

# *Call for 2009 PGS Awards*

The Pennsylvania Geographical Society Awards Committee is soliciting *nominations* and *self-nominations* for the following 2009 awards:

**Teacher Recognition Award.** Given to K-12 teachers who are effective at teaching Geography, Earth Science, Environmental Science or other courses such as Social Studies where a significant geographic component is present. More than one award is given each year, and recipients need **not** be members of PGS.

**Distinguished Teacher Award.** Given at both the K-12 and college/university levels. The recipient must have documented evidence of excellence in teaching as well as innovative and effective classroom methods in Geography, Earth Science, Environmental Science or any other course (s) with a consistent and substantive geographic base. There may be more than one recipient each year. Recipients **must** be members of PGS, but an exception may be made in the case of highly qualified K-12 teachers.

**Distinguished Scholar Award.** Given to an individual with substantive research, publications and professional development in Geography. There is usually only one award per year, and the nominee **must** be a member of PGS. This award may not be bestowed each year, but is dependent on the quality of the nominees or self-nominees.

**Distinguished Service Award.** Given to any individual who has given substantive and long-term service to both the discipline of Geography and to the PGS. There is usually only one award per year. The recipient **must** be a member of PGS. This award may not be awarded each year, but is dependent on the quality of the nominees and self-nominees.

**Ruby S. and E. Willard Miller Lifetime Achievement Award.** This award is given occasionally to an individual of exemplary, long-term dedication to the discipline of Geography and to the PGS. The award may be given posthumously. The recipient **must** have been a member of the PGS (or its predecessor, the PCGS).

Nominations or self-nominations should be sent to: Mary J. Sacavage, 2650 Woodglen Road, Pottsville, PA 17901. Phone: (570) 628-4011; e-mail: [mary.sacavage@alvernia.edu](mailto:mary.sacavage@alvernia.edu). **All nominations must be accompanied by a letter stating why the nominee is qualified for a given award. Please include the nominee's full name, address, phone number, and e-mail address. The deadline for 2009 nominations is March 30, 2009.**