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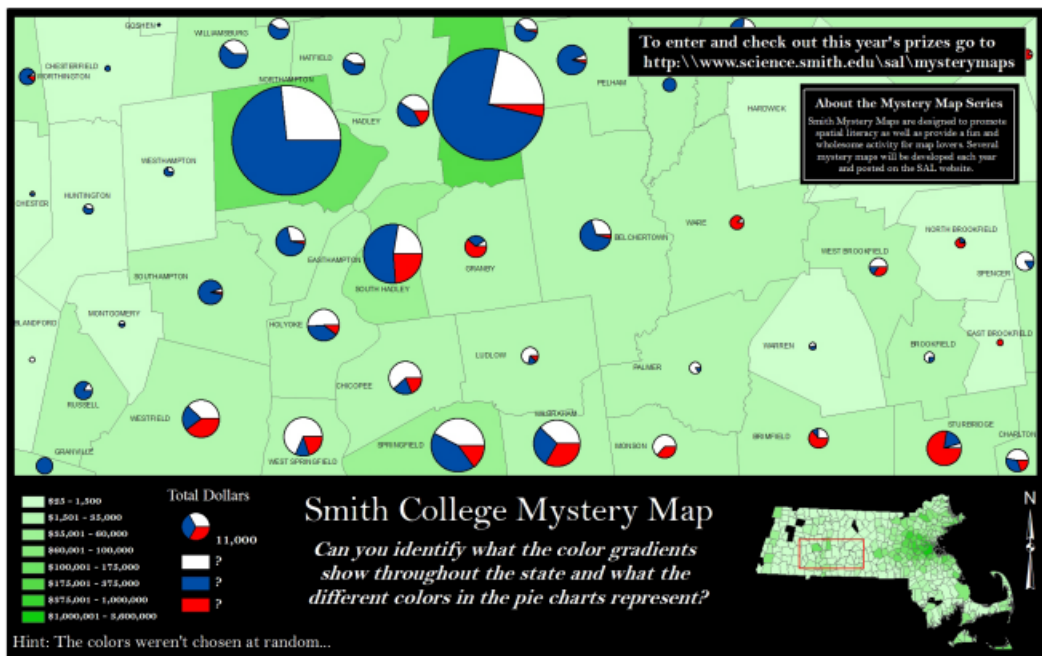
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## Initiatives

- Finalize effort with Amherst, Vassar, Williams, Skidmore, Wheaton, and Trinity College to develop a NITLE sponsored conference titled “Geospatial Technologies in the Liberal Arts”
- Finalized work on NITLE Technology Fellowship to develop a workshop titled “[Google Earth for the New Geographer](#)”
- Planning Committee for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual spring NEARC conference at Smith
- Assist in planning the 5 College GIS Day scheduled for **November 18<sup>th</sup>** at MHC
- Developed a series of GPS and GIS workshops for faculty, staff, and students to learn informally with plenty of “hands on experience”
- Consult with Hampshire Regional High School to develop a grant to Mass DOE for an after school GIS program.
- Talk titled “Open Source Web Mapping Tools, Neogeography, and Other Explorations” to the New England The Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (07/14/08)

## News of Interest

- Issued 42 ESRI Virtual Campus Course codes to students and faculty since January 2008
- October 2008 Mystery Map answered correctly in record time by 2 time winner
- Mollie Gabriel becomes First Smith student to attend and present a poster at the fall NEARC conference in Hyannis, MA

## Usage / Classes fall 2008

Class Name	Course Code	Students
Natural Disasters: Confronting and Coping	GEO105	~ 40
Archaeology	ARC211	~ 30
<a href="#">Practicum in Community Based Research</a>	SOC308	11
Studio: Landscape and Narrative*	LSS210	
Plant Ecology Laboratory	BIO365	11

## Support

- Megan O'Connor (GIS analysis in support of her doctoral studies at Umass)

## Faculty / Staff Support

- Bob Burger
- Jamie Hubbard
- Elaine Chittenden
- Reid Bertone-Johnson
- Denise McKay
- Amy Rhodes
- Denise Lello

## General Support

- Poster printing
- System Administration
- Programming / Scripts
- Mapping/Cartography Projects

## Ongoing Program Support and Development

- Continued support for Botanic Garden tree and plant mapping
- Continues support for mapping Buddhism in the Pioneer Valley

## Programmatic

- Web Page Update and Maintenance
- System Administration
- Valley GIS Meetings
- Five College GIS Meetings
- SAL Blog; Screencasts; podcasts

## **Student Assistants**

- Ellie Glasser '10
- Sarah Mottie '10
- Mollie Gabriel '09
- Junzho Guo '12

## **Software & Data**

- No new significant acquisitions