MONDAY MEMO

This is the second week of the Fall 2015 semester.

ALERTS:

• There will be no Walk-In Hours today (8/31), but if you need to add a class (next item), you can stop in to have the form signed.
• You can still add a class this week, but you can no longer add online in Ozone. To add this week, you must have instructor and dean permission on an Add/Drop form, and then take that from to the Office of Enrollment Services, Buchanan Hall, Room 230.
• If you need to drop a class this week, you can still do that online in Ozone until this Friday, September 4th at 5:00 PM – which is also the deadline to drop a
class without a ‘W’ appearing on your permanent record.
• No classes will be held next Monday, September 7th, due to the Labor Day holiday. Classes will resume on Tuesday, September 8th, which is when you will receive your next Monday Memo.
• The Department of Geography and Environmental Sustainability welcomes all DGES majors (undergrads and grads) to their annual Welcome Back Picnic THIS FRIDAY, September 4th, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM in Andrews Park in Norman (201 W. Daws St.). The event will be catered by CoolGreens, and include free t-shirts and other prizes. The Splash Pad will also be open so make sure you join the merriment!
• The **Meteorology Help Desk** is now in service for the fall 2015 semester. The Help Desk is open Sunday-Thursday from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the National Weather Center, Room 1100. Please use this awesome FREE service if you’re struggling in any meteorology class.
• The Countdown Continues: Just 25 days until the *Galileo’s World* opening forum at the National Weather Center, on Friday September 25th at 1:00 PM. Go here: [https://galileo.ou.edu/](https://galileo.ou.edu/) for all the details of this incredible event.
OWL’s spacious new headquarters are located right off the NWC Atrium.

**OWL Info Session on Wednesday**

The Oklahoma Weather Lab (OWL) will host an information session about the organization (including how to sign up for a forecasting or media shift) on Wednesday, September 2nd, at 6:00 PM in the National Weather Center, Room 1313. All past and new OWL members are encouraged to attend. The new executive board will be introduced and future changes will be announced, including a shift from seminar-based general meetings to workshops. For more about this great organization, check out their website at [http://owl.ou.edu/](http://owl.ou.edu/)

**First GIS Club Meeting on Thursday**

The Geographic Information Science (GIS) Club invites all GIS
majors, and students who are interested in learning about GIS (undergraduates and graduates) to attend the club’s first meeting of the school year, on Thursday, September 3rd at 5:00 PM in Sarkeys Energy Center, Room 442. Topics for discussion include future club events, geographic related issues, advice on applying to graduate school, careers that benefit from GIS, and many things in between. There will be FREE FOOD as well, so mark your calendars!

Discover the NSF Research Program

The goal of the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) is to help ensure the vitality and diversity of the scientific and engineering workforce of the United States. The program recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students who are pursuing research-based master's and doctoral degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) and in STEM education. The GRFP provides three years of support for the graduate education of individuals who have demonstrated their potential for significant research achievements in STEM and STEM education. NSF especially encourages women, members of underrepresented minority groups, persons with disabilities, and veterans to apply. NSF also encourages undergraduate seniors to apply. For details (including application deadlines), go
Student Success Series begins this week

University College’s fall 2015 Student Success Series (SSS) begins Wednesday, September 2nd with Connecting on Campus from 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM in Wagner Hall, Room 250. On Thursday (9/3), the SSS will present Finding a Student Job from 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM, also in Wagner Hall, Room 250. There are a total of 36 presentations scheduled this fall in topics ranging from Transfer Shock to Study Skills. You can find the full schedule online here: http://www.ou.edu/content/studentsuccess/workshops.html. UC is also introducing Fast Track Seminars this fall. There are four sessions (designated by an * on the schedule) that will present for 30 minutes with a 20 minute optional student workshop space. The Student Success Series is a wonderful academic resource for students; we strongly encourage you to take advantage of a session or two this fall.
DEVELOP application projects serve the global community by cultivating partnerships all academic organizations and all levels of government.

‘DEVELOP’ research at NASA

NASA DEVELOP National Program is looking for participants for their Spring 2016 term. NASA DEVELOP is an interdisciplinary internship program that focuses on research projects utilizing NASA Earth Observations. Participants must be willing to relocate for the duration of the term. Undergraduates, graduate students, and recent graduates are all welcome to apply. The application period for the Spring is open until October 2\textsuperscript{nd} and the application period for Summer 2016 opens on January 4\textsuperscript{th}. For more information, go here: [http://develop.larc.nasa.gov/](http://develop.larc.nasa.gov/) and click on ‘Apply.’

Seeking Broadcasting Experience?

If you are interested in joining the weather team on “OU
Nightly,” OU’s student-run evening news program ([http://ounightly.com/](http://ounightly.com/)) please contact Joe Puma at Joseph.m.puma-1@ou.edu or Bradon Long at Bradon.K.Long-1@ou.edu for an application to join the team.

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**Emergency Management Internship**

If you are considering a career working in or with emergency management or community planning, Tulsa Partners, Inc. has an opportunity for you to gain some behind-the-scenes experience. Tulsa Partners, Inc., is looking for students interested in unpaid internships for the Fall and/or Spring semesters to work on a whole-community approach in emergency management planning and training. Work includes risk assessment, preparing public information, educational outreach, analysis of survey results and work with the March 25, 2015 Tornado Tulsa Area Long Term Recovery Committee. The internships also have the opportunity to work with the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities initiative, for which Tulsa was recently selected. Work can be completed in Norman (in conjunction with SCIPP) although several trips to Tulsa may be required. Internship course credit is possible. Contact Dr. Mark Shafer at mshafer@ou.edu for details.
ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MM?
If you have any announcement you would like posted in Monday Memo (e.g., meetings, seminars, jobs, internships or just some great news) please send it to Asst. Dean Hempe (mahempe@ou.edu) by Friday at noon to appear in the next week's edition.

On this Day in History:

Walesa pulled off the impossible in Poland;

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he was later named "Time's" Man of the Year.

In 1881, the first U.S. tennis championships were played on a grass court at the Newport Casino in Newport, RI. Nineteen-year-old Richard Sears won the first U.S. Men’s Singles competition that year – the first of seven consecutive titles for the Boston native.

In 1886, an earthquake with a reported 7.6 magnitude hit Charleston, S.C. Although more severe quakes had hit the U.S. before, they were in sparsely populated areas with few buildings. The Charleston quake was the first to strike a bustling city; over 100 people were killed and thousands of buildings were damaged or destroyed. The total damage was in excess of $5.5 million (about $112 million today).

In 1910, the first U.S. airplane flight over water was made by Glenn Hammond Curtiss in his biplane over Lake Erie from Euclid Beach Park in Cleveland, Ohio, to Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio. The 70 mile trip took 78 minutes (nonstop), cruising at an altitude of between 400 and 500 feet.

In 1915, Bartlesville, OK, reported a chilly 38°, establishing a state record for the month of August.

In 1920, John Lloyd Wright (the second son of architect Frank Lloyd Wright) was issued a patent for one of the best toys ever created in the history of the world. Wright called his invention “Toy Cabin Construction,” but you know them better as Lincoln Logs.

In 1954, Hurricane Carol struck New England, leaving 72 people dead and over $412 million in damages (over $3.5 billion dollars today).

In 1955, William G. Cobb demonstrated his “Sunmobile,” the world’s first solar-powered car, at the General Motors Powerama Auto Show in Chicago, Illinois. The tiny (15”) Sunmobile was intended to show the potential for solar-powered vehicles, but never progressed beyond the novelty
In 1959, Brooklyn Dodger Sandford “Sandy” Koufax set a National League record that still stands when he struck out 18 batters from the San Francisco Giants in a single game. In 1980, Poland’s Solidarity labor movement was born with an agreement signed in Gdansk that ended a 17-day strike led by former electrician Lech Walesa. Solidarity was the first independent labor union to develop in a Soviet bloc nation. In 1987, eight cities in Washington and Oregon experienced record high temperatures, including Eugene, OR and Portland, OR which both reported afternoon highs of 102°. Further east, Aberdeen SD established an August record low with 32° (and a layer of frost), and it was even colder in Britton, SD, at 31°.

And your parting shot:
Urban Geography at its finest...
Two officers stand in the waiting room of Chicago's Union Station as the sun streams through and spotlights them in this stunning 1943 photo from Jack Delano.

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