old work clothes and join the Department on one of its regularly scheduled East St. Louis Work Weekends ”

build a downtown farmers’ market, repair and paint more than 75 homes, build six new residences, establish a pumpkin farm and a tree nursery, clean hundreds of lots, raise funds to re-open the Katherine Dunham Dynamic Museum, renovate an abandoned school as a community center, aid the city in re-establishing its planning commission, train more than one hundred local residents in basic community planning skills through its “East St. Louis Neighborhood College”, establish three public-access, community-based computer labs with Internet access and much more!

This year is developing into yet another very successful year for this unique interdisciplinary community development assistance project. In May of 1998, state housing officials announced a \$29 million grant to build 240 units of affordable rental housing and 75 units of homeowner housing in the heart of East St. Louis’s Emerson Park neighborhood. This grant followed nine years of consistent UIUC involvement in and support for the Emerson Park Development Corporation which is directed by an ESLARP alumnus. Developer interest and state support for the project skyrocketed when UIUC planners and designers convinced regional transportation officials to re-align the proposed route



The ESLARP Work Weekend of October 2-3, 1998.

On Saturday afternoon everything seemed to be running smoothly. The A-1 rental tools were returned on time. The projects were finishing up, when late in the day at the two homes in Emerson Park, the top soil arrived. There was clearly too much work for the small team of students led by Cathy Klump and Yong Wook Kim. Each of the other three teams of volunteers, instead of going home on time at the end of their work, joined together to even the soil, spread and seed and cover it with straw.



COPC Conference Highlights.

of the Metro Link light rail line through the Emerson Park community. UIUC planners and architects also played an important role in encouraging McCormack and Baron, one of the Midwest's most well respected developers of affordable housing, to become involved in the "Parsons Place" project.

In July, ESLARP helped East St. Louis' Neighborhood-Based Family Housing Program complete construction of their fifth and sixth new single-family homes in the Emerson Park area. At the same time, ESLARP staff completed plans and secured funding for upgrading the Katherine Dunham Dynamic Museum's plumbing system and redesigning its public gardens and artisan village. On September 24th and 25th more than 150 academics from 80 colleges and universities from across the country came to East St. Louis to participate in the 1998 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's National Grantees Conference hosted by ESLARP. The highlight of the conference was a series of charettes focused on critical environmental, economic and social problems confronting the region co-facilitated by local residents and UIUC faculty. ESLARP staff worked with municipal officials in East St. Louis, St. Louis and Wellston on the successful \$100 million Empowerment Zone grant recently awarded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

DURP alumni interested in the department's ongoing community-building efforts in East St. Louis are invited to visit the ESLARP web site at: <http://www.imlab.uiuc.edu/eslarp> or our recently-established East St. Louis Neighborhood Technical Assistance Center located at 348 R Collinsville Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois, 62201. For directions call Cathy Klump, NTAC Director (MUP '99). An even better idea would be to dust off your old work clothes and join the Department on one of its regularly scheduled "East St. Louis Work Weekends" —*we'll save a hammer for you!*



ESLARP Retreat with Community Partners.



URPS Summer Youth Program '98.



1998 Blitz Build.



COORDINATING DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION DATABASES

Research Project Funded by the National Science Foundation



Principal Investigators:

Zorica Nedović-Budić, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Jeffrey K. Pinto, Penn State at Erie

Intensified diffusion of geographic information systems (GIS) among government and private sector agencies has led to a proliferation of digital spatial databases and has made

the issue of data sharing and partnerships the most emergent one. A substantial amount of research and experience indicates that in spite of governmental calls to the contrary (e.g. the National Spatial Data Infrastructure initiative), few public agencies and governments are willing to share geographic information across organization boundaries, leading to substantial duplication and inefficiencies. The primary objective of this research was to formally identify and verify factors and processes influencing sharing of geographic information systems both with units within an organization and between organizations. The project particularly focused on describing the current practices of sharing, and exploring the behavioral and organizational factors that can facilitate or inhibit the flow of geographic information.

Following an extensive literature review, the researchers conducted a multiple case study of sharing situations relevant at local and regional level government agencies and other organizations. The sample included five multi-organizational setups in which geographic information systems, data, or both are jointly developed or used. Site visits, interviews and documentation were the main source of evidence.

The cases offered a rich and invaluable insight into the motivations for the data sharing initiatives, the organizational structures and policies developed to facilitate sharing, and the key events in the data sharing efforts. A number of findings emerged from the research. First, although the research focus was on inter-organizational system development, a variety of other forms of geographic information relationship were encountered, including: data purchase, data exchange, project-driven data efforts, data acquisition, database development and/or maintenance, and system development. The joint involvement in GIS, therefore ranged from database only to various forms of sharing personnel, space, and applications. The more attempts were made toward joint application developments the more difficult it was to maintain a sound relationship and achieve project objectives. Relationships focused on data only were

generally easier to manage. Less emphasis on profits and ownership also led to more success and better quality of the relationships. Most of the relationships were formalized through agreements and contracts, and were coordinated with joint management and usually with an extensive committee structure.

In attempting a sharing relationship, several key coordination issues must be addressed, including; 1) the physical location of the coordinating or service unit, 2) the need for the perception of equity in sharing data, 3) the need to settle the contributions of key players, 4) a sense of equal access to and control of the data, and 5) the ability of different participants to adopt the technology and to respond to the partnership roles and responsibilities. Persistence in negotiating, teamwork, commitment, and flexibility were the crucial factors that enabled successful geographic information relationships. General implementation lessons were also uncovered in the cases analyzed. Those lessons include: 1) the need for support and leadership of top administrators, management, technical staff, and financial personnel, 2) the need for secure long-term funding, 3) a well-defined project scope, 4) the importance of timing of training, equipment, and database installation, 5) the need to manage the user expectations about the amount and quality of data available, 6) importance of cross-organizational communications to resolve disputes and misunderstandings, 7) the need to demonstrate clear progress in order to allay political pressures, and 8) the necessity of managing personalities and agendas. The interviewees identified the consistency in base map sources and format (due to utilization of a common database, compatible software, and equipment) and enhanced interpersonal relationships as the major benefits from coordinated GIS development.

From the identified factors and processes, our goal is to develop an analytically-based model of information sharing that can predict whether geographic information is likely to be freely and comprehensively shared across organizational boundaries and identify optimal sharing arrangements and conditions. In the cases of non-sharing and wasteful duplication of effort, the model should also identify those technical, economic, institutional, and social variables that are the most critical in impeding the data and information sharing process. This model will be based on data collected from a nationwide large-scale survey that is currently under way.

NEW ENVIRONMENTAL REHEARSAL STUDIO FOR DURP

With a \$300,000 equipment grant from Intel Corporation, DURP and other units in Fine and Applied Arts have jointly established the Environment Rehearsal Studio in Buell Hall. The Studio is a specialized high-performance computing facility to advance environment rehearsal technology (visualizing and testing future natural and built environments). The Studio will enable faculty and students to explore the environmental and human effects of designed and planned places, and to develop a better understanding of how the use of environment rehearsals contributes to and modifies human creative processes. A cluster of ten advanced graphics workstations housed in Room 20 Temple Buell Hall provides the computing support for cooperative work with interactive modeled environments. Associate Professor Varkki George, who is leading the effort, is also a Co-Principal Investigator in a new 2-year, \$500,000 National Science Foundation grant "Evolving Urban Dynamics: Ecology, Modeling and Visualization."

PATHWAYS IN AMERICAN PLANNING HISTORY

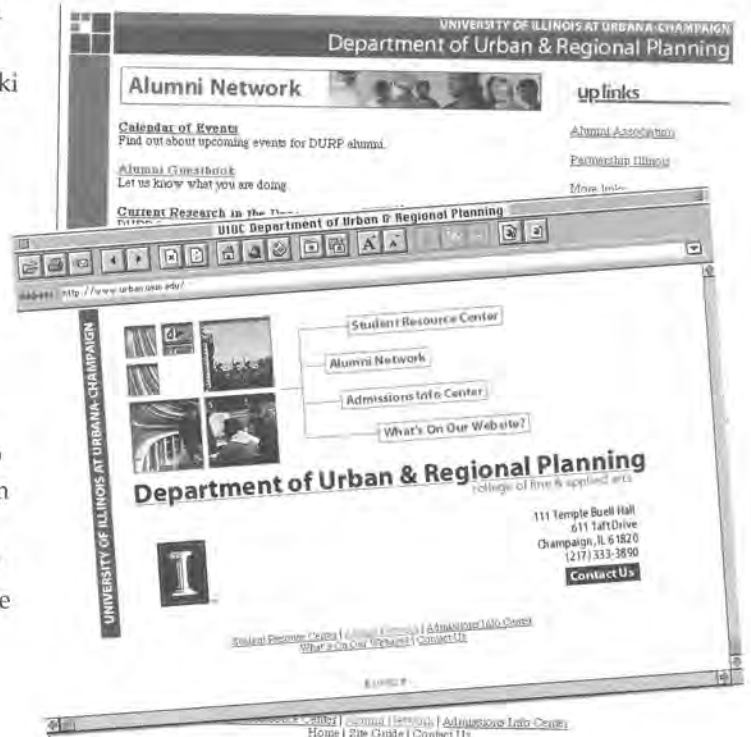
Al Guttenberg's multi-thematic planning history chronology, *Pathways in American Planning History*, was on display on computer terminals at the Art Institute of Chicago as part of the Institute's exhibition of original renderings from Daniel Burnham and Edward Bennett's 1909 *Plan of Chicago* from February 10 through April 11, 1999. The chronology can also be found on the American Planning Association's website at <http://www.planning.org/info/intro.htm>.

PRACTITIONERS IN RESIDENCE

To expose DURP students to the world of professional planning, two new programs were launched this year. One is the Professional Planners' Lunchtime Forum series. Throughout the academic year, between four and six prominent planning professionals will join students and faculty to discuss the unique challenges of professional practice that they face in their jurisdiction. The Fall 1998 program featured Joy Mee (MUP '70), Assistant Planning Director of Phoenix and Frank So, Executive Director of APA. In late February 1999, Jim Halverson (MUP '88), Director of Development, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, discussed the challenges of rapid growth in small cities. The other new program is the Planner-in-Residence Workshop. In the Spring 1999 semester, consultant John McNamara (BARCH '73), a principal in the planning, transportation, engineering and urban design firm BRW, Inc. is serving as Practitioner-in-Residence and offering a course entitled "Issues in Planning Practice: Introduction to Private Practice." Generous support from DURP alumni have made it possible to launch these two programs.

1999 AICP FELLOWS HONORED

Lachlan Blair (Professor Emeritus), Kenneth Sulzer (MS 1962), Robert Teska (MS 1961) and Louis Wetmore (Professor Emeritus), are among the first certified planners in North America to be elected as a Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP). They will be honored for their individual achievements in the field of urban and rural planning at a ceremony in Seattle, WA, on April 24 during the 1999 National Planning Conference. Come help us honor these Illinois Fellows at the Illinois Reception during the APA Conference. The Reception will be from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the Grand Ballroom B of the Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers, 1400 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA.



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<http://www.urban.uiuc.edu>.

This will lead you to a number of different sources of current information about the Department. Our web site has been recently revamped and is constantly being updated, so please make sure you check with us frequently. Any suggestions for how the web site might better serve your needs are welcome. You can provide feedback by calling, writing, or sending e-mail to web@mailhost.urban.uiuc.edu



WELCOME DEAN CONLIN

Kathleen F. Conlin joined the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as Dean of the College of Fine and Applied Arts on October 1, 1996. She is Vice-President for the National Association of Schools of Theatre, has also served on the boards of the National Theatre Conference, URTA and the Ohio Arts Council. She has been a member of four university faculties, earning teaching awards and holding an endowed faculty fellowship at The University of Texas at Austin.

Dean Conlin earned a Ph.D. in Theatre from the University of Michigan and completed postdoctoral studies at the University of Birmingham, Stratford-upon-Avon, England. Active in international venues, she was one of twelve Americans chosen for a theatre delegation to the People's Republic of China.

Dean Conlin leads a College which includes three Schools, four departments and two centers; The Krannert Center for the Performing Arts and the Krannert Art Museum, oversees the I space Gallery in Chicago, a newly built Japan House and the East St. Louis Action Research Project. She has been developing several interdisciplinary projects in the

College which include Computing for the Arts and a Ford Foundation Seminar in Area Studies and the Arts. She chairs the Board of Directors for the University Arboretum and serves on the Advisory Committee for the Allerton Park and Conference Center and the admissions committee for the Medical/Scholars Program. She is also an invited presenter for leadership conferences in the University and for the Big Ten Universities CIC.

Dean Conlin continues her professional work as Resident Director and Casting Director for the Utah Shakespearean Festival and freelances with other professional theatres.



Dean Kathleen F. Conlin

CITY PLANNING AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE LIBRARY

The City Planning and Landscape Architecture (CPLA) Library is renowned in that it is considered to be one of the oldest and most comprehensive collections of its kind in the nation. One of the reasons for its strength is that the collection began with the very founding of the University in 1867, therefore, its historical holdings are particularly well-known. The landscape architecture component of the collection began with the founding of the University; the city planning component began in 1913, when the country's first professor of city planning, Charles M. Robinson, joined the faculty. Today the total collection stands at more than 150,000 volumes. The CPLA Library adds approximately 800 new monographs annually and maintains a current collection of theses completed by students in the departments of Urban and Regional Planning and Landscape Architecture.

Considered one of the most interdisciplinary collections in the University Library, the unit offers selections in the areas of land-use policy, environmental planning and law, waste management, low-cost community housing and community



services, demographics, historic preservation, landscape design, ecology, third-world planning issues, local government, tourism, environmental planning and management, and many other facets of city planning and landscape architecture. As a library that is recognized for the breadth and depth of its printed collections, CPLA Library offers the latest state-of-the-art service. The Library provides to the users the best electronic products available, such as compact discs, videos and other non-print sources including microfiche and slides.

The Library has a home page site at the following url: <http://www.library.uiuc.edu/cpx/> Included in the home page are web sites for planners and landscape architects, current listings of CPLA New Book Acquisitions, CPLA Chronological Listings of Masters' Theses/Projects and Doctoral Theses (dating from the 1920s to the present), CPLA Videos/Slides List, CD-ROMs which are available in the CPLA Library, and much more. Please check our web site.



1998 conference for City Engineers and Planners from Beijing, China.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS IN DURP

An area of growing strength in DURP is in international planning. During 1998/99, the Department recruited a new Assistant Professor of International Planning as part of a University-wide initiative to strengthen the international dimension of teaching, research and service. This new faculty member will play a key role in shaping the expanding international initiatives of the Department, including teaching courses in international planning, advising students on international planning opportunities, collaborating with faculty on international projects, and participating in the university-wide international activities.

The Department's linkage with the University of Sheffield, UK continues to support student exchanges at the undergraduate level. In 1997/98, three DURP students attended Sheffield. Five Sheffield students are presently enrolled in DURP courses. New inter-university linkages with the University of Rome, Italy and with the Institute of Technology, Bandung, Indonesia and the University of Indonesia, Jakarta will create opportunities for student and faculty exchanges and collaboration. Another new initiative that began in 1998 was the Department's participation in a six-university consortium, funded by the U.S. Department of Education, focusing on "Comparative Regional Policy and Development in the Era of

Territorial Integration." This consortium seeks to improve the knowledge base of regional development policy, building student capacities to use distance learning technologies, and strengthening university capacity to use shared instructional resources. It involves students and faculty from UIUC, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Carnegie Mellon University, Humboldt University, Berlin, Rijksuniversiteit, Groningen, Netherlands, and Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration, Austria. On-going collaborations with Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea, Aalborg University, Denmark, and a inter-university consortium dealing with issues related to watershed management in Canada and Mexico (involving Concordia University and the University of Guelph, Canada, Michoacan University, Mexico and the University of Wisconsin, Madison) provide DURP students with a rich variety of international programs.

DURP faculty have been actively involved in a wide range of international activities. Lew Hopkins spent the better part of his 1997/98 sabbatical at Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal teaching on GIS applications to planning. Clyde Forrest helped to prepare the curriculum for a land use planning training course under the Municipal Finance Project in Jakarta, Indonesia. During the Spring 1998 semester, Kieran



Donaghy participated in an economic modeling project at the University of Rome and returned to Italy in January 1999 to conduct training to staff at the Bank of Italy. Dividing his attentions between Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and Seoul, Korea, John Kim continues to provide advice on GIS applications, transportation planning and land use planning. Department Head, Christopher Silver, spent the previous three years (1995 through December 1997) as an Urban Development Advisor to the National Development Planning Board, Jakarta, Indonesia. He and Gerrit Knaap visited the Institute of Technology, Bandung in early May 1998 and again in December 1998 to launch a research collaboration in the areas of land use, community development and tourism planning. Daniel Schneider continues his research on community-based environmental assessment strategies in Mexico, while Len Heumann is active in the international association, Systems Science in Health and Human Services for the Elderly. Two exciting international research projects are Rob Olshansky's analysis of post-disaster redevelopment in Kobe, Japan funded by the National Science Foundation and Zorica Nedović-Budić's study of planning practices in new nations of Central and Eastern Europe. In the Fall of 1998, Bruce Williams was a visiting scholar at the London School of Economics, UK. In December 1997, Varkki George presented a paper at the 5th International Conference on Computers in Urban Planning and Urban Management in New Delhi, India.

The Department conducted a training program, "United States Municipal Planning for the 21st Century," for city engineers and planners from Beijing, China from June 15 through June 26, 1998.

VISITING INTERNATIONAL FACULTY

In 1997/98, Bjarni Reynarsson (Ph.D. Geography '80), Assistant Director of the City Planning Office, Reykjavik, Iceland (and a UIUC alumnus) conducted research on U.S. planning practices. At the same time, Zuoquan Zhao, from the Peoples Republic of China, carried out research on Sustainable Development. In April 1998, Professor Yuri Bocharov, Institute of Town Planning, Moscow, Russia, presented a lecture on contemporary changes in Moscow social, economic and political conditions.

Two Fulbright scholars, Linda Mitrojorgji from Tirana, Albania and Asmatullah Khan, from Pakistan University, Gomal, Pakistan spent the 1998/99 academic year in the Department. During the Fall 1998 semester, Russell Cooper, Professor of Economics at University of Western Sydney, Sydney, Australia examined linkages between planning and economic modeling. In the Spring 1999 semester, Daniela Federici, University of Rome, is in residence teaching a course on International Economics for Planners.



Ib Jorgensen.

In January 1999, Dr. Ib Jorgensen, Associate Professor in Cultural Sociology and Planning at the University of Aalborg, Denmark, presented a lecture, "The Europeans Spatial Development Perspective and the Emerging Transnational Regions," in which he explored the planning implications of the European Union initiative. UIUC and Aalborg have a cooperative arrangement and one of Professor Jorgensen's students, Janni Sorenson, is currently enrolled in the Ph.D. in Regional Planning here at UIUC.

In March 1999, Professor Des Gasper from the Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, presented a paper, "The Logical Framework Approach Beyond the Project Enclave: Monitoring and Evaluation of Humanitarians in Complex Emergencies."

INDONESIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

Four Indonesian regionalists joined DURP faculty and students for a one-day seminar, "Regional Development Challenges in Indonesia" on February 8, 1999. Co-sponsored by DURP, the World Bank, the Department of Economics at the University of Indonesia, and the Regional Economics Applications Laboratory, UIUC, the seminar presented research on the impact of Indonesia's economic and political crisis on industrialization, intergovernmental fiscal relations, spatial development, poverty alleviation and working conditions. The University of Indonesia delegation included Bambang Brodjonegoro and Raksaka Mahi, both UIUC doctoral alums, along with Associate Dean Ari Kuncoro and faculty member Suahasil Nazara. Professor Geoffrey Hewings presented a paper on "Hierarchical Fields of Influence of Spatial Exchange," and Christopher Silver discussed the "Evolution of INPRES and Regional Development in Indonesia." The seminar launched what will be an annual visit by Indonesian scholars to strengthen collaborative research on urban and regional development issues.

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KIERAN P. DONAGHY

Associate Professor of Urban and Regional Planning; PhD, Cornell University, 1987



The thread connecting Dr. Donaghy’s diverse areas of research, teaching, and practice is an interest in developing dynamic models that will help communities, states, and countries to understand how complex social and natural systems are interrelated and how different courses of action may alter evolving patterns for better or worse. His

applied research has been focused on transportation planning, state and local development, macroeconomic policy, arms race and military spending issues, and the coordination of international economic policies. One of the few continuous-time applied econometricians working in this country, he has taught courses in economic development, planning theory, and formal modeling for planning and public policy analysis. Before coming to the University of Illinois, Dr. Donaghy taught at Cornell University and the University of Delaware. He has served as a consultant to the World Bank and various international, state, and local agencies. A closet social theorist, he can be heard around the department singing little known verses of obscure old songs.

“ The belief that vital, vibrant urban places contribute significantly to quality of life in cities is central to Dr. George’s work. ”

CLYDE W. FORREST

Professor and Associate Head, Urban and Regional Planning; JD, University of Tulsa, 1962



With the University since 1967, Professor Forrest is both an attorney and planner. He has been in private practice and served as Assistant Director of the Office of Urban and Community Planning, University of Oklahoma. From 1959 to 1962 he was the legal coordinator for the Tulsa

Metropolitan Area Planning Commission. Recognized as an expert on state and local land use, zoning, and subdivision law, he has written model legislation for the State of Illinois; consulted with federal, state, and local governments; and led public service and continuing education programs in planning and environmental law. He teaches law and planning implementation, environmental law, local government law and planning negotiation. Research includes studies of groundwater, federal environmental regulation, and land-use controls in relation to the taking issue. He is Professional Development Officer of the Illinois Chapter of the American Planning Association. Professor Forrest served as Director of the Illinois General Assembly’s Land Resources Study Commission. He is Coordinator of the Master of Urban Planning program and Associate Head of the Department.

R. VARKKI GEORGE

Associate Professor of Urban and Regional Planning; PhD, Ohio State University, 1992



The belief that vital, vibrant urban places contribute significantly to quality of life in cities is central to Dr. George’s work. He draws on his undergraduate education in architecture, his experience as a professional architect, and his graduate studies in planning to explore how such spaces can be designed in today’s world. This exploration has taken him

in two directions: one having to do with what urban design does, the other with how we design and plan, especially using computers. He teaches courses in urban design, and in developing and communicating

planning ideas and arguments, both graphically and verbally. His current research projects involve applying hypermedia technology to planning and urban design, and customizing commercial software for use by planners. More recently, he has been involved in using asynchronous learning technologies (that reinforce and facilitate learning outside face-to-face situations) in his courses.

LEONARD HEUMANN

Professor of Urban and Regional Planning and Professor of Psychology; PhD, University of Pennsylvania, 1973



Dr. Heumann is one of our country's most active applied researchers in housing policy as it affects minority and elderly persons. He has completed studies of how stable interracial neighborhoods evolve, how to develop better housing for low-income and functionally disabled seniors, and how to improve the analytical tools used

by local planners to uncover and correct low-income housing problems. The scope of his research ranges from domestic to comparative international policy analysis. In recent trips abroad, he has studied advanced housing programs for elderly persons in Great Britain, Germany, The Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, Israel, Australia and Japan. Dr. Heumann teaches courses in housing, social welfare planning, planning practice and planning theory. His workshop courses have won national APA awards. He has written papers in all these areas, and three books on housing and social gerontology. He is the campus coordinator of "Community Vitality and Economic Development Initiatives," one of five areas where the University is creating partnerships between its researchers and private and public community groups. His most recent book is reaching completion, it is a co-edited book entitled: "Empowering Frail Elderly People: Opportunities and Impediments in Housing, Health and Support Service Delivery."

LEWIS D. HOPKINS

Professor of Urban and Regional Planning and Landscape Architecture PhD, University of Pennsylvania, 1975



Two questions frame Dr. Hopkins' interests: "How can we create better plans?" and "When are plans worth making and why?" He is curious about issues that arise in both: avoiding locally optimal traps that prevent better outcomes, eliciting and aggregating preferences, and deciding when to stop looking for better options. His research

focuses on computer systems to aid planning for land use, environment, and infrastructure. Through funding by the Department of Defense and the National Science Foundation, he and collaborators have developed planning support systems that aid in generating options and provide procedural expertise for particular planning techniques. Research on the benefits of plans in dynamic systems, in collaboration with Professor Gerrit Knaap, is assessing the effects of infrastructure and land development plans in metropolitan Portland. Dr. Hopkins teaches planning theory, comprehensive planning workshops, and GIS.

ANDREW ISSERMAN

Professor of Urban and Regional Planning and Agricultural Economics PhD, University of Pennsylvania, 1975



Professor Isserman develops, refines, and applies analytical methods for studying economic and demographic change and related policy issues. He has won two National Planning Awards from the American Planning Association, the GEM Award from the National Council for Geographic Education, a Research Fellowship from the

American Statistical Association, and a medal from the Soviet Academy of Sciences, among other honors.

His research currently has two emphases. He is refining geographical control group methods and applying them to economic development policy issues. Recently published studies have measured the effects on rural economies of casino gambling, dam construction, federal rural development programs, highway investment, military base closure, nuclear weapon site conversion, and other policy decisions. He also is working on methods for analyzing and forecasting local economic and demographic change. He seeks to make population forecasts in ways that induce people to learn more about their area and to engage the future proactively from a far better understanding of economic and demographic realities and prospects. He has practiced and improved this approach over the past four years working with planning firms including Barton-Ashman Associates, Pflum, Klausmeier, and Gehrum, and LDR International.

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He seeks to make population forecasts in ways that induce people to learn more about their area and to engage the future proactively . . .

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T. JOHN KIM



*Professor of Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, Princeton University, 1976*

Dr. Kim began his education in his native South Korea in architectural engineering and completed graduate study in planning at Princeton University. He has worked in Austria, Germany, South Korea, Indonesia, Sweden, Kenya, the People's Republic of China, and the United States. In

1979-80 he served as the project director of the National Comprehensive Transportation Study of Korea, sponsored by the World Bank. He also directed the Optimal Transport Sector Development Project in Indonesia in 1990-1991. He was recently appointed as Chair, National GIS Advisory Committee by the government of Korea. Dr. Kim teaches courses in transportation analysis and the application of the social sciences in planning. Recent research is on GIS for transportation planning. Dr. Kim has authored or edited five books on Urban Systems Analysis, Regional Systems Analysis, Expert Systems Applications to Urban Planning, Expert Systems in Environmental Planning, and Spatial Planning in Indonesia. Currently he is co-editing a book with Lyna Wiggins entitled, "GIS-T: GIS for Transportation Planning and Analysis."

GERRIT KNAAP



*Professor of Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, University of Oregon, 1982*

Gerrit J. Knaap teaches courses in public microeconomics, economic development, and urban social science. Dr. Knaap earned his B.S. from Willamette University, his M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Oregon, and received post-doctoral training at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, all in economics. Dr.

Knaap's research interests include the economics and politics of land use planning, the efficacy of economic development instruments, and the implementation of environmental policy. On these subjects, Dr. Knaap has written over 25 articles in journals which include the Journal of the American Planning Association, Policy Analysis and Management, State and Local Government Review, Regional Science and Urban Economics, and Land Economics. He received the Chester Rapkin award for the best paper published in volume 10 of the Journal of Planning Education and Research. With Greg Lindsey, he received the 1998 Best of ACSP award. Funding for his research, in excess of \$3.5 million, has been provided by the National Science Foundation, the Lincoln Institute for Land Policy, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and numerous state and local government agencies. Dr. Knaap is the co-author or co-editor of three books: The Regulated Landscape: Lessons on State Land Use Planning from Oregon, Spatial Development in Indonesia: Review and Prospects, and Environmental Program Evaluation: A Primer. He serves on the board of directors of the Lake Michigan Federation and on the Urbana Planning Commission.

FARANAK MIRAFTAB



*Assistant Professor of Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, University of California at Berkeley, 1995*

Dr. MirafTAB's area of research interest concerns social aspects of urban development. Within this broad area her work has focused on the access to housing by low-income groups, women, and immigrants in industrialized and developing countries, the role of NGOs and community-based groups in

community development, and a range of issues critical to processes of development in the Third World. Dr. MirafTAB's studies and research span over several countries. She completed her undergraduate education at Tehran University, Iran; her Master's at the University of Trondheim, Norway; and her Doctorate at the University of California, Berkeley. She has researched in several countries including Iran, Norway, Chile, Mexico, Canada, United States, Australia, and South Africa. She has also served as a consultant to the United Nations Center for Human Settlements to carry out comparative studies of cross-regions of the developing world. Currently she is commissioned by the Gender and Habitat Program and the Community Development Program to provide cross-cultural analytical frameworks on the potential of partnerships between communities and public and private sectors for local development. She will also evaluate gender gaps at human settlements and related government agencies. These are cross-cultural studies including the experience of Africa, Latin America, and Asia. Current research includes housing, community development, NGOs, gender and development, planning and diversity issues in relation to immigrants, ethnic minorities, variations in household types, and gender.

“ . . . to provide cross-cultural analytical frameworks on the potential of partnerships between communities and public and private sectors for local development. ”



ZORICA NEDOVIĆ-BUDIĆ

*Assistant Professor of Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1993*



What is the impact of GIS technology on the planning process and how does an agency achieve the most effective use of the technology are the questions that drive Dr. Nedović-Budić's research. Teaching students how to use this important new tool emphasizes the need for critical awareness about both the planners' needs and the technological

capabilities in order to avoid a wide-spread "hammer looking for a nail" syndrome. Extending her study of human, organizational, and management-related determinants of GIS implementation success, Dr.

Nedović-Budić's current research focuses on evaluation of benefits from introducing GIS technology in planning agencies. A physical planner by training, with an international background and love for cities, Dr. Nedović-Budić is also interested in processes, factors, and tools that determine the quality of urban environments. She teaches a graduate course

on urban structure and functions with a comparative view on institutional and cultural frameworks, resulting land development patterns, and planning practice in the U.S. and in the Central/Southern Europe.

“What is the impact of GIS technology on the planning process and how does an agency achieve the most effective use of the technology?”

ROBERT OLSHANSKY

*Associate Professor of Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, University of California, Berkeley, 1987*



Dr. Olshansky's research, practice, and teaching focus on environmental and land use policy, seeking to understand how state and federal policies can be better translated into effective local actions. One of his major research goals is to develop better planning strategies to reduce the effects of earthquakes, landslides, and floods. Dr.

Olshansky has studied earthquake preparedness in the Central U.S. and published a series of manuals promoting state actions to reduce earthquake hazards. He is currently studying the land use effects of the recent earthquakes in Los Angeles and Kobe, Japan. His natural hazard studies also include local hillside development policies and the use of seismic zonation in land use planning. With Professor Forrest, he prepared a groundwater protection manual for local governments in Illinois. In the area of land use policy, Dr. Olshansky recently completed a comprehensive study of the local implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act.

KENNETH REARDON

*Associate Professor of Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, Cornell University, 1990*



Dr. Reardon's research, teaching and extension activities focus on the contribution city planning can make to resolving problems confronting low-income, urban communities. For the past fifteen years, he has worked with a variety of community-based planning initiatives focused on the employment, housing, public safety, health care, and social service needs of older

residential neighborhoods in the New York Metropolitan Area. His most recent research examines the status of African-American communities in

Illinois. Dr. Reardon serves as the Program Coordinator for the Department's East St. Louis Action Research Project and teaches the introductory undergraduate planning course as well as a community development seminar and a neighborhood planning workshop. Prior to joining the department, Dr. Reardon was the director of the New York City Field Study

Program of the New York State College of Human Ecology at Cornell University, where he taught courses and conducted research on contemporary urban problems.

“... seeking to understand how state and federal policies can be better translated into effective local actions.”

DANIEL SCHNEIDER

*Associate Professor of Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1990*



Dr. Schneider is an ecologist whose research focuses on the ecology of aquatic ecosystems. He integrates basic scientific research with research on the social aspects of the environment to develop new tools for the planning, management and conservation of lakes, wetlands and rivers. His current research examines the ecology of an invading aquatic pest, the zebra mussel,

ecological restoration efforts on the Illinois River floodplain, and community involvement in preventing pollution. He is the coordinator of the new campus-wide Environmental Scholars Program, an undergraduate interdisciplinary honors program, and is developing multinational exchange programs with universities in Canada and Mexico centered on watershed planning. His teaching covers ecological applications to planning, watershed planning, and environmental history.

CHRISTOPHER SILVER

*Professor and Head, Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1981*



Dr. Silver's planning interests converge from three distinct but related areas, including urban and planning history, international planning, and housing and community development. Planning history has been the central focus of his published research, including three books, *Twentieth Century Richmond: Planning, Politics and Race* (1984), *The Separate City: Black Commu-*

nities in the Urban South, 1940-1968, with John Moeser (1995), and *Planning the Twentieth Century American City*, with Mary Corbin Sies (1996). He is currently completing a history of planning in the urban South from the 1890s through the 1940s. Beginning with a Fulbright Senior Lectureship in 1989-90, he has been teaching, researching and consulting on international planning, with a focus on urban development in Indonesia, over the past decade. This includes three years (1995-1997) as an Urban Development Advisor under a U.S. Agency for International Development project based in Jakarta. A new project links this international work with planning history through an examination of the emergence of Jakarta as a megacity in the twentieth century. The focus of Dr. Silver's consulting in Indonesia, as well as the previous twenty years of planning, teaching, consulting and researching in Virginia, was on housing and community development, including the role of historic preservation in urban revitalization. Through collaboration with several Indonesian universities, that work has been broadened to incorporate an international dimension. Current research involves a critical assessment of the mechanisms for financing community infrastructure in Indonesian cities.

EMILY TALEN

*Assistant Professor of Urban and Regional Planning;
PhD, University of California at Santa Barbara, 1995*



Dr. Talen's research focuses on exploring the spatial pattern of American cities. Most often this work incorporates GIS as a tool of exploration, for example in the investigation of accessibility, spatial equity, sprawl and ideal urban form. She does not take a detached, technicist view of urban form, believing that planners should actively advocate for a saner urban development

pattern. Dr. Talen promotes an urban spatial pattern that overcomes automobile dependence, increases accessibility, promotes diversity, and discourages suburban sprawl. There is a sociological component to this investigation. Part of an assessment of ideal urban form involves understanding what those forms mean for social interactivity — for example, do certain city patterns create a "sense of community"? Another social component involves resident perception of the meaning of places. In this area of research Dr. Talen is using GIS to build resident-generated cognitive maps of neighborhoods. Instead of using GIS as a top-down data provider, GIS can be used as a "perceptual drawing tool" to capture resident perceptions of neighborhoods — what is liked, disliked or desired for an area. Prior to receiving her PhD in geography from the University of California, Dr. Talen worked for six years as a professional planner in Santa Barbara and Columbus, Ohio. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. Current research includes suburban residents' views of new urbanism: survey results; neighborhood evaluation using GIS; and an exploration of ideal urban form using GIS.

“ . . . do certain city patterns create a "sense of community"?”



BRUCE WILLIAMS

Professor of Urban and Regional Planning and the Institute of Communications Research; PhD, University of Minnesota, 1980



Dr. Williams, who also holds an appointment in the Institute of Communications Research, is broadly interested in how democracy and citizenship are affected by the increasingly sophisticated issues of science and technology with which political systems must deal. In pursuing these concerns, his research and

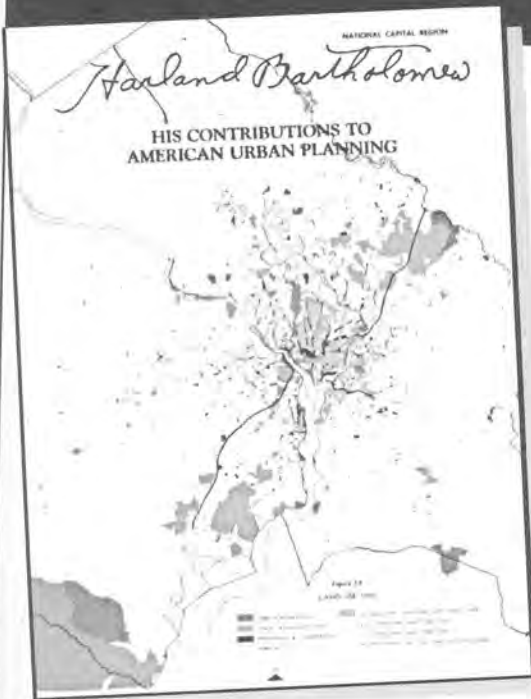
teaching focus on environmental policy making and the role of the mass media in shaping political discourse. He is just completing a long-term

research project that examines the dynamics of environmental disputes and the competing languages used by citizens, policy-makers, experts and interest groups as they struggle over public policy. This project also analyzes the ways in which issues of race and gender affect the ability of various groups to influence environmental policy.

The book that resulted from this project, *Democracy, Dialogue, and Environmental Disputes: The Contested Languages of Social Regulation*, was published by Yale University Press in 1995. Dr. Williams is also working on a new project that examines the ways in which the mass media, especially television, influences how ordinary citizens talk about a variety of political issues—environmental protection, crime, and race.

“ . . . issues of race and gender affect the ability of various groups to influence environmental policy. ”

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Clyde W. Forrest

My courses continue but research is often traded off for administrative duties. However I'm working on two books, one on Zoning Administration for a New Millennium and the other on "Successful Negotiation for Planners". I want to use case studies, so if any of you alums would like to be cited in the books send in a case study on either area. You may be receiving a survey form aimed at establishing the value of our degrees and identifying areas of possible improvement. While we have conducted such surveys over the years the University Administration intends to require all departments to conduct a "assessment". Please, when you get the survey fill in and return it. Your input will count.

I've just returned from a trip to another University and I'm struck with how lucky our department is to have good resources. I'm pleased to report that at UIUC our offices are adequate, the P.C. Lab is great, we have a travel budget, courses are varied, students are engaged, instruction is above average and faculty research and public service is supported. I admit to sometimes taking these factors for granted and when I see a place where some are lacking I count my blessings and so should you as graduates of DURP.

R. Varkki George

Earlier this year, I was granted tenure and promoted. While that was a big relief, I have not really had an opportunity to savor this. Starting this summer, I have become involved with a number of interesting projects. With help from the University's UI-OnLine program and other DURP faculty, I have been developing a course that professional planners can take on-line as a way to continue their education and to prepare for certification exams. With the East St. Louis project, I have been working on developing Web-

based systems for citizens to easily access mathematical models of urban systems. With colleagues from architecture, landscape architecture, and art and design, I am setting up the Environment Rehearsal Studio. Using very powerful computers donated by Intel Corporation, the Studio will allow planners and designers to 'rehearse' their ideas in high-quality virtual worlds. This promises to be a very exciting new direction for me.

Before I get much more involved with all of this, however, I will be going on sabbatical for a semester in Spring 1999. I will be visiting Cochin University of Science and Technology in India to work on a review of computer-based visualization and simulation for planners and designers. I hope to return refreshed and rejuvenated!

Len Heumann

Since my last correspondence I have become a grandfather for the second time, most important things first. Her name is Allena and along with Sydney they keep me very happy and very involved with the next generation. Got the last of my kids out of the house and off to college and enjoying the empty nest feel so far, but that is because we stay so involved in our children's lives. Afterall they are just about all planners or architects as I have mentioned in the past. This last one, Micah, wants to be a psychologist however.

My teaching continues to stay in the same housing, community development and social welfare planning areas and my research and publications stay in the housing for elderly and disabled persons area. I am currently conducting the second national study of the Section 202 Housing Program for elderly persons. This round is being sponsored by AARP, the one I did in 1989 was paid for by Congress.



When I gave up the coordination of our PhD program, the Chancellor's Office asked me to take on a new coordinating role, a section of a new campus wide initiative called Strategic Partnership Illinois Initiatives. SPII provides funding for faculty to develop new long term partnerships with the private sector in Illinois to do applied and action research that is co-funded by the private sector. There are 5 target areas, mine is "Community Vitality and Economic Development." For those of you in the private sector or local government in Illinois who have ideas for new applied and action research areas, drop me a line or give me a call and lets chat.

I am editing a new book called "Empowering Frail Elderly People: Opportunities and Impediments in Housing, Health and Support Service Delivery." Look for it to be published later this summer.

Lewis Hopkins

Many things have changed since my last report. I have moved upstairs to a faculty office in which I spend much of my time writing, reading, or talking with students. At least once a week I notice something going on that is not my responsibility anymore. In the interim, Susan and I spent seven months in Nepal, where I was a Fulbright Senior Scholar teaching GIS and looking into planning in Kathmandu. We had a fascinating time, stayed almost two months longer than originally planned, and are anxious to go back. We finished off the sabbatical with three months in Seattle, where the mountains are only half the size, but provided a good transition on our way back to Illinois terrain. Joshua is married and a rocket engineer for Lockheed in Denver. Nathaniel is in graduate school here at UIUC in the Counseling Psychology program. One thing remains the same: I am still not as old as I look.

Andy Isserman

We are back! After 17 years in Iowa, West Virginia, and the San Francisco Bay Area, my wife Ellen Jacobsen (MUP '74) and I are happily at home in Urbana. Ellen earned her MD from the University of Iowa in 1985 and then did her internship in internal medicine and her residency in dermatology at West Virginia University. After a year with Kaiser Permanente near San Francisco (1991), she joined the WVU medical school faculty half-time and went into private practice part-time. Now she commutes there once a month to take care of her patients and run a WVU laser clinic, while practicing part-time at Carle in Champaign. She is a fantastic dermatologist, able to diagnose and solve problems that have stumped other doctors, but otherwise she is very much the same likeable, warm person many of you knew at DURP. Our son Jacob is a freshman at Grinnell College in Iowa, and our son Noah is an eighth grader at the University Laboratory High School here.



They have been the delight and the adventure of our lives. My favorite memories include wilderness camping trips, good conversations and long drives, and countless seasons coaching soccer and basketball until the boys became so good that I was replaced by college coaches.

I am delighted to be back in planning education, to be part of a dynamic, stimulating department at the forefront of our field, and to be studying and teaching at this awesome, great university. This time I am on a joint appointment with Agricultural Economics as Professor of Rural Economic Policy and Planning (reflecting the fact that I have done a lot of policy research in recent years). As I put finishing touches on my course materials for UP406, formerly UP476, I see the faces of many of you who took the course in 1973 through 1981. I hope you will get in touch via e-mail (isserman@uiuc.edu) and let me know what you are doing, particularly if you did not make the deadline for this publication. The course? Once again it will feature hands-on experience doing population and economic studies for a county selected by the student. By the end of the semester 25 more students will know how to do state-of-the-art planning analysis, and they will have their reports in hand to prove it. You might want to hire them!

Kay McBroom

Hard to believe that I've been at the Department for nearly 14 years now. My office was located at 909 W. Nevada, then 1003, 907-1/2 and finally to 111 Buell Hall. In the last year or so I have become more interested in photography. Just ask the staff - I pester them until they look at my latest pictures! I've compiled some departmental photos, many of Buell Hall, but a few that are becoming "historic" from Nevada Street.

My biennial travel took me to Australia this past spring. Certainly enjoyed Sydney, the Great Barrier Reef, and visiting a friend in the country (not quite the outback) in New South Wales. My daughter Jenny is still very active in music, theater, and scholastic bowl. We hosted a short-term German exchange student last spring. Jenny made the trek to Frankfurt to visit with Luk's family last summer and plans a return trip with her German class this summer.

Visited Charleston, South Carolina this spring and discovered that there has been a resurgence in historic preservation there. Seems that they put donors' names in the streets when they re-paved their cobblestone streets. Buy a cobblestone, get your name recorded for posterity. An interesting way of funding preservation!



Zorica Nedović-Budić

I am so proud to announce to you that I have successfully initiated my second major life-long project. I gave birth to Vuk Miomir Budić on May 11, 1998, and ever since have immensely enjoyed being a "double-mother-planner." Stefan, my first son, has turned 9 and is getting very hard to carry around. So, I had to secure a smaller "load" to keep my hands occupied. Besides the motherhood, I have continued to be involved in geographic information systems (GIS) in various capacities: teaching regular DURP courses as well as workshops for practitioners; with support from the National Science Foundation grant, preparing a large scale national survey of interorganizational GIS and database developments which are found to be crucial, but also the most challenging aspects in building the National Spatial Data Infrastructure; serving as program chair for the annual Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA) Conference to take place August 21-25 in Chicago (I hope to see you there!); and many other. I am also looking forward to a possibility to visit my



Ken Reardon

Kathy and I are completing our ninth year at UIUC! Hard to believe that two New Yorkers could last that long without homemade Italian food! Kathy is finishing up her Masters of Industrial and Labor Relations degree. I am still busy with the East St. Louis Action Research Project which has grown into a \$500,000 a year operation with seven full-time staff members and ten Research Assistants. In July, I will be returning to Cornell University for my sabbatical year where I will be a Visiting Professor in City and Regional Planning working on a book on "empowerment planning" based upon our East St. Louis experiences.

Jane Terry

Since the publishing of the newsletter in 1996, my daughter will graduate this May 1999 from the University of Illinois, in the College of Education, Elementary Education. I now can think about retirement in the next three years, I might just do that, who knows, I will see. Keep in touch by email, j-terry@uiuc.edu or give me a call at 217/244-5401.

family in Belgrade, Yugoslavia this coming summer (if the political circumstances permit) and use some of that time to observe the urban development and planning issues emerging in formerly communist countries in Eastern and Central Europe.

Rob Olshansky

Many alums from the 90s will be surprised to know that I no longer teach UP 401. That's because it has been renumbered to 403. Sometimes I think this is the biggest change in my life these days. I did have a semester sabbatical last year, which involved spending a month in the Pacific Northwest, and we followed it with a long family vacation. Lots of water and mountains, sometimes in the same place. Another change is that I have three trips to Asia scheduled this year, but John Kim and Chris Silver are still ahead of me on this. I also feel like I have been doing more APA things lately: as JAPA book review co-editor, as faculty liaison to the Illinois Chapter, and attending APA national conferences after a five-year hiatus. I have seen several alums at these events, and hope to see more of you this year.



As your alumni relations liaison and development officer, I have had the pleasure to meet a number of you in person. What is especially interesting to me is hearing the stories of why you chose a degree in Urban and Regional Planning, your most prominent memories of student days at our ever-changing Urbana-Champaign campus, and the various career paths you have followed since graduation. Many of you have underscored the importance that the Illinois program places on linking the academic experience with the planning profession and related disciplines.

The department is aggressively pursuing several initiatives to institutionalize this planning practice component for future students. One is the inauguration of a Professional Planners Lunchtime Lecture Series to bring practitioners to campus to discuss current planning issues with students and faculty. In addition, planning consultant John McNamara (of BRW, Inc., Phoenix) is serving as the Visiting Practitioner in Residence during the Spring 1999 semester to co-teach a course with Professor Lew Hopkins on Issues in Planning Practice: Introduction to Private Practice.

In another move to link students with practitioners, the Department is supporting expanded professional recruitment efforts. DURP students played a key role in organizing and hosting an inter-disciplinary Career Expo held on campus in October 1998. More than 45 alumni, individuals from

municipalities, private practices and not-for-profit organizations participated in this event. This was a wonderful opportunity for students to have both formal and informal interactions with professionals. While making contacts to line up interviews and summer internships were key objectives for this event, the student body also benefitted on a more general level. Having a variety of agencies, organizations and firms on campus making presentations to students and being available at company exhibits exposed students to the varied planning possibilities that await them. Underclassmen benefitted from these interactions in identifying appropriate course and concentration choices. The next Career Expo is scheduled to be held on campus in Spring 2000.

It is our intent to draw upon our alumni to support not only the Career Expo but to participate in the practice-focused lectures as presenters and through financial contributions to sustain an annual program of between six to eight presentations. We appreciate the initial efforts of alumni to launch these and would welcome hearing from others to assist us. If you or your organization would like to receive information on any of these initiatives or would like information on how you can support the Department through your gifts, please e-mail me (lcourson@uiuc.edu) or drop me a note in care of the Department.

—Leanne Courson



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The Student Planning Organization (SPO) offers students social and professional development events designed towards making students' academic careers as successful and fulfilling as possible. We support speaker events and causal "brown bag" lunches to give students the opportunity to talk with professionals in a variety of planning positions. Recently SPO also began supporting professional development by organizing an annual career fair. SPO held its first Job Fair two years ago and invited planning organizations/firms, public and private, within a five-hour radius of the university. In the Fall of 1998 the "Career Expo" was extended to include firms throughout the nation and was organized in conjunction with the Architecture and Landscape Architecture Departments.

We welcome the 1999 SPO Officers and look forward to another successful year!

SPO 1997 Officers

President	Cassandra Ecker
Vice President	Shawn Hill
Treasurer/Secretary	Heidi Willers
APA Representative	Marie McGuinness

SPO 1998 Officers

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Treasurer/Secretary	Matthew Gebhardt
APA Representative	Sarah Miller
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Undergrad. Student Rep.	Tim Butler
Web Chair	Rajiv Ramanathan
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SPO 1999 Officers

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APA Representative	Kara Brown
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Graduate	Mehernosh Mistry
Undergraduate	Ian Crelling
Web Chair	Graham Garfield

1997 AWARDS

- Outstanding Teaching Assistantship Award:**
Sandeep Kumar
- Outstanding Sophomore Award:**
Robert Kalnitz
- Outstanding Junior Award:**
Amanda Eichelkraut
- Outstanding Masters Thesis Award:**
Lisa Henne
Development of a Community-based Biological Monitoring Program for the Ayuquila River, Jalisco, Mexico: a Preliminary Study
- Outstanding Ph.D. Award:**
Kim Knowles-Yanez
- Karl B. Lohmann Award for Exceptional Professional Promise:**
Undergraduate: Jason Steffensen
Graduate: Roxanne Walker
- AICP Outstanding Student Award:**
Undergraduate: Catherine Klump
Graduate: Bryan Friedman
- GMSlab Spatial Systems Research Award:**
Christopher Ellis
- Michael A. Carroll Memorial Award:**
Heidi Willers

1998 AWARDS

- Outstanding Freshman Award:**
Graham Garfield
- Outstanding Sophomore Award:**
Joshua Thompson
- Outstanding Junior Award:**
Kelly Tsai
- Outstanding Masters Project Award:**
Eric Bosman, David Dubois, Kevin Merrifield
Comprehensive Land Use Plan Custer and Reed Townships, Will County, Illinois
- Outstanding Ph.D. Award:**
Yasuhide Okuyama
- Outstanding Teaching Assistantship Award:**
Jenny Baumgartner
- Karl B. Lohmann Award for Exceptional Professional Promise:**
Graduate: Sarah Miller
Undergraduate: Robert Kalnitz
- AICP Outstanding Student Award:**
Graduate: Cassandra Ecker
Undergraduate: Amanda Eichelkraut
- Department Head Special Service Award:**
Denise Chaffee and Marla Jones
- Michael A. Carroll Memorial Award:**
Catherine Klump



Students on the steps at Temple Buell Hall.

DEGREES AWARDED

1996 MUP

**awarded after May 1996*

Sutanu Bhattacharyya
Lori Ann Brunner
Nicholas L. Buckeridge
Lisa Jean Henne
Angela Michelle Jamison
Angelica Maria Morgan
Arun Dev Pant
Eric Robert Stoller
Daniel A. Thomas

1996 PHD

**awarded after May 1996*

Laurie Ann Schintler

1997 BAUP

Nicole P. Aranas
Dane C. Bragg
John J. Burnett
John M. Donovan
Susan M. Ebert
Joshua D. Eden
Patrick J. Flynn
Matthew A. Frank
Paula C. Galinis
Andrew D. Gleason
Douglas P. Godfrey
Meenakshi Gyawali
Eric P. Johnson
Jeremy S. Kerman
Catherine A. Klump
Mark W. Lehmkuhl
Michael R. Lehmkuhl
Christopher A. Murin
Matt D. Noonkester
Jason E.M. O'Grady
Andrew H. Palmore
David M. Palsen
Aaron L. Polchow
Joshua K. Radetski
James M. Schofield
Stephen E. Schweibinz
Jason Steffensen

1997 MUP

Tina Y. Chen
David L. Dubois
Roberta J. Farrell
Bryan D. Friedman
Christopher J. Glick
Diane C. Gormely-Barnes
Karen M. Gross
Jason C. Gustaveson
Monica N. Long
Kevin B. Merrifield
Paromita Mitra
Saima Qureshy
Brant K. Scheidecker
Laura L. Srebro
Roxanne M. Walker

1997 PhD

Sung-Ho Kim
Claire E. Miller
Alexandra Ortiz

1998 BAUP

Jon D. Branham
Sonya A. Brown
Latonya M. Burton
Claudia Cahue
Rosemary K. Chomiak
Eric Chung
Marisa S. Chutipisalkul
Matthew J. Cushing
Misty M. Das
Kellyn M. Doyle
Brian P. Eby
Amanda J. Eichelkraut
Matthew G. Glesne
George C. Haenisch
Suzanne K. Hollingshead
William J. Kubal
Susan Lim
Lisa E. Michelson
Robert J. Mihelich
Jennifer S. Rajca
Aaron Walker III



1998 MUP

Eric S. Bosman
Amy E. Caldwell
Margaret L. Cederoth
Robert W. Crain
Cassandra Ecker
Perry W. Eckhardt
Kathryn M. Gregory
Marie E. McGuinness
Paromita Mitra
Sathish Selvakumar
Chealon A. Shears
Heidi Y. Willers
Francis A. Young

1998 PhD

Bambang Brodjonegoro
Christopher D. Ellis
Jiemin Guo
Kim Knowles-Yanez
Larissa S. Larsen
Simon Montagu



Current students, after class.

** See the 1996 issue of Alumni News for a full listing of 1996 graduates.*



Ahlberg, Robert B.

I'm busy with a surprising amount of development activity; both commercial and residential development. The initial redevelopment activities at the 1,110 acre former Glenview Naval Air Station are now beginning in earnest. I'm also enjoying Illinois Chapter of APA Treasurer responsibilities and duties.

BUP 1977

Alarcon, Andy

Working for the City of Austin's new neighborhood planning program.

MUP 1995

Allison, William F.

I am continuing to work for the Phoenix Planning Department with my ten year anniversary rapidly approaching in September, 1998. In November, 1997, I was promoted into the position of Zoning Administrator for the city - which means I hold hearings at least twice each month on zoning adjustment (*variance, use permit, Zoning Ordinance interpretation*) matters and am otherwise responsible for determining what our rather confusing Ordinance really says. In reality, I rely on our zoning staff to keep me from straying too far beyond precedent and at times simply put my stamp on a reading of the Ordinance which has been reached on high. The hearings run the gamut from the mundane (setback variances) to the bizarre (a club where people have sex in front of each other, an adult use - despite their claims that they are either a private club whose activities are not regulated or a church....) Keeps things interesting!

Prior to holding this position, I spent 2.5 years heading a team of planners working on all planning issues in the southern part of Phoenix. The area encompasses some blighted, economically challenged neighborhoods and one of the fastest growing, most affluent portions of the city. My major projects with the team were two area plans covering 9 square miles and 27 square miles; each of the areas is close to downtown Phoenix and has missed the Phoenix development boom. During this time, I reported to fellow Illinois planning alum Joy Mee.

Outside the office, I find the desert to be a great playground. Most weekends find me hiking somewhere, often in preparation for an annual rim-to-rim-to-rim my gang does at the Grand Canyon. The place is great and life is good.

MUP 1988

Ancar, Robert P.

Mandatory trip reduction programs have been repealed in New York State, correspondent with the Federal repeal of the mandatory CAAA trip reduction requirements. Hence, NYSDOT has taken a step back in promoting and marketing voluntary alternative commute initiatives, always a tough sell but rewarding where these initiatives have 'borne fruit.' Last couple of years I've transitioned to managing corridor planning and design projects in the rapidly growing Hudson Valley, north of the New York City metropolitan area. Among the host of the typical pavement rehab and safety improvements, NYSDOT continues to advocate and implement innovative ITS and HOV solutions to congestion management. The greatest New York success stories are E-Z-Pass and HOV implementation on New York's bridges and the Long Island Expressway, respectively. NYSDOT also continues to downscale its labor force, restricting new hires and promotional opportunities. This is unfortunate but in keeping with the currently popular fiscal conservatism and downsizing of our times. Had opportunity to access DURP's website the other evening and noticed most faculty I had the chance to work with almost twenty years ago have moved on. Glad to see John Kim is still laboring at DURP. John, I appreciate your guidance, willingness to work with me during thesis preparation, and to DURP in getting me started in the planning profession. Best wishes to you all!

MUP 1982

Anderson, Dewayne

President of Landmark Asset Services, Inc. Winston Salem based organization specializing in development, construction and management of historic properties, which revitalize downtown and residential areas. Projects are developed in partnerships with local governments and non-profit organizations. Current projects are located in eight southern states.

MUP 1966

Anderson, Jon

I established Nationwide Mortgage and Realty Company in 1992 and have been active in financing major real estate transactions throughout the country with an emphasis on the Midwest. At this time the strongest market for financing is for apartments with favorable conditions prevailing for other property types

such as hotels, shopping centers and residential subdivisions. I would welcome the opportunity to review and comment on the financing alternatives that might be available for major developments within the regions covered by other Illinois alumni.

Regarding my personal life, I have lived with my family in a home that we had built in South Barrington for the past nine years. Recently, as the village has continued its growth, I have become increasingly involved with other residents in various development and zoning controversies. My main objective here has been to encourage well buffered, commercial development along the southern border of the Village by IL 72 and I 90 while maintaining relatively low density, high quality residential zoning in the balance of the village. My older son is now a senior at Barrington High School and starting to explore college alternatives which, thus far, has included a visit to the University of Illinois last March. I also have a daughter who is a freshman at Barrington High School and a son who is in the Barrington Middle School. My wife, Elaine, a graduate of North park College and a Registered Nurse, is with the continuing Care Center of Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights, Illinois

MUP 1970

Aulf, John W.

Being of the class of 1950 it's been a while; however, the resume indicates a lot of planning has taken place and not in one location. Since retiring from a regular schedule, I have had time to try out some ideas regarding planning on a regional approach. In a nut shell, it has had to do with setting values (I use weights) on the landscape of existing conditions of a study area.

A computer 3-dimensional spreadsheet is used in conjunction with a map of the area under study. The map is addressed and corresponds to col./row address of the computer screen. Scale can be assigned as desired, since a screen 'cell' dictates. Inventory of the map addresses is done and entered in percentage on a computer screen with its title, i.e.: san.sewer. If the address (map) shows 20% coverage, then the computer address is given a .20 value. A family of physical items is developed (I use 11) and this is all assembled in similar fashion. When the three family files are completed they are compiled into a final file. To find the best combination, one looks for the cell with the highest value. As evident the weight assignment and map percentage define the output, and any change re-aligns the values of the final file. The beauty of this program is the way a planner can assign a different set of weights for a target - say a golf course. Here good soil, water, slope and open land command greater values than social values. Who needs a school on a golf course?

Should you find this approach of interest we can get deeper into the details. Should you bump into Wetmore or Blair, say hello for me. I worked with them in Providence a long time ago.

MS 1951



Barlow, Kate (*Ginsbach*)

My husband, Jim, and I are the proud parents of two beautiful boys and anticipate the arrival of our third child this fall. I found my planning education very useful to economic development especially the classes involving real estate and economic analysis. Hope all is well.

MUP 1984

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—Kate Barlow

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Bancroft, Robyn

Very happy (really) working for the City of Rockford - by that I mean the citizens of Rockford - as the city's only Neighborhood Planner. It is a daily struggle - full of frustrations and yet rewards, not from fellow staff, but rather from the neighborhood leaders with and for whom I work. They teach me much more than any bit of light I might shed for them. Change and positive growth are visible in the numerous small steps being made throughout Rockford's neighborhoods.

MUP 1994

Beck, Gregory W.

After working in Bettendorf, Iowa and Scott County Iowa for the last several years, I accepted a position working in the City of Peoria. The two Iowa positions were in planning and the current position is a management policy position working for the Peoria Fire Department. I use many planning skills in my current position dealing with computer mapping and our capital improvements program. These planning skills are also useful for some of the public administration tasks in which I am involved. I can see how urban planning can apply to other government operations. Many planning and statistical principles can be applied to researching the needs for fire suppression, emergency medical, hazardous material, rescue and other types of emergency response services. I may re-enter the planning field, but I enjoy my work. In my spare time, I am working at the restoration of a 100-year-old home in Davenport, IA. I also do basketball draft evaluations on the NBA and Continental Basketball Association player drafts for the CBA team Quad-City Thunder. I hope my classmates are enjoying their pursuits.

MUP 1989

Behr, David B.

Our agency was just awarded a \$275,000 housing grant to begin the rehabilitation and redevelopment of a blighted neighborhood in Walkerton. Over the last eight years we have brought over one million dollars in state and federal grants to the community.

BUP 1977

Bogg, Jeff

I currently coordinate and supervise a professional multi-disciplinary team which provides comprehensive technical assistance to the Army related to military installation divestiture. Specifically, I am involved with the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process and the Department of Defense's real property privatization initiatives.

BAUP 1995, MUP 1996

Bookwalter, Jack

I'm still enjoying my "retirement" from planning and my new life restoring Victorian houses in Portland. Life begins at 50!

BUP 1969

Borker, Lynn

Visited the new building in Urbana. Everyone was very nice and the building is much nicer than when I went to school in 1976!

BUP 1976

Bragg, Dane C.

I am currently working as a planner for Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc., located in Springfield, Illinois. My primary responsibilities include aviation planning and economic development planning at or near mid-size and large general aviation, cargo, and passenger airports. I am also responsible for coordination of land use, zoning and socioeconomic impacts for the many environmental assessments and transportation corridor studies we conduct. Some of the more interesting tasks I have recently worked on include the development of design guidelines and restrictive covenants for a future business park in Manhattan, Kansas, an environmental assessment for cargo facilities expansion at the Greater Peoria Regional Airport, and an Aviation Economic Development Plan for Duluth International Airport in Duluth, Minnesota.

Recently, I have become involved with marketing and graphics work at our firm. I have found this to be a very rewarding task in the day-to-day operations of a full-service engineering firm.

BAUP 1997

Branham, Jon

Recently began position as Plan Technician for the Village of Wilmette (north shore suburb of Chicago). Job entails reviewing applications for building permits, site plan review, assisting residents/contractors at help counter, and preparing staff reports to the Zoning Board and Plan Commission. Great environment. Great People. Very nice community. Enjoying it very much.

BAUP 1997

Briassoulis, Helen

Since 1994 I am an Associate Professor in the Department of Geography at the U of the Aegean in Lesvos Island. I commute weekly from Athens to Lesvos and this is the hard part of the story! I teach Quantitative Methods but I blend my teaching with planning theory and a very critical look at all quantitative stuff. I am following research on land use change and decertification, planning theory, the informal sector and sustainable development. Needless

to say, my studies at DURP always guide my thinking and activities and I am very proud of being a graduate of this school.

Ph.D. 1985

Brin, Ellen (*see Divita*)

Burns, Craig

I haven't responded to this survey in awhile, but since I enjoy reading about other people's lives I guess I should participate. It is just too hard to believe that 20 years have passed since graduation from the U of I. I came to the stark realization as I completed the form which asked for the year my degree was earned. This April began my 17th year at City Water Light and Power, Springfield's municipally-owned electric and water utility. My planning focus has shifted from the physical and social to the financial, but most principles are still very applicable. In my day to day job I am responsible for the utility's budget, rates, bond issuance and financial planning. I also have administrative responsibility for our Energy Services (energy conservation) Office. My wife Susan and I have a 13 year old daughter (Molly) who starts high school this fall. It's funny how life has this way of keeping score with all these milestone type events. Hello to all from the 1977-1978 era at DURP.

BAUP 1978

Canestaro, James

It has been 25 years since I started my graduate studies in planning as the first person working on a housing course of study. After all these years, I am now fully-immersed in housing - leaving behind all that private-sector real estate development. I am now the project manager for a large HUD Hope VI project with all the complexities and political pitfalls of any other big city affordable housing project that intends to remove obsolete public housing and revitalize a dying neighborhood with new in-fill housing. Of course, I am still doing economic analysis, feasibility studies, and my share of computer simulation models for other clients. In addition, I am traveling to Lithuania to analyze a former Soviet air base for economic development opportunities.

MUP 1974

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I commute weekly from Athens to Lesvos and this is the hard part of the story!

—Helen Briassoulis

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Carmody, Dan

Recently celebrated my tenth anniversary as executive director of Renaissance Rock Island, a consortium of economic development organizations with missions in downtown redevelopment, older neighborhood revitalization, commercial and industrial development, and community marketing. Continued consulting work, serving as coordinator of the Larger Cities Workshop series for the Illinois Main Street program and consulting with numerous cities throughout the Midwest regarding downtown and community strategic planning.

BUP 1977

Carpenter, John

I am the Community Development Director of the City of Westminster, Colorado, a progressive city of about 95,000 situated between Denver and Boulder. Planning and development issues are key in this fast-growing community which has a land use comprehensive plan (with zoning-like regulatory powers), all PUD zoning, an aggressive open space program, design guidelines and a growth management program to create a very desirable, high quality of life community. The Denver area is a great laboratory of planning innovations as communities seek to preserve our unique environment from the potentially adverse impacts of growth. Based on my 16 years in Colorado, I wish the U of I courses focused more attention on current planning/development review issues when I was in school. There is currently a labor shortage in the Denver area, so I would encourage U of I graduates who want to "go west" to check out our area.

BAUP 1971

Charlton, JoEllen (Thronley)

New job in March 1997, Married to Tony for 10 years, 2 kids, Hayley (age 5) and Nicholas (age 10).

BAUP 1985

Cherniak, Theresa

I've been a planner with the City of Seattle now for almost 5 years. I've now been through two reorganizations here, with a third possibly on the way. For the past year or so I've been a supervisor working on issues from growth management to neighborhood planning to community development projects to affordable housing. It's been a real challenge - Seattle is a very fast paced city, with a very active, critical and well-educated populace. Many times I miss the more laid back pace and attitudes of San Diego! or the more practical and straightforward approach of the people in the Midwest. I'd love to catch up with old classmates (MUP classes of 83 and 84).

MUP 1988

Clement, David

While I am not currently active in the planning profession, Paula and I are raising two children. Amy, age 13, is an excellent reader and very good in math. She enjoys girls soccer and some modeling. Ed, who is 10 years old, is in the 4th grade. He plays soccer, baseball and is a Cub Scout. Paula is an excellent junior high school teacher. She serves as English Department chairperson, and was recently selected to become a mentor teacher. I am currently very active in the old car hobby.

I serve as the West Coast Vice President for the Lincoln Owners' Club (LOC). Our 500-member club has its focus on 1921 through 1939 models. I write a column in our quarterly magazine, *The Fork and Blade*, and assist with promotions and new members. I collect period sales and service information and search for unpublished material for the magazine. Using our home computer, I have developed the club membership roster and automobile data base.



As our children mature, I have begun to give some thought to the planning profession again. I may search for a part-time position somewhere in the Sacramento area. I would like to say hello to my former classmates and friends from the university.

BUP 1971

Conner, James B.

Sad to report my wife, Ybeltje, died this march after a nine-year battle with cancer. She had many friends in our class. Best wishes to all our friends.

MUP 65

Cooney, Bill

My wife, Kim, and I are expecting our third child later this month.

BAUP 1986/ MUP 1988

DeBelle, Denise

Since I'm not sure when I last contributed to Alumni News, I'll give a 10-year update. After becoming a lawyer in 1989, I worked for Ald. Mary Anne Smith as legislative aide for a short time, then opened my own law practice. Primarily, I concentrated in administrative law, with a smattering of real estate and employment litigation and counsel. During this time I gave birth to two children, Tim (1988) and Francesca (1994). I left my practice to accept a position with a special project to bring about campaign finance reform in Illinois. The planning involved is oriented entirely to the political process as well as internal church politics, since I am an employee of the Archdiocese of Chicago. But I get to be an advocate for something I really believe in, and I'm enjoying it very much. I live in Chicago and I'm involved in some community affairs and political campaign work. Would love to hear from planning alums.

BUP 1976

Divine, Kathryn

The knowledge that I gained in studies for my master's degree helps me in my profession of Investigator of Equal Opportunity. I am currently working in the employment area, although I have about ten years experience in the field of fair housing. The work requires analytical skills of administrative and planning knowledge. Recently, I moved with my husband, Gary Swift, into a new home after about seven and a half years of renting an apartment in L.A.

MUP 1986

Divita, Ellen (Brin)

Ellen Brin Divita MUP '92, BS Adv. '81 has been named the first Director of Economic Development for the City of St. Charles, Illinois. She and her husband Jim are seeking a new home halfway between St. Charles and Woodstock, where he is the Service Manager for Woodstock Harley Davidson. Current St. Charles projects include revitalization of the former St. Charles Mall, redevelopment of the Moline Malleable Foundry, new retail development surrounding the regional Charlestowne Mall, and downtown TIF Districts.

MUP 1992

Doak, Jill (Standard)

I've been working on the creation of Neighborhood Partners, an umbrella organization of neighborhood association and related not-for-profits to assist in implementing and prioritizing our five neighborhood plans. Also, we are about to contract with a historic preservation consultant to document and survey World War II and immediate post-WWII areas. Due to proximity of the Rock Island Arsenal we saw quite a bit of building during the war. The consultant response was exciting - they think it is very cutting edge. Our local commission simply wants to educate people on the value of these middle-aged buildings.

MUP 1990

Ebert, Susan

Peace Corp volunteer, March 1, 1998 - May 30, 2000. Left March 1 for 3 months training in El Salvador. Will receive permanent assignment within El Salvador at the end of May. Have been assigned to Municipal Services to work with local mayor in one of 262 municipalities.

BAUP 1997

Edminster, Dick

I'm in my eighth and FINAL year as Planning Director of the Alameda County Waste Management Authority. It is a special "joint exercise of powers agency" to deal with garbage and recycling issues for the 17 member jurisdictions. Despite the many joys of working, I plan to retire on my 50th birthday, in July 1999. I will be devoting myself to volunteer work in the environmental area, along with much overdue traveling, gardening, reading and goofing off! I'll continue to trod the many trails of the nearby Santa Cruz Mountains - and may even drop in on an occasional National APA Conference. Best wishes to all, especially the Funsters of '76.

MUP 1977



Edwards, Mike

My professional life has taken me far away from my academic preparation. I have been an IT professional for the past 22 years and have been in telecommunications since 1987. I look back fondly on my years at the U of I and in the College of Fine and Applied Arts - and I regard those years as great training for the role I find myself in today. Good luck to you at DURP.
MUP 1970

Elsden, John

I've been working here in Yakima WA as a Planner for about nine years. Last year we adopted a new comprehensive plan, as required by the Washington State Growth Management Act. We are now focused on developing implementing regulations and working on neighborhood plans. Hope to see some of you in Seattle in 1999.
MUP 1985

Exo, John

I've taken a new job with University of Wisconsin-Extension. I'll be one of seven watershed educators working with UW-EX across Wisconsin. I'm fortunate to work in a county (Sauk) which is developing a comprehensive land use plan under the direction of another alum, Tim Kabat. By all accounts, Tim is doing an excellent job. I'm active in a local effort to restore a stretch of our local river, the Baraboo, to former health by removing several defunct, unsafe dams. Removal of the dams will dramatically increase water quality and fisheries in the river and provide new recreation and economic opportunities.
MUP 1992

Fathke, Donna

We have recently opened a small business incubator here in Calhoun County, Alabama. The incubator was funded by grants from EDA and local governments, as well as a CDBG grant. It consists of 40,000 sq. ft. of office and manufacturing space. The purpose of the incubator is to provide an environment which helps young businesses get a good start before graduating to the real world. As these businesses grow, they will provide new and diverse jobs for the community.
MUP 1995

Fields, Darwin

I am presently employed by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency as an Environmental Engineer in the Champaign Regional office for the Division of Air Pollution Control. I previously worked for IEPA Division of Water Pollution Control in the Marion Regional office and prior to this I worked as a Community Planner for the US Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District.
MUP 1986

Forster, Lois (Rocker)

I am still working at the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the Mitigation Directorate on floodplain management policy and regulation issues for the National Flood Insurance Program. I was pleased to see hazard mitigation planning mentioned as an activity that DURP is involved in. Thought you might be interested in two FEMA Mitigation

Directorate sponsored research projects with the American Planning Association. One is the recently completed APA Planning Advisory Service Report #473, Subdivision Design in Flood Hazard Areas. The other one is underway to develop a PAS Report on Planning for Post-Disaster Recovery and Reconstruction. Hope everyone is doing well at DURP.
MUP 1981

Frank, Joe

I have been the Advance Planning Director for the past four years with responsibilities that include long range planning, CDBG/HOME program administration, affordable housing, urban design, and historic preservation. We just completed an update of our comprehensive plan and a complete rewrite of our development code. The City is adamant about curbing sprawl through our version of "new urbanism" including mixed land uses, building neighborhoods not just subdivisions, and creating commercial "districts." As if we hadn't punished our bodies enough, we then tackled updating our intergovernmental agreement with the county in regards to our urban growth area. Next on our work program is solving world hunger and finding a cure for cancer. My son, Andy, is preparing for college next year; Katy is a sophomore in high school and Kristen is a 7th grader. We were too busy with life to do any snow skiing this year but became an avid fan of the Avalanche. It was good seeing many of you in Boston at the APA Conference.
MUP 1976

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The six kids (3 lawyers, a physicist, a commercial broker and an economic developer) are all marrying and doing well, in the Washington area.
—Vernon George

Galbraith, David

I enjoy hearing about the various projects the students and staff are working on. In addition, I always enjoy hearing about personal items (jobs, families ...) about alumni, faculty and students.
BUP 1993, MUP 1995

Galinis, Paula

My job right out of school was with Metra Commuter Railroad in Chicago. I was working in their Technical Services Division which constructs the depots and commuter parking lots. It was through Metra that I became familiar with Knight Infrastructure and consequently became employed with them. I have been with Knight for approximately a month and a half.
BAUP 1997

Genskow, Ken

I continue to work on a Ph.D. in Environmental Planning looking at citizen partnerships for watershed planning and management. My work with UW-Extension links planning and

assessment without outreach education. From now on I'll be seeing more of fellow DURP alumnus John Exo (MUP 92) who has taken an education and outreach position with UW-Extension. Martha and I are parents! We had a little boy on March 11. Hope all is well at DURP.
MUP 1994

Gentry, Rachael (see Woolsey)**George, Vernon**

The six kids (3 lawyers, a physicist, a commercial broker and an economic developer) are all marrying and doing well, in the Washington area. The company is still small but adding new staff. Strategic planning, technology strategies and financing are important to us right now. Staying active in real estate development, but I thought it was all supposed to be easier by now.
BS 1961

Getz, Jay

We're moving from Urbana-Champaign to Washington, Illinois. I'm the new Planning and Development Coordinator for Washington, a city of 10,000+, east of Peoria. Our two boys, Jonathan and Jeremy, are six and five. Dawn is expecting our third child in late May, 1998. Recently we were driving from a residential neighborhood in Washington, past some farm fields, to Washington's business district. Jonathan asked, "Dad, why are these farm fields in the city limits?" Leave it to a six-year-old planner's son to wonder about leapfrog development! (Departmental note: Since we received this letter from Jay, he and Dawn have become the proud parents of April Dawn who was born on May 9, 1998)
MUP 1990

Ghareb, Mohamed N.

Since 1996 I planned to enjoy my life by many things I missed during the last 40 years (1957 - 1996) - I am really happy doing what I want. I am giving my time also for my grandchildren. They are my new life. Giving lectures, attending seminars not as often as before, but I am still giving consultations to some offices that I trust.
MUP 1971

Ghislandi, Robert

Immediately after graduation from Illinois, I worked as a zoning analyst in the Real Estate and Land Use Group of the Chicago law firm Sidley & Austin. My education in planning was helpful in assisting lawyers with various land use regulations such as zoning variances and changes, PUD applications, parcel consolidations and landmark issues. Most of this work occurred in Chicago's CBD. In 1995 I obtained a M.S. in Real Estate Development and Investment from New York University and returned to Chicago to accept a consulting position in the Real Estate Advisory Services Group at Arthur Andersen LLP. My work at Andersen includes portfolio and commercial loan due diligence, feasibility studies, market studies, redevelopment analyses and corporate relocation reports. I am an active member of the Governing Board of Associate Members of the Field Museum of Natural History and a passive member of Friends of Downtown and Friends of the Parks.
BUP 1990

Ginsbach, Kate (see Barlow)

Gleissner, Robert

I have been a Senior Planner with the City of Highland Park for five years now. I recently was the acting director for a time. I'm now looking to move on to a new position and hope to return to Colorado or another western state soon. I continue to enjoy actively participating in a variety of outdoor recreational activities, especially skiing, cycling, camping and golf. I have enjoyed several visits to Florida recently to spend time with Lori Mitchell who was in the classes of 1979-1981. You may remember her as the wife of the late Keith Mitchell, class of 1980. I would enjoy hearing from former classmates.
MUP 1980

Glosser, Deanna

For the past 8 years, I have worked for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, first as the Endangered Species Program Manager and now as Manager for the Division of Natural Resource Review & Coordination. This group of ten staff review over 6,500 projects annually for potential impacts to natural resources and compliance with endangered species, wetland, and cultural resource statutory requirements. One of the larger programs within the Division involves local units of government and often planners. The Illinois Endangered Species Protection Act requires that state and local units of government consult with IDNR to identify possible impacts to endangered and threatened species and then use their authorities to avoid or minimize adverse affects. While completion of the process is required, the final resolution of each project is voluntary. There are at least two perspectives of the success of this program. Voluntary programs are often endorsed as the best way of achieving protection for natural resources, but there are serious limitations to what can be accomplished. Developers and even local units of government are often unwilling to take the steps necessary to truly protect sensitive resources. On the other hand, the ideal ecological solution cannot necessarily be dictated by a regulatory program because of legal constraints. In addition to working for IDNR, I have a part time business, Network Solutions, which is involved with a wide range of information management services: creating and maintaining web sites, preparing newsletters, conducting library searches, and maintaining natural resource related databases. Other activities involve serving as an Adjunct Assistant Professor at DURP, serving a second term as secretary of the Illinois Chapter of the American Planning Association, and recently being elected as secretary-treasurer of APA's Environmental Division.
Ph.D. 1987

Goble, Robert

Carter Goble Associates now has two operating companies, CGA Consulting Services and CGA Facilities Services. Consulting Services continues as our main line business providing facilities and systems planning, research and management consulting whereas Facilities Services is a 5-year old architectural design company. Consulting Services specializes in justice facilities and systems, and bus transit

and paratransit systems and facilities planning. Facilities Services' design work focuses on criminal justice and other government facilities design. We feel fortunate to have now worked in 48 states and 6 countries outside the U.S. Jane Goble continues to enjoy her interior design practice and we both take much delight in our youngest daughter having graduated and having a job.
MUP 1971

Goldfarb, Eugene

Working with University of Illinois circle campus offering environmental assessment and energy efficient rehab courses/propaganda. Trying to last six more years while HUD crumbles around me. Trying to promote energy efficient rehabs, brownfield redevelopment, and other environmental initiatives. Only one more year until we're empty nesters.
MUP 1974

Golemo, Tim

Hello Fellow Planners! Things have been going very well here at the Office of the Governor. Jim Edgar has recently appointed me as Executive Assistant to Boards and Commissions (which, I must confess, has very little to do with using current planning techniques - but has opened a lot of political doors for me). If anyone is interested in working for the State I would definitely like to recommend the Dunn Fellowship program. For information on the program, contact Edna Walden in the Governor's Office. Tell her I sent you!
BAUP 1994

Graham, Eve (see McClennen)

Grimes, Jim

I'm completing my 20th year teaching and managing Radio-TV outlets at the Career Center. The technologies in radio, TV, and the Internet are changing at an incredible rate. I am also continuing to serve on our village plan commission. Major issues we're facing include development conflicts, loss of farm land to development, strip mall businesses, lack of regional transportation plans and lack of enforcement, water supplies, and sign ordinances. Still serving in the National Guard's public affairs program part-time. My wife and I have a daughter graduating from University of Iowa and another finishing high school. Good luck to all of those facing the teenage years!
BAUP 1971/MUP 1973

“ My work includes a handful of TIFs within the City of Chicago. . .
— Karen Gross ”

Gross, Karen

Hi everyone. Things are going well for me in Chicago. I am quickly approaching my one-year anniversary with my job at Trkla, Pettigrew, Allen & Payne, Inc. Within this year, my specialty has become Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIFs). My work includes a handful of TIFs within the City of Chicago (including the hotly debated Pilsen TIF), City of North Chicago, East Moline, and several other Chicago suburbs. Hope all is well at DURP.
MUP 1997

Hack, Gary

After swearing off academic administration several years ago, I lost my senses and agreed to move to Penn as Dean of its school for Architecture, Planning, Landscape Architecture, Fine Arts and Historic Preservation. It's a chance to rebuild its planning program and find new ways to connect the disciplines. It means setting aside my professional work for a while. Most recently, I completed a new metropolitan plan for Bangkok, Thailand. I live in a wonderful new house near Rittenhouse Square. Classmates and colleagues are always welcome.
MUP 1967

Haenisch, George

I have recently completed phases I and II of our internal training program SED (systems engineer development). I am a consultant who uses many different application development and testing tools for a plethora of clients, ranging from pharmaceuticals to auto finance. My current assignment is Boca Raton, Florida. I pride the DURP's program with excess stress on computers and related courses. Although I transferred over from Computer Science, I appreciate all of the things I have learned and the wonderful professors I have been in contact with.
BAUP 1997

Han, Sang-Yun

Since I returned to Korea in 1990 with the prestigious master and doctoral degree of DURP, I worked for Kyung Hee University in Seoul teaching urban planning courses. My honorable mentors are Prof. T. J. Kim, Prof. L. Hopkins and Prof. L. Heumann. One of my close classmates was Dr. Zorica Budić. I hope Zorica remembers me! Last year I had a chance to live and do research in Seattle at University of Washington for my sabbatical leave. The top quality education I received at DURP helps me not only with research capability but with administrative skills. I worked for the university as director of international programs and now I serve as one of three members of the university planning commission responsible for establishing mid and long range strategic plans. Any DURP members who love old castles, Sushi, Bulgogi and/or hard liquor with Karaoke will be very welcome to visit Seoul. Just call me.
MUP 1987/Ph.D. 1990

Hartigan, Luke

I work as a white-collar crime investigator for the State. I continue to stay interested in matters relating to planning. On occasion, I travel to Champaign where I still enjoy walking through campus. I promote the University to everyone who will listen.
BAUP 1983

Hartlage, Theresa (see Koehler)

Hauersperger, Dick

I retired in 1993, but still enjoy working part-time for the same agency - the Charlotte-Mecklenberg Planning Commission. My wife and I enjoy golfing and traveling and combining the two. We just returned from being tourists in Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver.
MS 1962

Herrmann, Kathleen

I finally bit the bullet and got married in 1996 to Mike LaMont, another Illinois alum (an engineer). We moved from Chicago to the Suburbs - Park Ridge. It's taken some time for me to get accustomed to the quiet as I used to be lulled to sleep by the sound of bus brakes. On the work scene, I still enjoy being an attorney. Every once in a while I'm able to bring in my Planning experience on a case. All in all, life is good.

MUP 1980

Holdredge, Arden Case

Harford County is one of the suburban jurisdictions surrounding Baltimore City and is experiencing many of the growth pressures common to formerly rural areas around major cities. The control of growth and economic development are our two most critical issues. We suffer from a significant case of "drawbridge syndrome" among our population and work diligently to find the appropriate balance among a multitude of factors.

BUP 1973

Hooker, Joseph

I started my new position as Assistant City Attorney for the City of Champaign in May of 1996. While I am once again practicing law, I am still very much involved in planning issues here in Champaign, and I am very interested in hearing about and in participating in alumni activities on campus, and any planning seminars that may be offered here.

MUP 1992

Howell, David

In my 7th year with my own market research firm. My clients range from transit agencies, health care, tourism, telecommunications, consumer products, financial to non-profits. Varied clients and varied projects. Last year I purchased my own office building (small) two blocks from Coors Field in the exciting Lodo section of Denver. If any of you are in Denver please stop by and say hello. (Maybe there will be a ball game that day.)

MUP 1971

Hughes, Renee (Sawicki)

I am working as a commercial real estate appraiser in the Chicago area with a concentration in the economic feasibility of new residential developments. The rest of my time is spent with our wonderful daughter, Maggie Rose, my husband Joe and our two dogs!

BAUP 1987

Issel, William

Since being developed as a new town in 1953 to support work on the secret Manhattan Project, Oak Ridge has come a long way. The original S.O.M. master plan has survived the test of time and affords residents a good quality of life due to greenbelts, home placement takes advantage of views instead of lining up like soldiers, street hierarchy that keeps traffic low and facilitates walking. Today economic diversification is a strong priority because the U.S. Department of Energy is looking at a declining budget. The high technology background of Oak Ridge has helped recruit new industry.

MS 1964

**Kalogeris, Nick**

Last April I switched jobs again. I'm now working for the National Trust for Historic Preservation's National Main Street Center. Though the Center is based in Washington D.C., I'm based in Chicago and my primary duty is to assist the City of Chicago develop a citywide Main Street program. In addition, I do get to travel to other cities and states to consult with other local Main Street programs in urban, rural and suburban areas.

My two years with the Illinois Main Street Program was productive as I worked with fifteen Chicago suburban communities on developing their local Main Street programs. Now the trick is to make it work in Chicago's neighborhood commercial districts where revitalization and political issues are more complicated and where historic preservation isn't exactly synonymous with economic development. However, bringing the Main Street program to Chicago neighborhoods probably is the best thing that's happened to the areas whether they realize it or not. On the home front, I'm still enjoying living in Oak Park, though I will probably make a move to Chicago in the next year. I've taken up my bagpipes again and have joined the University of Chicago Pipe Band. So I now travel extensively during the summer to do the Highland Games circuit in the Midwest and Canada. And in the last year, I've finally taken some real vacation time and traveled to France, Greece and Italy. Hope to do Scotland next year!

MUP 1991

Kanhere, Gopal L.

After retiring as the head of the Town Planning Department in the Government College of Engineering, Pune, India, I was awarded emeritus Professorship by the Central Government in 1997/98. I will be working as Head Emeritus Professor for some time in this department.

MS 1963

Kennedy, Mark A.

My life has included many changes since graduation 12 years ago: completion of my Master of Divinity Degree (M.Div) at Andover Newton in 1991; marriage to Judy Steger Kennedy (also a grad of the U of I, BS and Master of geography) 1993; service as Associate Pastor, St. Anthony Parish United Church of Christ 1992-94; service since 1994 as co-pastor with Judy (also a M.Div) of The Federated Church of Rochester; on April 17, 1996, welcoming our daughter, Anne; April 1, 1998 welcoming our son, Joseph. As one of two small town pastors (Judy being the other), I find my planning skills called upon frequently, inside and outside the congregational setting. Should any other alums find themselves near Rochester in central Vermont, we'd be delighted to have them stop and say hello. Which reminds me ... we had a wonderful visit last August ('97) from Chris Rediehs (BUP and MUP, U of I) and Laura Rediehs. They are located now in St. Paul, MN (we'd been near neighbors for 10 years until Judy and I moved here) where Laura is finishing a Ph.D. in Philosophy and where Chris, having completed a J.D. is serving as a clerk to an area judge.

MUP 1986

Klump, Cathy

After receiving a B.A. in Urban Planning at UIUC, I decided to stay on for a Master's degree. I currently work with Ken Reardon on the East St. Louis Action Research Project. I also work part-time as a research intern for the City of Champaign Planning Department.

BAUP 1997

Knowles-Yanez, Kim

I'm enjoying the working academic world in my post-doc at Arizona State University. I work on the NSF sponsored Central Arizona-Phoenix Long Term Ecological Research project. I collect and analyze data on historical land use and current development policy for this sprawling metropolis—the fastest growing in the United States. My family loves living in Tempe (many say this is only because we've yet to experience the summer). We've already gone camping on the beach in Mexico and explored some of the surrounding desert. Helena is three now and speaks often of her friends and memories of Urbana. Come visit us sometime!

Ph.D. 1997

Koehler, Theresa (Hartlage)

I am working at the Village of Lombard and enjoy the challenges of redevelopment. We have a variety of very interesting projects to work on from the relocation of graves to make way for commercial development to developing around endangered species. Doug is still employed at Caterpillar and our daughter Emma is almost two years old. She is growing up so fast! Call us crazy, but we're planning a trip to Europe with her. It should be interesting to say the least. Between work, our daughter and our basset hound (Henry), we stay quite busy.

MUP 1989

Kowalski, Rob

Still doing well in Louisville, KY.

MUP 1995

Krviskey, Bruce M.

After directing Fairfax County's heritage resources planning program for the past seven years, reshuffled organizational priorities have heaped my plate with a different array of responsibilities.

I now bear the title "Senior Planner" --as befits, perhaps, my grey hair and beard--and find myself focusing more on comprehensive planning and community business district revitalization - the opposite side of that delicate balance between keeping the best of the past and creating the best of today. I remain quite active with historic preservation activities at the state level, however, and serve as a trustee of the Virginia Preservation Alliance, as an appointee to the Governor's History initiative, and as a member of the Virginia Society of Architects/AIA Committee on Historic Resources. In our so-called spare time, my wife - also a Senior Planner with the County - and I own a fledgling antiques restoration and sales business specializing in country and primitive furniture. We are having fun and learning a lot but, so far, we are not planning to give up our day jobs!

MUP 1967

Kron, Rick

My life continues as an attorney working in special district law and finance. Cindy continues as a research meteorologist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research, mostly studying thunderstorms. Daughters Kay (11) and Kari (8) have taken up gymnastics, pottery, dance, piano and trombone. Pretty fun stuff.

BUP 1975

Kubik, Michael

My wife Jami and I celebrated the birth of our third child in September of 1997 - Kathryn Daly. Jacklyn is now 5, and will be attending Kindergarten this fall. Michael is 3, and will be going to pre-school this fall. I am currently working for AT&T Solutions, Outsourcing, and am starting to enjoy the fruits of my hard work and excellent education. This March marked my 4th promotion in 2.5 years, in a business that is intended to grow to 5 billion dollars by 2002. Currently I am the Process and Tools Manager for the Bid and Proposal Center of Excellence. In English, this means that I am charged with improving the process and tools (selling faster and at higher margins) that we use to sell outsourcing to our clients. I am also helping to develop a core curriculum for our sales force.

I will return to the University of Illinois this fall, as I did last fall, in an effort to recruit my fellow Illini to work for AT&T. Which brings me to an important point: my planning education and background is incredibly important to what I do today. I think it is sometimes forgotten that the method and madness of Planning is applicable to careers other than Urban and Regional Planning. I was hired into a program that was intended for MBA graduates. I got the job by convincing AT&T that I could demonstrate at least 100 ways in which my career experience and education were better and more important to their business than an MBA! I urge you and your current student



population to ponder this: You are teaching/ learning Economics, Statistics, Law, Computers, and even more importantly, you are grounded in the logic behind planning before you act!!

That is equivalent to "Think before you speak", or as Covey would say, "Going to the balcony". If we think about it, we, as planners, can do a lot of good in "non-traditional" places. I apply my planning skills on a daily basis. I am an adept presenter. I have great teaming skills. My thought process is goal oriented, with objectives linked to the goal(s). I know enough about statistics, economics, and law to ask the right questions. I got all of this grounding in Planning School. I get charged up at the thought of being able to hire young professionals into AT&T Solutions - a Network Outsourcing Company that is number 1 in the industry. We continually strive to be the best - as the Department of Urban Planning at the University of Illinois should! I am glad to see that you are proud of your position of 4th and 8th, but hear that as a rally call. There is no reason why you should not be in the top 1 or 2 in both Under-graduate and Graduate education in Urban Planning. You have all of the tools. A great new facility. A faculty that is second to none. The opportunity to "cross-pollinate" your students with Landscape Architecture, Architecture and other programs. And the best students and Alumni in the nation. I believe it should be Dr. Silver's charge to make this happen. Get the department back out on the cutting edge. Be sure to get your projects national attention by joining in on competitions. Publish your papers. Write for JAPA and Planning Magazine. Reward your students for being involved. I look forward to hearing back from the Department, and to visiting this fall. Please feel free to email or call, and if you have any bright, energetic, entrepreneurial students, I hope to see them this fall.

MUP 1994

Lanz, Ronald

Since leaving school I have worked as a municipal planner in the south suburbs of Chicago (Richton Park) following which I opted for a position in the private sector in Chicago (The Lakota Group). I've bought a house on the

north side of Chicago (October 97) and whenever possible try to enjoy the many exciting opportunities that exist in the city.

BAUP 1995/MUP 1996

Lauber, Daniel

Received APA's Paul Davidoff Award for Advocacy. Spoke on fair housing issues from Miami to Anchorage. Wrote new editions of Government Job Finder, Non-profits and Education Job Finder, Professional's Job Finder, and International Job Finder - all of which have won at least one award for book design (and to think our architecture teacher quit after 1/2 the semester because none of us planning students could draw a straight line even with a ruler). Tons of work on zoning for group homes and halfway houses. Totally exhausted. Ain't middle age fun?

MUP 1972

Lee, Man-Hyung

Hello from Korea! Any good news? Well, currently I am working on the public negotiation topics, 'hot potatoes' in Korea. I wish to publish a book dealing with these areas in a couple of years. If any DURP member visits Korea, please give me a call. Korean friends will treat you with the traditional Korean styles. Best lucks!

Ph.D. 1990

Leitner, Martin

No major changes. I am still managing partner of the law firm Freilich, Leitner and Carlisle, where we have recently integrated a planning division of five professionals into the firm to handle spin-off planning work, support land use litigation and expert testimony and, when time permits, to respond to planning, growth management, impact fee and development code revision RFPs and RFQs.

MUP 1975

Lucas, Robert

Ex-planning technician for Village of Tinley Park, IL. Relocated 'Q4' 97 to Arizona. Now in graphic sales for a fortune 500 company. My heart is in planning. Looking to participate in Scottsdale planning and zoning issues as a concerned resident.

BAUP 1985

Marks, Angie (Morgan)

I am involved in a number of interesting projects in Chicago's Roseland Community. My primary focus is a commercial revitalization project, in which NHS is working with residents, businesses, churches, banks, non-profits and the City Department of Planning and Development to attract new commercial and residential development to South Michigan Avenue.
MUP 1996

Marlatt, Richard Marvin

I've been with CERL now since 1983, when I was a graduate research assistant. It's been an interesting career so far and there are many challenges in the next few years. Downsizing and business process re-engineering have become very familiar words to us all. While I didn't choose the typical career path of a DURP grad, I don't regret it. The years seem to go by so quickly now. It seems not that long ago that I was a student, yet that was 15 years ago! I still remember my fellow students and enjoy catching up with everyone in the Alumni News. I would enjoy hearing from those of you that were at DURP from 1980 to 1984, and from 1988 to 1990 (I tried unsuccessfully for a PhD part time while working full time). Drop me an e-mail: r-marlatt@cecer.army.mil.
BAUP 1982/MUP 1984

Marshall, Laura

I'm still a stay-at-home mom, but I do very little staying at home. The kids, ages 7 and 5, and their activities keep me going; I feel like my car should be yellow! I'm busy with a number of organizations such as PTA, Girl Scouts and our homeowners association. I've also expanded my interest in historic preservation into genealogy. That is a never-ending hobby! We're also in the middle of moving to a new home in Naperville - that really keeps me busy!
MUP 1984

McClennen, Eve (Graham)

Working in areas of AIDs housing in Atlanta in small non-profit organization which primarily 1) provides HIV/AID housing information and referrals and 2) administers a new (for the state of Georgia) tenant-based rental assistance program. Just got married to a wonderful man on May 23, 1998.
MUP 1994

McDonough, Michael

I continue to have an active planning consulting business but have added real estate development and commercial real estate to my list of activities. I also serve as an elected board member of the Colorado Community Revitalization Association and continue to have interests in downtown revitalization. Seems like my family, fly-fishing and sailing take up the rest of my time. Judy and I now have two grandchildren - a girl of four and a boy of 7 months. Just ask us to babysit anytime. Fly tying, rod building, and major fly fishing trips to Wyoming, Montana and Utah are lots of fun. I'm hoping to get to fish for steelhead in the Northwest and for salmon in Alaska before too long. Sailing on some of the mountain lakes and some closer to home is completely enjoyable. I am always interested in hearing what is going on with other planners with whom I graduated

and the DURP faculty. It seems that the faculty members that I took classes from are retiring. I fondly remember Al Guttenberg, Eric Freund, Lach Blair, Lou Wetmore, Bill Goodman, Mike Brooks, Clyde Forrest, Jane Terry and yes, even Andy Isserman and his dog Ben. Those were two real good years for us.
MUP 1976

McGuire, Ed

In 1990, Washington State enacted a growth management act that required virtually all counties, and the cities within them, to develop, adopt and implement comprehensive growth management plans. Natural resource lands (timber, agriculture & mineral) and critical areas (wetlands, slopes, flood plains, habitat - "salmon", volcanic areas) were to be protected and urban growth boundaries drawn to confine urban growth and separate it from rural areas.

Three regional growth boards were created (covering the entire state) to hear appeals of local governments' GMA actions. The boards have power to remand, invalidate and recommend sanctions (withholding of tax revenues) be imposed by the Governor, if local governments are found to not comply with the requirements of the act. From 1990-96, I worked with the Pierce County Council in their efforts to comply with the GMA. I helped defend the county when appealed to the central Puget Sound growth management hearings board (4 counties - 55% of the state population - 70% of local governments).

In 1996, I was appointed by the Governor to the Central Puget Sound Board - as its Attorney member). For the last two years we have heard almost 100 appeals - and exercised all our powers.

Hope to see some of you at the 1999 APA Conference in Seattle. (Sue has started her own business and is thriving.)
MUP 1975

“ Hope all is well back at the “Temple.” Hello to everyone, and congratulations to all the 1998 graduates.

—Kevin Merrifield

McGuinness, Marie E.

I am moving back to CT the week of June 15. If you ever want to visit New England, give me a ring! Best wishes to all. The first one to make a million has to throw the reunion bash!
MUP 1998

McMahon, Kathleen

I am operating a consulting practice specializing in community technology applications. Some recent projects include telecommunication strategic plans as an economic development tool and multi-media zoning ordinances. My family and I have been in Great Falls, Montana for a year and really enjoy it here. My husband, Bob Horne, is Planning Director for Great Falls.
BS 1980

Merrifield, Kevin

I was hired by Digital Media Group for my planning skills, and I actually have to use them every day! I use Microsoft Project, so Varkki's training from UP 402 has come in very handy. Also, the ability to analyze complex problems/situations and then being able to explain them in a very non-technical, every day way, is essential no matter what line of work you choose. Hope all is well back at the “Temple.” Hello to everyone, and congratulations to all the 1998 graduates.
MUP 1997

Michie, Scott

The BWR planning division in Kansas City, Missouri is growing. Our transportation planning services in Illinois continues. A zoning ordinance update for McLean County, Illinois (the state's largest county) represented an expansion of services in the region. In addition to our focus on Kansas City and St. Louis metropolitan areas, we are growing in the Dallas metroplex and northeast Texas. BWR has 13 AICP planners on staff which is unusual for architecture/engineering firms. Give us a call.
MUP 1978

Miller, Claire (Powers-Huppertz)

After working as a Policy Analyst for the Army Environmental Policy Institute, I began a career in product management and marketing in the software industry. The principles and methods we learned in Planning apply to the business world more than one would expect. I am pleased to have finally finished my Ph.D. in Regional Planning.
MUP 89/Ph.D. 97

Miller, Mervyn K

Following my graduation from U of I in 1970, I returned to the UK via Japan and the USSR (Trans-Siberian Railway). Since 1972, I have worked continuously in Hertfordshire, in conservation of the historic built environment: for Hertfordshire County Council, 1972-74; for North Hertfordshire District Council, at Letchworth, 1974-87; and since that date as a consultant specialist architect/planner. I have been involved with research into the Garden City movement for 25 years, being professionally involved with twin landmarks of Letchworth Garden City, and Hampstead Garden Suburb, on the latter of which I am Vice Chairman, and appointed Director of the Royal Town Planning Institute. In 1981, I was awarded a Ph.D. by Birmingham University (under the late Professor Gordon Cherry, the leading UK figure in Planning History) for my thesis on “The contribution of Sir Raymond Unwin to the Evolution of British Town Planning.”

I have undertaken ‘cutting edge’ research into British New Town housing, and other major work for English Heritage, and have written, and lectured virtually worldwide. I have returned to the USA several times, the most recent being to the SARP conference held in Seattle last fall, where I met Professor Al Guttenberg. I expect to return to the USA in September to a Garden City conference at Cornell, organized by City Professor Kermit Parsons.

I have not had an opportunity to return to Urbana-Champaign, but I am now developing international educational links - I shall be visiting scholar in residence at South Australia University, Adelaide. I am also External Examiner in the Department of Land Use and Design at Anglia Polytechnic University, Chelmsford, Essex, UK, and have just been appointed Fellow at the School of Planning, Oxford Brookes University.
MUP 1970

Moeller, Anne Marie (Schaeffer)

I am combining motherhood of four children ages 6 to 16 and a part-time career in real estate appraisal commercial.
BUP 1975

Moeller, John

It's almost five years ago that I made a big step from public planning to private business. I established a small construction firm "The Carpenter's son." We are primarily a remodeling firm and have established an excellent reputation for doing custom quality work. The Atlanta market is booming and we have more work than we can handle. I'm also still involved as a planner to a couple of cities in Cobb County and still administrating the CDBG project in Villa Rica, GA. Needless to say, I stay very busy. Family-wise - John is 28 and recently ordained as a Methodist Minister serving a church in Dalton, GA - Nancy, 24, graduated from UGA 2 years ago and is teaching English at her old high school in Cobb County. She is marrying a Cobb County boy that she met in high school on May 16, 1998. Diane and I have made 33 years together and have plans for many more. In the past year we did some extended trips and hope to do the same in the years ahead.
BS 1966

Moore, Lisa (see Trimble)

Morgan, Angie (see Marks)

Murin, Christopher

Since graduation in May, 1997: Conference coordinator for the Office of Conference Services, Housing division UIUC, until July 31, 1997, Associate Resident Director - Office of Housing and Dining Services, Eastern Illinois University, also a graduate student in higher education administration with an emphasis in college student personnel, until December 31, 1997, Since January 5, 1998, employed at Conferences, Inc. in Evanston, Illinois as an associate meeting planner.
Professional memberships: American Planning Association and the American College Personnel Association.
BAUP 1997

Nachbar, Stuart

For the last three years, I have been part-owner of College Central Network, a company that specializes in designing web-based services for college career centers and recruiters who look for talent in the college market. We started out by serving colleges in New Jersey and now our client base has broadened to include schools in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Maryland, as well as Historically Black Schools. Our main

web site, located at www.collegecentral.com was reorganized by Lycos as one of the top recruitment sites on the Internet and received tremendous recognition for design. I have learned that there is nothing more rewarding and heartbreaking than building a business. Anyone who wants to know how to look for a job on the information superhighway can drop me a line. Other than work, Carol and I celebrated our tenth wedding anniversary last year. Hard to believe that time flies so quickly.
MUP 1988

Neal, William

Greetings from Plymouth, IN. Although commercial appraisal occupies the majority of my time, still do plan consulting for Plymouth after 13 years. Spare time (ha!) is spent as President of local industrial development corporation developing a new 120-acre park. Janis is still at Starcraft (22 years) and the kids are now 16 and 13. Get my regular Illini inoculations from Dave Behr who works nearby and we have gotten wind of an alumni group starting in the area. Could be fun. Take care and "God save the Chief!"
BUP 1973

Nelson, Kevin

As I now enter my fourth year of living in Washington, DC, my knowledge of the ins and outs of the nation's capitol is ever increasing. About six months ago I moved from government contracting (University Partnerships, where many job openings are available, might I add) to working with a Maryland-based non-profit, The Neighborhood Design Center. My time is balanced by involvement with the National Building Museum, Smithsonian Institute, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation along with the APA.
MUP 1995

Nixon, Reggie

I have been working for Arlington County Government for 10 years as a planner (land-use) in the Current Planning Section of the Planning Division, of the Community Planning, Housing and Development Department (CPHD). We are in the process of implementing and refining our County Comprehensive Plan. Our plan is noted nationwide for its well-coordinated land-use development policies, which are based on the close coordination of urban growth with the MetroRail subway stops. The Metro is the Washington Metro System, regional in scope. It covers DC and accesses its four surrounding counties (of which Arlington is one).
MUP 1977

Ortiz, Alexandra

Since I graduated from the Ph.D. program, I have been working in the World Bank in Washington, under a program called "Young Professionals." I had to complete two rotational assignments. The first one (Sept/96 - Aug/97) was in the infrastructure division for Indonesia. The second one (Sept/97 -), which I will finish by the end of August this year is in the urban division for Latin America. I have been working mostly in land management, land markets projects, urban upgrading for very low income



squatters, and some in capacity building for municipalities in Guatemala, El Salvador and Venezuela.
MUP 1993/ Ph.D. 1996

Paull, Evans

I am specializing in Economic Planning which has been mostly synonymous with Brownfields work for the last three years. In 1997, I received a Maryland APA award for "Professional Achievement in Economic Development," largely because of my role in developing our Brownfields Initiative and for helping lead the way to Maryland Brownfields/voluntary cleanup legislation. Personally, I'm married with three children, the youngest of which we just adopted from Guatemala.
MUP 1973

Pecora, Elizabeth (Stalzer)

I am a licensed professional planner in the State of New Jersey and AICP. Also a candidate for the E.I.T. Started Pecora Engineering with my husband (Christopher) in 1996. Received my masters from Drexel University in Environmental Science in 1993. Head up planning and environmental at Pecora Engineering.
BAUP 1984

Phillips, York

Working hard - very busy. Daytona Beach is enjoying considerable new commercial and industrial growth, as well as a large number of redevelopment projects in various stages. Not much residential growth, however. Daytona is also very much an event driven community, with Race Weeks, the 500, Bike Week, Spring Break, the Pepsi 400, and Biketoberfest. Latest controversy is over the future of "Black College Reunion" which brings almost 100,000 young people to the beachside for a weekend. These events present unique planning and permitting issues - particularly since each one has its own special characteristics.

For those of you who remember us, Vicki and I are evolving into "empty-nesters" (apparently kids these days don't stay away permanently on the first couple of tries). We are also grandparents (a two-year old and another on the way). A lot of water has gone under the bridge since we spent our last semester in that trailer out in the country near Urbana.

Vicki is busy at real estate (good market right now). Jeff is well established in the Atlanta area (he and his wife Jennifer are the ones with the babies). Amy is working hard and going to school, seeking to follow Jeff's footsteps in the computer networking field.

I am busy shucking many of my side activities in order to be ready to take over this fall as Florida APA Chapter President. Please drop us an email from time to time.

MUP 1969

Porter, Douglas

My book, *Managing Growth in America's Communities*, was published by Island Press in late 1997 and has received good reviews. I'm up to my eyebrows in exhilarating projects, including helping U.S. DOT organize a transportation summit conference for the Washington region, identifying possible improvements for Maryland's new Smart Growth legislation, working collaboratively with regional and local agencies in South Florida to promote Eastward Ho! (a regional corridor revitalization effort), completing an infrastructure vision and strategy for the Boise, ID region, recommending policies to guide a township TDR program in New Jersey, and working with a leadership group in southeastern Massachusetts to explore opportunities for regional growth management. That array of projects reflects my wide interests in growth management. I've also been quite busy in various writing assignments, including an update on state growth management activities for the Urban Land Institute, pointers on planning for transit-focused development for the Transportation Research Board, and an update of performance zoning in practice for *APA's Zoning News*.

MS 1960

Powers, William

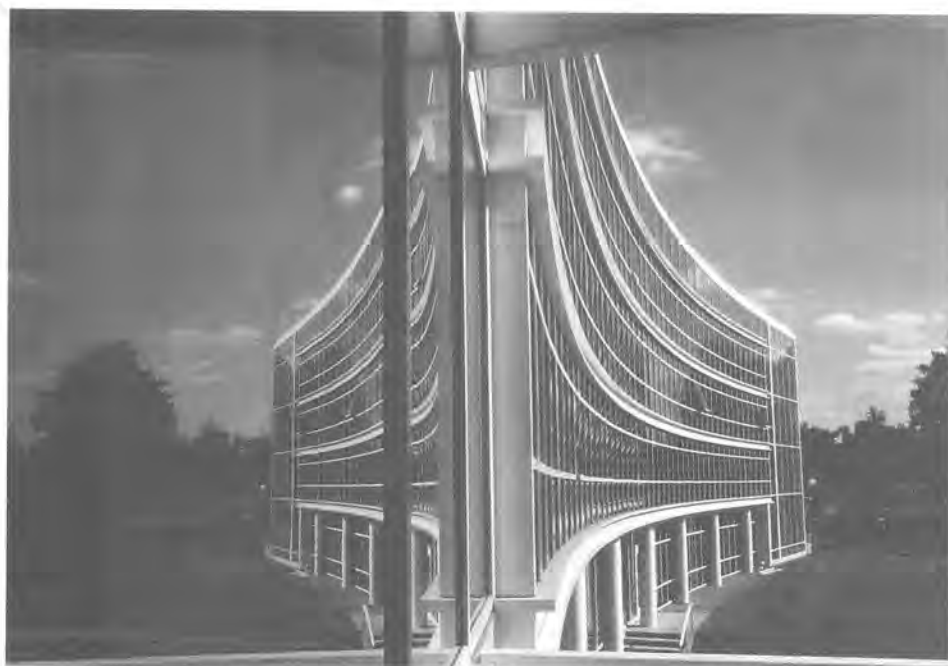
I am currently serving as Public Assistance Officer in the Response and Recovery Division of the Region V office at the Federal Emergency Management Agency. In addition to providing assistance to state and local units of government, we are also involved in developing mitigation measures and projects to reduce or eliminate future risks from natural hazards. Activities over the last two years have included flood recovery efforts in Minnesota, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and response to tornado disaster in Detroit, Michigan. We are hoping for a "quiet" year in '98.

MUP 1979

Powers-Huppertz, Claire (see Miller)

Rabb, Gregory

I have been teaching as Associate Professor of Political Science at Jamestown Community College in Jamestown, NY for the last 12 years. Last year I ran for city council as the first openly gay candidate in Chautauqua County



history and lost but only by about 200 votes. I received 3,200 votes so I plan to try again in 1999. I own a 100-year-old home which I'm trying to keep intact according to acceptable restoration standards. I have two swell cats: Misrun (a cancer survivor) and Charlie (my diabetic cat).

MUP 1978

Robbins, Gerald

I am Director of Planning for Summerlin, a 22,500-acre master planned community on the west side of Las Vegas. We're about one quarter built out with a projected population of 160,000 residents and 65,000 homes. I've been here six years now and it's a dynamic and exciting environment. We have been the number one selling MPC in the country for five out of the last six years. Most people are shocked when they visit because it contradicts the image of Las Vegas. In fact, the only reminders of where we live are the slot and poker machines in the grocery stores, gas stations, 7-Elevens, etc., etc.

Sent my eldest child to college this year (yikes, it's expensive!) and my youngest one is a year away. Haven't been back to Illinois since I graduated 24 years ago but read the Daily Illini on the Internet. In my first year at the U of I, the football team didn't win a game and they repeated that feat last year. *Deja vu*.

Any teachers, alumni, or students coming to Vegas can give me a call and I'll give them a tour.

MUP 1971

Rocker, Lois (see Forster)

Rouch, Jacob

I have been serving in the same capacity with the Erie Conference for nearly four years. The Erie Conference is a membership organization comprised of 130 CEOs in Northwest Pennsylvania committed to regional success in community and economic development. The organization utilizes the CEO influence to gather decision-makers together to develop and implement short-and-long-term solutions to regional competitiveness and quality-of-life

issues. Among the projects presently being pursued by our organization are: enhanced airport services, regional governance, highway and mass transit planning and implementation, port development, business retention, upper level executive recruitment and retention, and centralized emergency communications and dispatch. Our organization facilitates change within the community by NOT competing for the limelight, but, rather, by working behind the scenes for sustainable solutions to long-standing problems. I am presently writing a memoir of my time in DURP called, "I'll see your La Bamba and raise you two Haystacks and a wetland." I would love to get updates from some of my old classmates via the Internet ('cause I really don't want to talk with you, just find out about your life and whether you are someone I need to re-connect with). I pray daily for a competitive Illini football team so I can put these Penn State fans in their place. Finally, I hope the department has finally discovered the need to teach contemporary urban politics as part of the core curriculum.

MUP 1991

Ruhr, Laura

I have recently graduated from Chicago-Kent College of Law and am now working in the field of tort litigation. I am presently employed by the Law Offices of Donald J. Nolan in Chicago.

BAUP 1994

Sabourin, Steven

I am currently in my seventh year with the City of North Chicago since graduation from the University of Illinois. During the last four years I have served as Director of Community Development and Planning. Since reorganizing the department, the staff has nearly doubled in size. Much new development has come to the city, which is due in part to the expanding of the Great Lakes Naval Training Center. Last year we conducted a special census and have increased the size of the City by over 8,000

people, making it the second largest community in Lake County.

I still try to make it down to Champaign-Urbana as often as possible. Homecoming is always a welcoming experience by taking part in the Alumni Marching Band. Sometimes it's hard for us alumni to be called "fossils" by the current Marching Illini members.

In my spare time I love traveling, golfing, bicycling, swimming and playing tennis.
BAUP 1991

Sawicki, Renee (see Hughes)

Schaeffer, Anne Marie (see Moeller)

Scheibe, John E.

Glad to see the high rankings for both the undergraduate and graduate schools. Somebody must be doing something right! Being retired from TVA is even more fun than working there, but owning your own business is really where it's at.
BSCP 1965

Scherer, Dale R.

Best advice I can offer to any LA's or UP's is not to retire! Keep working as long as you're physically able to - not necessarily with LA or Planning, but at something which interests you. In other words, keep involved in your family, work, school and community. People look at me as if I've got rocks in my head - they say (among other things) "...sit back and smell the roses" "...I'll die sooner!" Tell that old coot Lew Hopkins that if he retires, he'd better see a "head doctor." You guys need him to keep you on the straight and narrow!
MS 1948

Sen, Siddhartha

I have tenure now. I am also the department chair of the smallest accredited program. I am also very busy with my research. I have two forthcoming (in press) book chapters and an article. Like true U of I spirit, there are several others "on the works." I miss the U of I and the Department.
Ph.D. 1991

Singley, Yvonne

Just finished coordinating a conference on leadership and core values. Attendance was about 230 people in the Illinois Community College System. Working on my Ph.D. in Education Administration. Too much!
MUP 1974

Smith, Damon

I am currently in my second year as the Director of the University of Illinois' East St. Louis Neighborhood Technical Assistance Center. With a staff of four, our office has successfully completed over one hundred community development projects ranging from board training to volunteer recruitment. Our efforts have resulted in over \$300,000 in new grants for local community organizations. In January of 1999 I will leave East St. Louis to serve as a Junior Faculty member for the International Honors Program. I will teach 30 students in Urban Ecology and Urban Planning courses. The project will take us from Mumbai, India to Johannesburg, South Africa and Rio de Janeiro,

Brazil. Upon my return I will begin a new stage of my career as a student at Harvard Law School.
MUP 1995

Snider, Paige

I'm starting my fourth year at DAI (Development Alternatives, Inc.) in DC. I work in the Governance and Public Sector Management Division, designing and implementing projects in transitional and developing countries. I'm working on several projects in Eastern Europe - Macedonia, Albania and Poland. In most cases we're working on developing local government capacity (budgeting, capital improvement planning, revenue forecasting, economic development, etc.). A large focus is also on civil society - improving dialogue between citizens and government. Mostly this involves setting up mechanisms within government that allow for participation (open council meetings, public info offices, hearings, etc.). My pet project this year is talking me back to central government - a parliamentary development project in Bucharest, Romania. A real thrill! We're always looking for good consultants to do short-term (or if you're interested, long-term) assignments. Give me a call if you're interested!
MUP 1995

Spore, James

Life in Virginia Beach continues to be professionally rewarding and great fun. Issues focus on strategic planning, economic development, growth and environmental management in this unique city now approaching 450,000 population. Joan, Amy and David are doing great. Amy graduates from Villanova May '98!
BUP 1967/MUP 1969

Stalzer, Elizabeth (see Pecora)

Standard, Jill (see Doak)

Strassenburg, Clifford

Giving serious thought to retiring in the next 12 to 18 months. Looking for a second career.
BS 1963

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—Dale Scherer

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Sulzer, Ken

Am still working in San Diego as Executive Director of the Regional Council of Governments. Most of my time is spent allocating transportation dollars to local governments and developing a unified vision for the future of our metropolitan area, now almost 3 million. Will travel to Taiwan to present a paper at the request of the government there in late June.
MS 1962

Swenson, Andy

I continue to be involved with City information technology initiatives. The initial phases of our major document imaging project are completed and we are now adding this year's permit

records to the system. With my role as project manager for the initial phase of the imaging project completed, I have moved back into the planning division. We are busy exploring the uses of the Internet for planning purposes. Go ahead and visit our first site at www.indygov.org/dmdplan/michigan. It's out of date as of now (5/98), but we'll be getting the results of the plan online in the next few months. The rest of the indygov site is pretty good too. Susan is home-schooling our three boys; Charlie (12), Randy (9.5), and Ricky (8). Her daughter, Sarah is 18 and graduating this year from high school. Sarah will begin cosmetology school this summer for nail tech training.
MUP 1984

Switkin, Lisa Tziona

The designs of urban centers and spaces have always intrigued me. I suppose that is why I've made a conscious decision to live in as many interesting, chaotic and historic cities as I possibly can. With this mind frame, after graduation I moved to London, England to work in an architecture and interior design firm specializing in the industrial, commercial, health care, hotel and leisure sectors. I found London to be an amazing city that offers its inhabitants everything, both wild and quaint. The experience of a "pedestrian-oriented" city compared to most American "vehicular-oriented" cities was a refreshing and welcome change. I enjoyed discovering and experiencing spaces rather than walking through linear grids. After London, I decided to move to Manhattan and am currently working on the Hudson River Park Project. Hudson River Park, in its completion, will be a 5-1/2 mile long waterfront park from Battery Park City all the way to 59th Street along the Hudson River. Abel Bainnson Butz, the landscape architecture and site planning firm I work for, is contracted to complete Phase I of Hudson River Park. Phase I, located in the Greenwich Village area, will include an upland lawn area, esplanade and the construction and development of three piers. The project is an exciting, immense undertaking utilizing cutting edge technology and contemporary design combined with historic references and elements.
BAUP 1996

Tazik, David

Moved to Waterways Experiment Station in July 1997, having transferred from CERL in Champaign. It has been an interesting change of pace adapting to the southern culture. Enjoying new research challenges and new people. Having just landed here, the Corps research labs are embarking upon a major reorganization - this will bring further challenges and opportunities.
PHD 1991

Teska, Robert

After joining the "empty nester" ranks several years ago, Diane and I have now moved from our house in Evanston to a new condo over retail shops on the edge of downtown Willmette. We are still only five minutes from the office by car or metro and within walking distance from the beach, re-emphasizing the planning principle of "accessible" communities.
MS 1961



Tessar, Paul

The Tessar clan is once again on the move, westward to Boulder, CO. My new position, as GIS Coordinator for Boulder County, is interesting, challenging and will allow me to spend a lot more "hands on" time on GIS data development, systems and applications. If you find yourself on the Pearl St. Mall in Boulder, stop by the courthouse and say hello!

MUP 1974

Thronley, JoEllen (see Charlton)**Topp, Steven**

After working in Development Review for 4 years with Clark County, Washington and then 2 years writing the Development Code for the City of Beaverton, Oregon, I have crossed over to the private sector. I am now working for RMP Properties, Inc., the #1 homebuilder in the Portland Metropolitan region, as their Development Manager. On a personal note, Shi-yi, and I are going strong and enjoying life with our three canine children.

MUP 88

Trimarco, Gina

I am currently a senior planner at HNTB Corporation in Chicago. This summer marks my tenth year with the firm. I continue to enjoy the urban planning field and still find it very interesting and varied. My husband, son (age 6), daughter (age 4) and I live in the western suburbs. My children's activities keep me busy including my involvement on the PTO at the grammar school and as a soccer coach. I'm also keeping busy running marathons and taking art classes - maybe my urban design skills will improve!

BAUP 1979

Trimble, Lisa (Moore)

I work as a planning consultant in the Municipal Services Department at Homer L. Chastain and Associates.

MUP 1993

Turner, Michael

Since my departure from the planning profession in 1979, I have been concentrating on my new venture (change in career), Executive Recruiting specializing in placing accounting and finance professionals with a variety of industries located in Colorado, throughout the U.S.A. and some overseas locations. My intent in the near future is to participate on a local or state planning or historical committee.

MUP 1971

Vos, Jacobus

In August, 1997 after two years as Visiting Professor I was hired as Assistant Professor in Urban & Regional Planning at Florida Atlantic University.

Ph.D. 1996

Wack, Richard

Well, I'm not really using much of my urban planning education. I'm a practicing trial lawyer in Orlando, FL. Lots of stress but quite interesting.

I really did receive a great education at the U of I. Thanks.

BUP 1972

**Weeks, Stephen**

Attorney at law with offices in Fairbury and Gibson City, Illinois.

BUP 1974

Wilding, Theodore

I left the St. Louis County Planning Department in 1983 and couldn't find a planning job because of their unavailability in the St. Louis area and my age at the time. It was really a blessing because I am now the proud owner of the Buyer's Agent of St. Louis West, an exclusive buyer broker real estate firm. In this arena of real estate we work only for the buyer and never take listings or work for sellers as do most real estate agents. I spent twenty years working for government and now am working for myself and it is great.

MS 1962

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—Theodore Wilding

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Wong, Betsy Pendleton

Started own law office this year in renovated 1915 building in downtown Champaign. Planning skills learned from Wetmore and Blair were of great help. Greetings to my classmates and professors.

BUP 1971

Wood, Anthony

I continue to be very involved in historic preservation activities. Currently I am chair of Partners for Sacred Places, a national organization focusing on the preservation of historic religious structures. I am also an advisor to the National Trust for Historic Preservation from New York State and very active on the Board of the Preservation League of New York State. I am also on the Board of the Land Trust Alliance. This August marks my

twentieth anniversary of moving to New York City after finishing my degree at the U of I. Time flies!

BUP 1974

Woolsey, Rachael (Gentry)

Currently, I am a planner at Homer L. Chastain and Associates, LLP, which is a consulting engineering firm. I have recently been appointed to the City of Decatur Planning Commission. I am working toward my AICP certification.

BAUP 1994

Ziegler, Scott

In July, 1997 I moved over to Applebee's from Hallmark and love it. I had the chance to put more of my planning background to work as a volunteer on the Kansas City strategic plan during '97 and '98. I keep up with Illinois through Alumni Association activities.

BS 1979

Zollner, Joseph

Graduating from John Marshall Law School in June 1998 and will be spending the summer studying for the Bar Exam.

BAUP 1986

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