

## AAG REMOTE SENSING SPECIALTY GROUP

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### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At the April 1980 AAG meeting the Remote Sensing Specialty Group (RSSG) elected five directors without specifying their positions. The group of newly elected directors were asked to sort out the various job functions amongst themselves. This has been done and the new Board is listed below:

Chairperson, Robert K. Holz, The University of Texas at Austin

Vice Chairperson, John R. Jensen, University of Georgia

Director/Secretary-Treasurer, J. Ronald Eyton, University of South Carolina

Director, Donald C. Rundquist, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Director, Ronald A. Weinkauff, University of Wisconsin at La Crosse

A working copy of the by-laws for the RSSG has been included with the Newsletter; adoption of the by-laws or an amended set of the by-laws will be placed on the agenda of the RSSG business meeting at the April 1981 AAG convention. An additional item to be discussed at the RSSG business meeting will be the assessment of dues for membership in the RSSG. It is impossible to send out more than one or two mailings of the Newsletter with the rebate obtained from the AAG. The RSSG Board of Directors feel that dues of \$2.00 would yield an acceptable operating budget for the Group.

### REMOTE SENSING AT THE 1981 MEETINGS

#### Remote Sensing Workshop

A Remote Sensing Workshop under the direction of Ronald Weinkauff will be held Saturday April 18, 1981 3:30 AM - 4:30 PM through Sunday April 19, 1981 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM. Tentative speakers and their presentations are listed below:

John Jensen, University of Georgia - Fundamentals of Electromagnetic Radiation  
Robert Holz, The University of Texas at Austin - Reflected Infrared Remote Sensing  
John Estes, University of California, Santa Barbara - Thermal Infrared Remote Sensing  
Ronald Weinkauff, University of Wisconsin at La Crosse - Landsat  
Roger McCoy, University of Utah - Radar Remote Sensing  
Gary Johnson, EROS Data Center - Availability of Remote Sensor Data  
Richard Ellefsen, San Jose State University - Digital Image Processing

A fee of \$50.00 is being charged for the workshop; participants should sign up for the workshop when they receive their AAG convention registration materials. A set of workshop notes and an extensive image packet will be distributed to all participants. The image packet will include scenes from the Landsat Multispectral Scanner and Return Beam Videcon, the Heat Capacity Mapping Mission, the Seasat Synthetic Aperture Radar and the Nimbus 7 Coastal Zone Color Scanner.

Further information on the workshop can be obtained from:

Ronald A. Weinkauff  
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#### Business Meeting of the RSSG

A business meeting for the RSSG has been scheduled for a two hour period at the April 1981 AAG meetings. The date and time will appear in the AAG Program and

In a future issue of the RSSG Newsletter. The first hour will be a special display and poster session with a theme of "Remote Sensing on a Shoe-String". This period has been set aside for exhibits involving unique but inexpensive methods used in remote sensing instruction and research. Individuals who would like to contribute to this presentation should contact:

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### Special Papers Session

A special remote sensing paper session has been arranged for the 1981 AAG meetings. Details of the session including the scheduled time will appear in a future issue of RSSG Newsletter as well as the AAG Program. The session will be chaired by Donald C. Rundquist, University of Nebraska at Omaha.

### PECORA VII

Pecora VII, under the sponsorship of the Association of American Geographers, the National Council for Geographic Education, the American Society of Photogrammetry and the United States Geological Survey has been scheduled for October 18-21, 1981, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Like the previous six Pecora Symposia, the objective is to foster the exchange of scientific and resource management findings resulting from the use of remote sensor data. The theme of the symposium will center around national and international resource inventories utilizing remote sensing technology. The program is in the early stages of planning but is expected to include an introductory workshop on applied remote sensing, plenary and general sessions, local area field trips, and tours of the EROS Data Center facility.

Members of the Program Committee are listed below:

Ben Richason, Jr. (Chairman) - Carroll College  
Jim Anderson - USGS  
John Jensen - University of Georgia  
Gary Johnson - EROS Data Center  
Stan Morrain - TAC  
Bob Rudd - University of Denver  
Roy Welch - University of Georgia

Inquiries concerning papers, poster sessions and other types of participation should be sent to the chairman of the Program Committee, Ben Richason, Jr., at the Geography Department, Carroll College, Waukesha, Wisconsin 53186 (Tel. 414/547-1211, Ext. 144).

### COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS AND NOTICES

Individuals who have comments and suggestions for the RSSG should contact:

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