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*(Tuesday Evening, continued)*

5:00 - 5:30 — **Roundtable session and Open Mike**

With Your Host, MIKE CURTIS.

5:30-7:00 — Dinner on your Own

7:00 - 8:00 — **Toastmaster-style Speeches.**

Moderated by DAN SULLIVAN

8:15 - 9:15 — **Film & Presentation on the Erie Canal**

with Your Host, BILL BATT

9:30 — Informal gathering in the Hospitality Suite — and folk songs by Toby Lenihan!

**Wednesday, July 14th**

8-8:20 am — **Open Mike** with Your Host, NICHOLAS ROSEN

8:30 - 9:45 — **CGO Business Meeting**

8:30 - 9:45 — During the Meeting: Breakout sessions for other attendees

● Making Our Case with GIS Mapping — Bill Batt, Bob Breglio

● Geogist Internet Resources — Wyn Achenbaum

10:00 — **Old Erie Canal Excursion**

We'll choose a box lunch from the hotel's menu, and then board our trusty carriage and head to the Watervliet Army Arsenal Museum. The Arsenal was built here to take advantage of the Erie Canal's transportation and water power. Near Lock #2 we'll stop and watch the boats go through as we dine. Then we will go through the Waterford Historical Canal Museum and tour the city of Cohoes with its canal-powered textile mills before heading back to our hotel.

5:30 - 7:00 — **Dinner at the hotel**

● Sprawl Development in World Cities — Ray Bromley, Vice Provost of International Education, SUNY-Albany. Introduced by Bill Batt.

7:15 - 7:45 — Toastmaster-style Speeches — Moderator: DAN SULLIVAN

8:00 - 9:30 — **Geogist**

With Your Host, ED DODSON!

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8:30-10:30 — **Making Our Case in the 21st Century**

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● Seeking Clarity on Economic Terms — Kris Feder, Cay Hehner, Lindy Davies

● The Geogist Theory of (Zero) Interest — Dan Sullivan

● Compelling Presentation of Data — Josh Vincent

● Point/Counterpoint: Was Henry George Old-School or New-Age? — Cay Hehner & Lindy Davies (alternate session)

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1:30 - 3:00 — **Roundtable on Movement-Building**

Moderated by Ed Dodson

3:30 - 5:00 — **Reaching Academia**

● A brainstorming session with Nic Tideman, Polly Cleveland & Kris Feder, and. Moderated by Lindy Davies.

6:30 - 7:00 — Reception; cash bar

7:00 - 9:30 — **Gala Banquet**

● Lindy Davies: "Thirteen Ways of Seeing the Cat"

● Economic Justice Award

**Friday, July 16th**

8-8:20 am — **Open Mike** with Your Host, NICHOLAS ROSEN

8:30 - 10:00 — **Networking with Diverse Groups**

Plenary session moderated by Dan Sullivan, followed by roundtable sessions on working with: ● Progressives and Liberals ● Conservatives and Libertarians ● Religious groups

10:30 - 11:00 — **Farewell Brunch** — Toasts & Conviviality

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