Recently in Mac Geography..

Lanegran Day celebrations were a ton of fun! On January 24th the department threw a ‘Geography Bowl’ with bowling, trivia, and pizza. Congrats to Ruth Buck for the highest student score on Lanegran Trivia!

On January 27th, we went to Rondo to meet with Marvin Anderson, lifelong St. Paul resident and executive director of ReconnectRondo, an organization dedicated to the construction of the Rondo Land Bridge. Mr. Anderson told us about issues of gentrification and systemic racism in urban development policy, and explained how the Rondo Land Bridge would reconnect the historically Black Rondo community that was torn apart by the construction of Interstate I-94 in the 1960s.
Coming Up This Month...

The Junior Lunch: Thursday February 8th, 11:30-12:30 PM, Carnegie 105
Join Professors Bill Moseley and Catherine Chang for lunch and valuable information to assist you in mapping out your future at Macalester and beyond. RSVP by the end of today: https://goo.gl/forms/Vj9GSKhEwe3qjeLk2

Food, Agriculture, & Society Concentration Potluck: February 9th, 6-8 PM, Alumni House (1644 Summit)
Open to all students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members. Sign up to bring an entree, salad, dessert, or side dish - beverages and utensils provided! Sign up: https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2207530/false#/invitation

Valentines Day Party: Wednesday, February 14th, 11-1 PM, Geography Lounge
Join GTU presidents Millie Varley and Rachel Lieberman to show your love for the best department at Mac by decorating homemade sugar cookies from Laura Kigin, and making Valentines Day Cards!

The Study Abroad Lunch: Thursday, February 15th, 11:30-1:00 PM, Carnegie 107
Come eat bagels and cream cheese, and hear Junior and Senior students in the department reflect on their wide range of programs, continents, and experiences abroad.

Research Talk with Kathryn Grace: Thursday, February 22nd, 4:45-6:00 PM, OLRI 250
Dr. Kathryn Grace from the U of M's Dept of Geography, Environment, and Society will give a talk titled, “Investigating Birthweight, Temperature, and Precipitation in Africa” examining how weather and climate impact health outcomes in 19 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa.

“What Fuels Development?”: February 23rd-24th, 7:30 PM, Old Arizona Studio
Pangea Theater presents the Los Angeles Poverty Department’s play exploring the mechanics of gentrification and displacement in an age of immense income inequality. Details on potential transportation and ticket subsidies to come - so stay tuned! http://www.pangeaworldtheater.org/what-fuels-development

Look out for RSVP forms sent out by Laura Kigin!
Alumni Spotlight: Anoushka Millear, Class of 2015

Anoushka Millear ‘15 (left) - pictured with fellow Geography Major Claire Finn ‘15, visiting other Macalester Geography friends in Brazil this past December

At Macalester, Anoushka was a geography major with concentrations in Community and Global Health and African Studies. During her time as a student, she was very interested in medical geography and exploring public health through a geographic lens. She took Medical Geography and Health GIS with Eric Carter, and she TA-ed both of those classes as well.

Currently, Anoushka is finishing her third year as a Post-Bachelor Fellow at the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation in Seattle, WA, and concurrently finishing her MPH in Global Health at University of Washington. At IHME, she models nutritional deficiencies and child growth failure for the Global Burden of Disease study. Outside of work and school, she spends time wandering around Seattle, trying to get lost and see places that are new to her, as well as hosting lots of Macalester folks who tend to come through town!
Geog News for this Month..

In the World of Remote Sensing...

Sprawling Mayan Network Discovered Under Guatemala Jungle

Superbowl News...

Where did the homeless go in Minneapolis during Super Bowl week?

Security deployed at Super Bowl is largest in Minnesota history

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