

**NCGE/Herff–Jones Nystrom  
(Formerly CRAM) Scholarship Award Winners (1989–2010)**

**1989**

Richelle Bragg of B.A. Laney High School, Wilmington, NC and Micki McWilliams of Cherokee Middle School, Tuscumbia, AL

Judy Britt – Alabama Geographic Alliance, Huntsville, AL

Vivian Gobble of Roanoke County Schools, Salem, VA and Beth Branvon of Roanoke County Schools, Salem, VA

Linda Poff of Straley Elementary School, Princeton, WV

Fred Walk of Normal Community High School, Normal, IL

**1990**

Judy L. Pearce of Kamehameha Secondary School, Honolulu, HI and Charlene K. Hamaguchi of Mililani Uka Elementary, Mililani, HI – *“Just a Stump and a Phone Call Away”*

Jan Stafford of Clovis Unified School District, Clovis, CA – *“Geography and Literature – What a Way To Go”*

Fred D. Willman of Jefferson Jr. High School, Naperville, IL – *“Regions of The World”*

Helen A. Finken of City High School, Iowa City, IA – *“Progress in Paradise?”*

Marcia Harris of Brookside Schools, Bloomfield Hills, MI

Virginia Walden of Brookside Schools, Bloomfield Hills, MI

**1991**

Janice J. Hamner of Upland Unified School, Claremont, CA – *“Experiencing Geography”*

Marianne Kenney Eagle of Crest School, Denver, CO – *“Harvest of Hope”*

Gary E. Miller of VA Beach City Schools, Virginia Beach, VA – *“Grocery Geography”*

Sherel C. Perry Auburn High School, Auburn, AL – *“Earth Shaking News”*

Elizabeth J. Raker of Summerfield Schools, Petersburg, MI – *“Banking Big Bucks/ Brazil”*

**1992**

Rebecca A. Augustin St. Stephen’s School, Wimberly, TX – *“Columbus Crosses the Curriculum”*

Ann E. Brown of Edgewood Jr. High School, Seven Mile, OH – *“TIME for Geography – Select Cities”*

Janet M. Taylor of Polton Elementary School, Littleton, CO – *“New Kids on The Block: The Immigration Experience”*

Jane C. Weber of Carterville Grade School, Carterville, IL – *“A Dream Fulfilled”*

Brent J. Weigner McCormick Jr. High School, Cheyenne, WY – *“Exploring Mystery Masks of West Africa”*

### **1993**

Richard P. Brouillard of Columbus High School, Waterloo, WI – *“Where Does All The Garbage Go?”*

John Crawford of Lake Shores School District, Dunkirk, NY – *“The Aral Sea”*

Stephen P. Merkell-Hess of Iowa City Schools District, Iowa City, IA – *“Tin Tin and the World: Using Comic Books to Teach Geography”*

Donald D. Peterson of Marshalltown High School, Marshalltown, IA – *“Five Themes of Geography in the News”*

Lou Taft of Towanda High School, Towanda, PA – *“Reflections of the Past: Using Architecture to Understand the Culture & Economic Development of a Small Town”*

### **1994**

Marilou Abramshe St. Joseph's School, Croton Falls, NY - *“Quilts and Patterns: An Introduction to Geography and Maps at the Kindergarten Level”*

Sam Brian of Bank Street School, New York, NY - *“Geography and Mapping from Terrain Models”*

Erin B. Fletcher of Tuscaloosa Middle School, Tuscaloosa, AL - *“The Commonwealth of Independent States Teaching About New World Order”*

Margaret O'Neal of Tuscaloosa City Schools, Tuscaloosa, AL - *“Black Blizzards and Red Snow: The Dust Bowl Experience”*

Maureen Whalen Spaight of E. R. Martin Jr. High School, East Providence, RI - *“Project W. A. T. E. R.”*

### **1995**

L. Jill Cook of Wabasha-Kellogg Elementary School, Wabasha, MN and & John L. Daly of Wayland Middle School, Wayland, MA - *“Russia: Ups & Downs - Peoples & Places”*

Kate Greer Fischer of DuPont Manual Magnet High School, Louisville, KY - *“The Development of the Texas Cattle Empire”*

Linda L. Hammon of Round Rock High School, Round Rock, Texas - *“Trash: It's in the Bag!”*

Lyn Malone of Barrington Middle School, Barrington, RI - *“Tracking the Grim Reaper: Medical Geography in the Classroom”*

Judy R. Morgan of Harrison Middle School, Pittsburgh, PA - *“Geography of Cemeteries”*

### **1996**

Elizabeth Crawford & Barb Turk of - *Look Out the Window: Introducing Geography through Children's Literature*

William E. Iveson of Hilton Central School District, Hilton, NY - *Welcome to the World of Shopping Centers*

Dany M. Ray of Washington Middle School, Cairo, GA - *From Buccaneer, To Baymen, The Belizians*

Geraldeen G. Rude & Bonny Jo Berryman-*Disease: The Deadly Diffusion*  
North Dakota Geographic Alliance & Erik Ramstead Junior High School, Minot, ND

Maureen Whalen Spaight of Martin Junior High School, East Providence, RI - *Faces of a Nation*

### **1997**

Linda L. Hammon of Canyon High School, New Braunfels, TX - *"Things Are Not Always What They Seem... Exploring Cultures Through Artifacts"*,

Helen B. Johnson of Rhode Island Geography Education Alliance – *“Over the River and Through the Wood...Mapping in Cyberspace and in Your Own Backyard”*

Patricia Robeson of Beltsville Academic Center, Prince Georges County Public, MD - *"Grandma Essie's Covered Wagon"*

Jody S. Marcello of Blatchley Middle School, Sitka, AK - *"Mapmaker, Mapmaker: Make Me A More Fair Map"*

Maureen Spaight of E.R. Martin Jr. H. S., East Providence, RI - *"Rivers, Roads, Routes and Resettlement: A Geographic Study of Cultural Diffusion and the Theme of Movement"*

### **1998**

Jerri Hollyfield of McElwain Magnet School, Birmingham, AL - *“I Spy”*

Donna Nesbitt of East Knox Elementary, Howard, OH – *“The Bullet Train and Beyond”*

Steven Pierce of Pleasant Gardens Elementary School, Marion, NC - *“A World At Work: The Labor Force in Today's World”*

Martha Sharma of National Cathedral School, Washington, DC - *“The Great Lakes: Vital Resource at Risk”*

Karen Stockton Wallace of Southeast Lauderdale Elementary School Meridian, MS - *“Multimedia Map Explorations”*

### **1999**

Jere Fitterman of Gregory Heights Middle School, Portland, OR – *“Yaks in My Yard”*

Jill A. Fortney of North Bennington Grade School, North Bennington, VT-  
*“Multiculturalism and the Learning Center: Spotlight on Japan”*

Connie Mark of Waiiau Elementary School, Oahu, HI and Bernice Kihara - Kipapa Elementary School, Oahu, HI and Mary Frances Higuchi - HI Geographic Alliance, Honolulu, HI - *“Be A Geo Detective”*

Charlie McRorie of Morristown-Hamblen High School West, Morristown, TN - *“The Nine-Day Extravaganza”*

Harris C. Payne of Omaha North High School, Omaha, NE – *“Chernobyl: A Geographic Window to the Ecological and Human Impact of the Accident”*

## 2000

Nancy J. Geldermann of Chicago Public Schools, Chicago, IL - *"Reefs at Risk"*, Hawthorne Scholastic Academy

Deborah Anderson of Geographic Educators of Nebraska - *"Flight of the Snowbirds"*,

Judy Kallal of Triumph High School and Wyoming Geographic Alliance - *"Geography & Service Learning & Standards = Student Success"*

Craig Hattam of Lincoln Middle School, Hibbing MN - *"Teaching Urban Geography in the Middle School Classroom"*

Karen Chatterton of Arizona Geographic Alliance - *"The Other Side of the Island"*

## 2001

William Amburn of Central Middle School, Bartlesville, Oklahoma - *"Solve Earth Shaking Dilemmas With Geographic Solutions"*

Karen Grimes Cooper of St. Andrew the Apostle School, Indianapolis, Indiana - *"A Time of Peace: Where Should the X-Men Live"*

Denise Frederick & Marcia McDevitt of Wickford Middle School, Narragansett, RI - *"Coming to America"*

Mimi Norton of Arizona Geographic Alliance - *"The Strange Disappearance of Wu Chang"*

Gloria Rainone of McGuire Elementary School, North Providence, RI - *"Long Ago...and Once Again"*

## 2002

Timothy McDonnell of Victor Junior High School, Victor, NY - *"Interdisciplinary Units on Regions of North America"*

Charlie McRorie of Morristown West High School, Morristown, TN - *"Kingdom of Id"*

Deborah Anderson and Kristi Desauniers of Geographic Educators of Nebraska and South Dakota Geography Alliance - *"Intertwined Journeys"*

Dennis Rees of Arizona Geographic Alliance - *"La Frontera: Barrier or Gateway"*

Randy Wilkie of Ontario Association for Geographic and Environmental Education, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada - *"The Great Railway Race: A Teaching Approach to the Geography of Russia"*

## 2003

Linda J. Weatherwax of Illinois Geographic Alliance - *"Caves - Magical Underworld Worlds"*

Steven C. Pierce of North Carolina Geographic Alliance - *"World Heritage Sites: Preserving World Legacies"*

Rosaline G. Jordan of South Carolina Geographic Alliance - *"Virtual Vacation: Research, Travel and Adventure"*

## 2004

Brenda Lee Whitsell of Sumner Academy, Gallatin, TN - *“Country in a Bag: A Southeast Asia Application”*

Diane Godfrey of Arizona Geographic Alliance and Pueblo Middle School, Tempe, AZ - *“Solving the Puzzle: Teaching Historical Maps”*

Fred H. Walk, Washington, D.C. of Normal Community High School and Illinois Geographic Alliance, Towanda, IL - *“What a Location! Why Not Kansas City?”*

Carol Carney Warren of Arizona Geographic Alliance, Mesa, AZ - *“Voices from the Desert: Using Primary Sources to Teach Geography”*

Maureen Whalen Spaight of Rhode Island Geography Education Alliance, Rumford, RI - *“Land Reform in South Africa: Triumphs and Tragedies”*

### **2005**

Dennis Neel Durbin of Dyersburg High School, Newbern, TN – *“Music in the Classroom: Geography from a Different Perspective”*

Douglas Andersen of Oak Canyon Junior High School, Pleasant Grove, UT - *“Incorporating Cultural Landscape in the Secondary School Geography Curriculum Utilizing Resources from India and Nepal”*

Janet Davis of Lewisville ISD, Lewisville, TX – *“American Symbols, Landmarks, and Monuments”*

Sheila Nice of Arizona Geographic Alliance, Phoenix, AZ – *“Get on the Track – Migration”*

Gail Vander Heide of Oregon Geographic Alliance, Corvallis, OR – *“Roosters and River Dragons and Their Neighbors: Introducing the Geography of China”*

### **2006**

Sara E. Damon of Stillwater Area High School, Stillwater, OK - *“Firewise Communities: Students Help Reduce Wildfire Risk with GIS and GPS”*

Jeannine Kuropatkin, Arizona Geographic Alliance, Mesa, AZ - *“Smaller, Happier, Harmonious Families” - China's One Child Policy*

Julie Mitchell of Lake Forest Middle School, Cleveland, TN - *“Mountains, Mussels, and Moonpies”*

Brenda L. Whitsell of Sumner Academy, Gallatin, TN - *“Convergence with The Cay”*

### **2007**

Jeannine Kuropatkin of Rhodes Junior High School, Mesa, AZ and Cheryl Wiens of Arizona Geographic Alliance, Scottsdale, AZ – *“A Moroccan Speciality: Pigeon Pie, eel Rides, and Mosques”*

### **2008**

Lauren Mittermann of the Wisconsin Geographic Alliance, *“Mapping Primary Sources.”*

### **2009**

Michael Robinson, for *“Starbucks Geography,”* Houston High School

**2010**

Kent W. Day, Beveridge Magent Middle School for International Studies, NE, for "*Human Geography and Forced Migration: Geography, Numeracy, and Literacy in the Study of Refugee Populations.*"

**2011**

Teresa Potter, Fisher Elementary School, Oklahoma City, OK for *Read, Write, Create, Debate!*