

President Reagan chose to designate this week as national Geography Awareness Week

You have been driving down an abandoned road in the middle of nowhere for hours when you realize it's time to stop and figure out just where you are. You haven't seen a town for miles, except that little bump in the road you passed in a blink, so asking someone nearby just might be more far-fetched

"Many people still think that geography is mainly learning the names of places like state capitals," he said. "Modern geography is the dynamic study of the Earth and all of its systems: physical, human, economic and their interrelation-

"Indeed, geographers travel to see the world, and many explorers have been geographers," Loy said. "Geographers have a great curiosi-

The observance of Geography Awareness Week shows that geography is coming back into the eyes of society, he said.

Anyone who's been lost and has had to use a crinkled map to find themselves, or those who are just interested in geography, are welcome.

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