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World Planning Day

“Innovations in Planning for Livable Cities in Asia and the Pacific”

University of Hawaii’s Department of Urban and Regional Planning (DURP) hosted the annual World Planning Day on November 4th - sharing lessons and experiences to promote the role of planning in creating livable communities. This year’s event focused on areas within Asia and the Pacific where rapid transitions to urban societies require innovations in urban governance and planning.

Presentations included the film, “Dancing in the Park -- Hanoi at its Millennium” directed by DURP’s Prof. Mike Douglass and Henry Mochida with Hao Nguyen, discussed the value of public space to social life; a presentation by Dr. Priyam Das, “Building Partnerships for Urban Governance and Planning Lessons from India”, which highlights innovative approaches that redefine relations among governments, non-governmental organizations, and communities to improve the quality of life within secondary cities in India; and Prof. Jim Spencer & John Dietrich presenting, “Rapid Growth with Socialist Roots - A Presentation on Planning for “Green” Development in Vietnam”, discussed findings from the Spring 2010 Practicum that worked to address some of the unique challenges of building a sustainable economy in a region with a range of development choices. The project dealt with tourism development, coastal planning, environmental planning and economic development. For more information on the event, visit:

<http://www.durp.hawaii.edu/Library/Document%20pdf/WTP.ProgramWeb.pdf>

APA would like to congratulate the 2010 Planning Awardees:

- Dinell Outstanding Alumni: **Khaleda Rashid**
- Planners of the Year: **Peter Rappa and Shabbir Cheema**
- APA Student Scholarship Recipients: **Molly Chlebnikow and Aaron Mann**

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The APA Scholarship is sponsored by the APA member contributions; rewarding student(s) based on merit and demonstrated service contributions to the Department. Established in 1980 as a student essay scholarship competition, in 1992/1993, the scholarship transformed into what it is today. Congratulations Molly & Aaron!

Molly Chlebnikow is pursuing her Masters in Urban and Regional Planning (MURP) with a focus on community planning. She previously worked for an education non-profit, mobilizing underserved families to improve the DC public school system. Along with her MURP, she hopes to obtain a certificate in Peace and Conflict Resolution and continue to support community-based art programs as a ways to enhance and articulate vision for place.

Aaron Mann's area of concentration (AOC) is environmental planning with a focus on the preservation of public lands. He anticipates graduating in the Spring 2011 and plans to pursue a career in environmental planning specializing in public land trusts, advocating for usable and non-intrusive use. His background is in business, and actively studying architecture.

Both Molly and Aaron actively participate in University Students of Urban & Regional Planning (USURP). Molly is the co-chair and Aaron represents the UH Graduate Student Organization. USURP provides peer support and social activities with the opportunity to impact the academic experience. Currently, the group is working with Sustainable Saunders – a university supported sustainability program– to develop an aquaponics community garden. In addition, Molly and Aaron are spearheading a project to evaluate and assess the current DURP curriculum in hopes of revitalizing the curriculum to incorporate the latest theories and practices in urban planning. Both Molly and Aaron are very thankful for the Scholarship and appreciate APA Hawaii's generosity.

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