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Alma Harrington Young, Former UAA Governing Board Chair and Dean of the College of Urban, Labor and Metropolitan Affairs

It is with deep regret and sadness that we must announce the loss of a respected and well-loved colleague. On Sunday, March 14, Alma H. Young, Dean of College of Urban, Labor, and Metropolitan Affairs and holder of the Coleman A. Young Endowed Chair, age 57, died unexpectedly at her home. She is survived by her husband, Dennis Young; her son, Alden; her mother; two sisters, and two brothers.

Before joining the faculty at Wayne State in 1997, Dr. Young had held posts as Professor of Urban and Public Affairs, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and Director of the Doctoral Program in Urban Studies, at the University of New Orleans. She was past president of the Caribbean Studies Association. In 1995, she held a Fulbright at Potchefstroom University in South Africa, studying adult literacy. From 1991-96, she served as faculty director of the Toyota Families for Learning program in New Orleans, a family literacy program.

A leading figure in the field of urban affairs, Dr. Young was educated at Radcliffe College (B.A. 1969), Columbia University (M.S. 1970) and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Ph.D., Political Science, 1978). Her areas of research included the political economy of urban development, gendered perspectives of the changing welfare state, race and poverty, literacy and community building, and political development within the English speaking Caribbean. Her scholarly work increased our awareness and understanding of the challenges we face in creating an equitable society.

As a member of UAA for over 20 years, she played virtually every significant role possible within the organization. From 1999 to 2001, she served as Chair of the Governing Board. During her tenure as Board Chair she led a successful assessment of UAA's future and helped to set a new course for organizational development. Among many contributions to the organization and the field, she will be remembered for her supportive mentoring of emerging scholars and graduate students.

To recognize her many notable accomplishments and share our memories of Dr. Young, we will have a special remembrance gathering in her honor at the Annual Meeting on Friday, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Look for further information regarding the location in the conference program. In addition to this event, the UAA Governing Board will be developing a more permanent form of recognition to commemorate Dr. Young's contributions.

Dr. Young's graciousness and warmth will be sorely missed by all who had the good fortune to know her.



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The **Urban Affairs Association** is the international professional organization for urban scholars, researchers, and public service providers. **UAA** exists to

- Encourage the dissemination of information about urbanism and urbanization
- Support the development of university education, research, and service programs in urban affairs
- Provide leadership in fostering urban affairs as a professional and academic field.

UAA includes institutional, individual and student members from colleges and universities throughout North America, Europe and Asia. Among its other activities, UAA sponsors the *Journal of Urban Affairs*.

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Washington... March 31-April 3... The Place To Be!

By Margaret Wilder

The Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association is always an exciting time for anyone interested in cutting edge research and discussions of critical issues facing urban places. This year's conference promises to be one of the largest in UAA history. We are anticipating over 400 individual paper and colloquy presentations! A dynamic group of participants are coming from across the U.S., as well as Canada, China, England, France, Germany, Israel, the Netherlands, Portugal, Scotland and Sweden. The broad range of topics (e.g. impacts of information technology, immigration, welfare reform, brownfield reclamation, sprawl, regionalism, globalization) reflects the multi-faceted nature of urban issues and policy challenges. [See the UAA website (www.udel.edu/uaa) for the Preliminary Program and other Annual Meeting information]. Among the many interesting sessions planned are a few that capture some fairly unique perspectives:

- Session 27: A group of Chicago-based researchers discuss challenges and innovative strategies related to "urban food systems" within inner-city communities;
- Sessions 15 & 60: Researchers consider the economic and political impacts of 9/11 on cities;
- Session 68: Al-Jazeera, CNN, and the FCC are major players in the world of broadcast media. Representatives of each organization and media scholars discuss the role of news in the formation of public attitudes and policy.

Other sessions give us an opportunity to "visit" specific urban areas such as Newark (20), New York (2, 15), Philadelphia (37), Tampa Bay (55), and Washington, DC (66), and learn about social, economic and political issues confronting these cities. More global perspectives are offered in sessions with international and/or comparative themes (Sessions 17, 22, 29, 39, 41, 49, 69, 85, 88, and BRT 4). On the practical side, special breakfast roundtable (BRT) and panel sessions have been organized to provide professional development opportunities. These sessions cover topics such as: writing book reviews, converting grant reports into publishable articles, getting tenured and promoted, teaching comparative politics, and public service as an elected or appointed public official. For those of you who want to do a bit of course planning or simply stay up-to-date on the literature, our publishers display will give you a chance to review and purchase current texts and journals.

And did I mention that we get to have fun as well? Washington holds a wealth of options for dining, sightseeing, shopping, and other leisure activities. Then of course we have the traditional UAA receptions and coffee breaks, perfect networking contexts (for those who never miss a chance to make connections), or simply great opportunities to make and renew acquaintances. If this is your first UAA annual meeting, you will be impressed by the lively discussions and content of sessions, and the welcoming attitude of long-time members. If this is your 5th, 10th, or 20th UAA conference, it will be good to see you again.

On behalf of my fellow Program Committee members (Bill Barnes, Nevin Brown, and Todd Swanstrom), I thank each participant as you busily prepare your presentations. You are the key to making this a successful event! See you all in Washington!

34th Annual Meeting Highlights Conference Tours

The Arlington County Transit Corridor: What a Well-Planned Transit Corridor Looks Like! EPA calls it the best example of a smart growth community in the nation. The Urban Land Institute gave it only its second Award for Excellence for a local government. It is considered the quintessential example of transportation oriented development in action today in the country. What is it? It is Arlington, Virginia. Ride the train to Arlington and join Virginia Tech faculty along with Arlington staff on a tour of the heart of Arlington's transit corridor. Learn what Arlington did, how it did it, why it did it, and where it is headed.

21 spaces available

DC Neighborhoods in Transition: Challenges of Revitalization from a Community Perspective. This walking tour through the diverse and dynamic neighborhoods of Columbia Heights and Shaw in northwest DC will be led by Reverend Jim Dickerson, a long-time community activist who will describe the dramatic changes underway and discuss the challenges they present for residents seeking to preserve affordable housing and neighborhood diversity. Participants will be bussed to the neighborhood where there will be a 1.5–2 hour walking tour on a lovely (hopefully) spring day in D.C.

Revitalizing Urban Communities: A Study of Silver Spring and Wheaton, MD. Montgomery County, Maryland is an incubator for innovative planning and smart growth implementation. As such, it is an excellent place to visit and experience. This tour will focus on how strong county leadership can encourage the extensive revitalization of urban areas by studying Silver Spring and Wheaton in Montgomery County, MD. In order to demonstrate the County's commitment to Silver Spring, County Executive, Doug Duncan created a Redevelopment Office responsible for encouraging the redevelopment of Silver Spring by providing superior and transparent, county services. The Silver Spring portion of the tour will be guided by Gary Stith, Director of the Silver Spring Regional Services Center and Bryant Foulger, Foulger Pratt Development. Utilizing many of the revitalization components and strategies that were successful in Silver Spring, the County established a Redevelopment Program in downtown Wheaton 3 1/2 years ago. The Wheaton portion of the tour will be guided by Bob Fischer, Acting Director of the Wheaton Redevelopment Program. Mr. Fischer will be joined by Toby Millman, Eakin/Youngentob Development.

15 spaces available.

A Boat Tour of the Anacostia Waterfront. The Anacostia waterfront represents the single largest revitalization opportunity for Washington D.C. and is one of Mayor Anthony A. Williams' top priorities and greatest passions. As the city is currently in a period of explosive growth and looks to a future of adding 100,000 people, expanding employment for its residents, confronting the widening divide between rich and poor and strengthening its competitiveness

as a global city, the Anacostia Waterfront Initiative (AWI) offers the greatest and possibly last prospect for achieving these ambitious goals. The tour, led by Andrew Altman, director of the D.C. Office of Planning, will take participants on a boat to see and hear about how AWI is bringing together the city, federal government, private sector, foundations and numerous communities in one of the most ambitious and comprehensive urban revitalization initiatives in the country, encompassing 2800 acres of land, 7 miles of shoreline and over 40 neighborhoods, some of which are the most economically-distressed in the city. The tour will highlight new Hope VI neighborhoods, the role of the expanding Navy Yard, areas where new parks are being built and environmental restoration is occurring and an innovative city/federal partnership to redevelop federal land into a new neighborhood for the city. Participants will hear how the city is using the Anacostia as a strategy for re-making the city, the community process the city undertook, the challenges and partnerships developed with the federal government and how development of the waterfront is being linked as an "equity" strategy to bring resources and opportunity to distressed east of the river neighborhoods.

20 spaces available

Duke Ellington's DC: A tour of A Historic African-American Neighborhood. This tour, developed by Cultural Tourism DC, provides an historical and contemporary insider's perspective on what was once and is now once again one of the hottest neighborhoods and entertainment districts in Washington, DC: the area surrounding U Street, NW. The four-hour bus tour takes participants back to the heyday of the music and culture scene of Washington, DC, back to a time when U Street was known as the Black Broadway. U Street is the center of the Shaw neighborhood, a historic African American community with a prosperous middle class dating from the early 1900s, a center of the Civil Rights movement and a focal point for the 1968 riots. Now considered a poster-child example of gentrification in Washington DC, this tour provides a rare opportunity to encounter the continuing evolution of a truly unique neighborhood, one that demonstrates the myriad and changing social and economic relationships of urban America over the past 100+ years. Landmarks along the way include the Lincoln Theatre, jewel of the U Street arts, the Thurgood Marshall Center for Heritage and Service which was home of the nation's first black YMCA, and the African American Civil War Memorial, the only monument of its kind in the country.

12 spaces available

You may still sign up for these tours at the conference. Please stop by the tours desk when you register. All tours have a 25 person limit, so be sure to sign up as soon as possible. All tours have a \$25 registration fee.

34th Annual Meeting Program Overview

**“Context Matters:
Shaping Urban Policy Locally, Nationally and Internationally”**

Washington Marriott Hotel

Washington, DC

March 31-April 3, 2004

Wednesday, March 31

6:30 pm.....Opening Reception at the Washington Marriott Hotel.
Sponsored by the Fannie Mae Foundation and the Urban Affairs Association

Thursday, April 1

6:30 am.....22nd Annual Fun Run
12:30 pm.....Luncheon: Guest Speaker: John DeStefano, Jr.
Mayor of New Haven, Connecticut & Former President of the National
League of Cities
4:30 pm.....Plenary at the Urban Institute
Moderator: William Barnes
Panelist include: Bruce Katz, Bob Reischauer, and Alice Rivlin,
6:30 pm.....Local Host Reception at The Marvin Center, Hosted by George Washington
University

Friday, April 2

12:30 pm.....Awards Luncheon: Guest Speaker: Alan Ehrenhalt
Executive Editor, *Governing Magazine*
4:00 pm.....Plenary at the Washington Marriott-- Moderator: Margery Turner
Panelist Include: Xavier Briggs, Paul Jargowsky, and Sako Musterd
5:30 pm.....Annual Business Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association
6:30 pm.....Special Remembrance Gathering in Memory of Alma Young
7:00 pm.....Student Reception
Sponsored by the Urban Affairs Association Governing Board

Saturday, April 3

1:30 pm.....Special Interest Tours (see related descriptions in “ConferenceTours” article.)

City Futures International Conference – July 8–10, 2004

This conference involves collaboration between the UAA and our counterpart in Europe - the European Urban Research Association (EURA). Organized by Robin Hambleton, Janet Smith and colleagues at the College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs at the University of Illinois at Chicago the conference has attracted a very high level of international interest. Over 220 abstracts have been received from a total of 41 different countries. An International Conference Organizing Committee, comprising members of the UAA and EURA, is now working on the detailed planning and preparation for what promises to be a very successful international gathering. There will be three comparative tracks: 1) Comparative urban analysis, 2) Comparative urban planning and 3) Comparative city governance. It is hoped that some of the papers can feed into future issues of the Journal of Urban Affairs. The closing date for abstracts has now passed. For more information please visit: www.uic.edu/cuppa/cityfutures.

35th Annual Meeting – Salt Lake City, Utah

**Borrowing from the Future:
Equity, Sustainability and the Urban Question**

Wyndham Hotel--Salt Lake City, Utah
April 13 - 17, 2005

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National Program Committee:

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Local Host Committee:

Romney Institute of Public Management, Brigham Young University
Rex Facer III, Chair

The 35th Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association provides a particularly appropriate occasion to examine a fundamental question: In what ways are we borrowing from the future in order to create our current urban environments? The conference theme challenges us to assess the costs and benefits of urban development, and to explore ways in which we can promote urban communities that are both socially and politically equitable, and physically and economically sustainable. Currently much debate surrounds the role of market-driven urban growth and attendant effects such as wealth accumulation and uneven development. Urban areas are facing difficult policy choices as they attempt to carve a niche in the global economy, balance local and regional development pressures, and address social needs such as poverty and unemployment. How will cities survive uneven development, environmental problems, and growing social divisions over the next 20 to 30 years? How will governance shape and be shaped by these challenges? Is the idea of "sustainability" compatible with advanced capitalism? What are realistic alternatives to current practices? These provocative questions and others will form the basis of our 35th annual meeting. Utah will be the site for exploring alternative roadmaps toward a sustainable urban future.

You are invited to submit proposals for papers, panels, colloquies and breakfast roundtables to the 35th Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association. Given the importance of cross-national policy learning, we strongly encourage proposal submissions from our international colleagues in Canada, Europe, Asia, and Latin America.

Proposal Deadline: October 1, 2004

We anticipate a large demand for participation. Proposals received after the deadline will be considered on a "space-available" basis. Due to space constraints, participants are limited to involvement in a maximum of two sessions.

Proposal Submission:

We invite proposals that address the conference theme and any of the broad array of urban affairs subjects found at past UAA conferences. Proposals should be submitted on-line at <http://www.udel.edu/uaa>. Proposals will be reviewed by the conference program committee, and potential participants will be notified of its decision no later than December 1, 2004.

The Journal of Urban Affairs invites submissions of all manuscripts from the conference. Selected papers from the conference will appear in the Spring 2006 issue of the journal and additional papers will be considered for future issues of JUA. Inquiries about journal submissions should be directed to Scott Cummings (Editor) at jua@slu.edu.

Positions Available

Urban Affairs publishes current job openings as submitted by members on the UAA website and in the quarterly newsletters. Non-members may place a job posting for a one-time fee of \$175. To see most current position openings, visit www.udel.edu/uaa/jobs.html.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte Department of Geography and Earth Sciences

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Department of Geography and Earth Sciences is recruiting an outstanding candidate for the Knight Professor of Public Policy to begin in the Fall term, 2004. The successful candidate will have a distinguished research record including publications and funded research, graduate teaching and mentorship credentials, and the ability to work with colleagues from several academic departments and the community. The Department seeks a scholar with focus in the area of urban, regional, or environmental policy. The appointee will be expected to teach three courses per year, conduct funded research, and direct doctoral students.

The successful candidate will be a core faculty member in the interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Public Policy, which began in the Fall of 2001 and currently has more than 25 students. The appointee must have experience and credentials commensurate with the rank of Professor in the Department of Geography and Earth Sciences. The Knight Distinguished Professorship and the endowment derivatives are for an initial term of five years, renewable for additional terms.

Review of applications will begin January 1, 2004 and continue until the position is filled. Send: 1) letter of application stating primary teaching and research interests, 2) vita, 3) three references to the address given below. Finalists may be asked to send additional materials at a later date. AA/EOE

Applications may be sent to:

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Minnesota State University Mankato Urban & Regional Studies Institute

The Urban & Regional Studies Institute at Minnesota State University Mankato is recruiting for a tenure-track faculty position at the assistant professor level beginning August, 2004. Successful candidates must hold a terminal degree in urban studies or a related area. The successful candidate will be committed to active, applied

learning and to fostering community in a diverse and pluralistic society. A full listing of responsibilities and qualifications is available at <http://mnsu.edu/humanres/employment.html>.

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We are located in a community recognized as one of the outstanding "micropolitan communities" in the US, 80 miles from Minneapolis. Currently, 25 languages are spoken in homes in the school district.

Initial review of applications will begin January 7, 2004 and will continue until the position is filled. Applicants should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, unofficial transcripts, statement of philosophy of teaching and teaching interest, statement of scholarly interests and plans, and the names, e-mail addresses and telephone numbers of three references to:

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People & Programs

Please send announcements that you would like listed in Urban Affairs to uaa@udel.edu

Douglas Rae's recent book, *CITY* (Yale University Press, will be discussed in Session 33 and in the Thursday lunch speech by Mayor DeStefano. It will be on display at the Associated Book Exhibit table at the 34th Annual Meeting in Washington, DC.

Eric Klinenberg's, the winner of last's year Best Book Award, *Heatwave*, will also be on display at the Associated Book Exhibits table at the 34th Annual Meeting. Mr. Klinenberg will be presented with his award at the Award's luncheon on April 2, 2004.

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- The UAA Membership Directory
- *Urban Affairs* (Newsletter) (published quarterly)
- Discounted Rates for the Urban Affairs Annual Meeting

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