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Michele Westmorland, Karen Huntt, and Wings Trust present:

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Charting Cultural Change in Melanesia

An expedition to the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea, May and June 2005

Team Awarded Scott Pearlman Grants, Invited to Speak at 8th World Wilderness Congress

SEATTLE, Wash. – Mytinger Project, LLC is proud to announce that Michele Westmorland and Karen Huntt have each received a Scott Pearlman Field Award for Science and Exploration from The Explorers Club. The Pearlman Grant is given to professionals in media and the arts to support professional documentation of exploration and field research. Grants are made to artists, writers, filmmakers, photographers, and journalists, and are awarded only for those projects with scientific purposes in accordance with the Club's stated objectives, "to broaden our knowledge of the universe." The Scott Pearlman Field Awards are meant to provide scientific expeditions with professional, reproduction-quality materials for the publication and dissemination of their work through print and electronic media. Scott Pearlman was a photographer and a member of three flag expeditions. One of the youngest members of The Explorers Club at the age of 22, he backpacked with his camera across Australia, Africa, South America, and Europe until contracting Hepatitis C. He died of liver failure at the age of 38, still looking for the perfect picture.

In other news, Michele and Karen have been invited to speak at the 8th World Wilderness Congress next October in Anchorage, Alaska. Initiated by The WILD Foundation in 1977, the World Wilderness Congress (WWC) is now the longest-running, public, international environmental forum. Their presentation, "On the Trail of Headhunters," will be presented during the Conservation Photography forum, "Images with Passion and Purpose." The forum will be an integral part of the 8th WWC's focus on "Art and Advocacy," highlighting all forms of visual and written conservation communications. With over 25 years of conservation achievement, the WWC has become a high-profile platform for debating and acting on complex wilderness and wildlands issues. The theme of the 8th WWC is Wilderness, Wildlands and People – A Partnership for the Planet. This Congress will generate the most up-to-date and accurate information on the benefits of wilderness and wildlands to contemporary and traditional societies, and will review the best models for balancing wilderness and wildlands conservation with human needs. Visit the website at: www.8wwc.org.

