

Mission Statement: To encourage and facilitate interactions among individuals who are interested in research, practice, and education of transportation-related topics.

Dues Information: \$5 (students, \$2)

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Accomplishments

The business meeting was held on Thursday, April 14, 2011, at the AAG Annual Meeting in Seattle. We awarded the Edward L. Ullman Award for Significant Contributions to Transportation Geography to David Greene from Oak Ridge National Laboratory. As a nomination letter read, "Dr. Greene is the leading authority on transportation and energy use. He has had a long and distinguished career in transportation studies and his work has influenced the thinking of academics, policy leaders at the highest level, and the general public... His work was also recognized by the Nobel Peace Prize Committee when it awarded the Nobel Peace Prize to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change... Dr. Greene's work is an excellent blend of theory and practicality, focusing on the overlap of what is doable and what is desirable."

Our student paper awards went to Tijs Neutens from Ghent University for the Ph.D.: "Space, time, and accessibility: analyzing human activities and travel possibilities from a time-geographic perspective," with Thomas Pingel from UC-Santa Barbara ("Strategic elements of route choice") and Steven Farber

from McMaster University ("The social costs of automobility") as runners-up. Kalina Soltys of the University of Toronto won the Master's award for "Toward an understanding of carpool formation and use".

The annual Fleming Lecture in Transportation Geography was given by Kevin O'Connor of the University of Melbourne. When Professor Douglas Fleming retired from teaching at the University of Washington after a pioneering career in transportation geography (and his earlier career in merchant shipping) in 1992, the Department of Geography decided to fund an honorarium for a distinguished lecture at the annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers. This lectureship is designed to recognize outstanding contributions in the field in transportation geography. The Department of Geography at the University of Washington solicits the TGSG's recommendation each year of an outstanding person to so honor. Dr. O'Connor's work on airlines, airports, and global connectivity is well known to transport geographers, and his talk covering his work on this topic was well-received by the crowd in attendance.

Membership and Participation

We noted a new high in membership of 339. Thanks to the AAG allowing the specialty groups access to unaffiliated abstracts, we organized and sponsored a total of 37 sessions at the annual meeting.

Financial Report

8/31/10	Balance forward		\$ 3,316.42
9/30/10	Dues collected for September 2010	56.00	3,372.42
10/31/10	Dues collected for October 2010	262.00	3,634.42
11/30/10	Dues collected for November 2010	110.00	3,744.42
12/31/10	Dues collected for December 2010	106.00	3,850.42
1/31/11	Dues collected for January 2011	78.00	3,928.42
2/28/11	Dues collected for February 2011	21.00	3,949.42
3/31/11	Dues collected for March 2011	63.00	4,012.42
4/15/11	Farber - PhD Thesis Runner Up		(100.00) 3,912.42
4/15/11	Neutens - PhD Student Paper Award		(250.00) 3,662.42
4/16/11	Pingel - PhD Thesis Runner Up		(100.00) 3,562.42
4/15/11	Awards luncheon tickets		(165.00) 3,397.42
4/30/11	Dues collected for April 2011	71.99	3,469.41
5/31/11	Dues collected for May 2011	53.00	3,522.41
6/30/11	Dues collected for June 2011	34.00	3,556.41
7/31/11	Dues collected for July 2011	26.00	3,582.41
7/31/11	Balance		<u>\$ 3,582.41</u>