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The American Geographical Society Names 2017 AGS Geography Teacher Fellows

Description: The American Geographical Society (AGS) has named the AGS Geography Teacher Fellows for 2017. As part of the recognition, the Teacher Fellows will attend and participate in the AGS Fall 2017 Symposium “The Future of Mobility” in New York City on November 16 and 17, 2017.

[New York City, NY] – [September 7, 2017] — The American Geographical Society (AGS) has named the 2017 AGS Geography Teacher Fellows. Fifty teachers were selected from across the United States to participate in this second year of the program. The AGS Geography Teacher Fellow Program has been made possible by a generous gift to AGS by the Boundless Corporation.

The selected teachers are:

Donielle Albrecht
Cassie Bates
Daniel Berry
Jacqueline Borgmastars
Alan Cardon
Jessica Clouse
Deborah Edmondson
Michelle Emond
Robin Foster
Jennifer Garner
Brandy Glover
Nathan Gray
Phillip Hare
Jennifer Henley
Greg Hill

Teresa Hoggard
Kristi Kiefer
Matthew Larkey
Michael Lawler
Samantha Leihsing
Alicia Lewis
Ann Linsley
Melissa Lizarraga
Tanya Lohr
Gene Mari Morgan
Brian McAninch
Karen McCormick
Valerie Mervine
Katherine Murphy
Jill Ogden
Kathleen Pickering
Lindsey Ragsdale
Morgan Rich
MaryAnn Sansonetti-Wood
Kimberly Schiller
Elizabeth Smalley
Dali Stires
Sara Stout
Susan Syme
Corey Thomas
Melissa Tracy
Julie Wakefield
Carol Ward
Carter Waterkeyn
Sammie Watson

As part of the award for being selected as a Teacher Fellow, they will attend the AGS Fall Symposium on November 16 and 17, 2017 at Columbia University in New York City. The Symposium will enable the Teacher Fellows to gain valuable cutting-edge content knowledge and awareness of the real-world geographic workplace skills demanded by today’s geospatial companies. The Teacher Fellows will have a unique opportunity to interact with, and become one of, the nation’s thought-leaders who are involved in the multi-year dialog about the future of geography.

“We are very pleased to be able to have 50 of the best teachers in the country join us in New York City in November,” said Dr. John Konarski, CEO of the American Geographical Society. “The collective experience and expertise of these Geography Teacher Fellows will be an integral component as AGS leads the cause for the future of geography and geospatial science. In addition, the teachers will be able to bring back to their classrooms practical and cutting-edge information and applications of the latest advancements in the geospatial world,” added Dr. Konarski.

The AGS Fall Symposium is one of the most important and recognized geography/geospatial events in North America during the Fall Semester. Attendees include CEOs and senior executives from preeminent geospatial companies along with leading experts and representatives from government, not-for-profits, and academia.
The American Geographical Society (AGS) is a 21st century learning society dedicated to the advancement of geographic thinking, knowledge, and understanding across business, government, academe, social sectors, and most importantly with teachers and students. Established in 1851, AGS is the oldest professional geographical organization in the United States. It is recognized worldwide as a pioneer in geographical research and education for over 166 years. The mission of AGS is to advance and promote geography in business, government, science, and education. Our goal is to enhance the nation's geographic literacy so as to engender sound public policy, national security, and human well-being worldwide. AGS seeks to engage the American public, from its youngest to its oldest citizens, with new and amazing ways to understand and characterize our changing world. The Society maintains its headquarters in New York City.

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