



# ISU Newsletter



## Weekly Announcements for December 10-16, 2006

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### Faculty/Staff/Other Meetings

There will **NOT** be a Biological Sciences Faculty meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2006

### Seminars

**Sonja Nehr-Kanet**, CLS, will present her promotion seminar, "Clinical Lab Research - Historic, Current and Future Perspectives," on **Tuesday, December 12, 2006 at noon** in **VA 117**, (it is the building on the corner of MLK and Memorial Drive, the old hangar.) It will be televised from Boise.

**Susan Galindo**, CLS, will present her promotion seminar on **Thursday, December 14, 2006 at noon** in **Plant Sciences Lecture Hall 114**.

### Publications

Farmer, C.F., D.K. Person, and **R.T. Bowyer**. 2006. Risk factors and survivorship of black-tailed deer in a managed forest landscape. *The Journal of Wildlife Management* 70:1403-1415.

### Awards

L. Liang, J. Ankner, B. Gu, D. Myles, W. Hamilton (Oak Ridge National Laboratory), and **T.S. Magnuson**. 2006. Probing molecular interaction between microbial-cell protein and mineral surfaces with neutrons. Subcontract to ISU from Oak Ridge National LDRD Fund. \$25,000.

**Jeff Augney**, undergraduate Biology major, has received a \$1000.00 Allied Health Student Scholarship from Benjamin Cummings. He was one of five winners of the contest which asked students to submit a photo that illustrated a concept he learned in Anatomy and Physiology or Microbiology. Jeff's winning photograph shows how antibodies interact with antigens. You can view this photo on the Benjamin Cummings' scholarship website.

### Proposals

**Dr. Matt Germino** requested \$335,000 from the DOE National Center for Climate Research for his project entitled: "Climatic and biotic co-limitation of conifer establishment at treelines: addressing uncertainty in bio-climatic model forecasts of forest change."

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## Events

**The Idaho Chapter of the Wildlife Society announces the call for abstracts.** The meeting will be held **March 5 – 7, 2007** at the Holiday Inn in Pocatello. For students that wish to attend, there is an opportunity to defray your registration costs. If interested, please contact Katie Miller at [millkati@isu.edu](mailto:millkati@isu.edu) or call at 282-5766 or 282-5715. Please visit [www.ictws.org](http://www.ictws.org) for more information about this meeting.

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## Employment Opportunities

### **Birders Wanted!**

#### **Biological Technician Positions (12) GS-0404-5**

#### **Temporary Employment Spring 2007**

The Carlsbad Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is recruiting biologists to conduct California gnatcatcher (CAGN) surveys throughout San Diego County, located in southern California. Surveys are planned for spring 2007. Employment will last 14 weeks beginning March 5, 2007. This may be adjusted one or two weeks forward depending on winter rains. If interested, contact Clark Winchell, Principal Investigator for the project, no later than **January 19, 2007**. Contact information is as follows: email [clark\\_winchell@fws.gov](mailto:clark_winchell@fws.gov), phone (760) 431-9400 ext 275, cell (760) 271-6839.

**The USDA Forest Service**, Rocky Mountain Research Station, Boise Aquatic Sciences Laboratory located in Boise, Idaho (<http://www.fs.fed.us/rm/boise>) anticipates filling a permanent full-time applied Research Scientist position(s) for either a fisheries biologist or aquatic ecologist at the GS-12 to GS-14 grade level. The grade level will depend on qualifications of the scientist hired. The position may be opened as early as January 2007. Response to this outreach will determine the area of consideration and recruitment method. To express your interest in the position or if you would like additional information, please contact Kerry Overton [(208) 373-4357; [koverton@fs.fed.us](mailto:koverton@fs.fed.us)] or Bruce Rieman [(208) 373-4386; [brieman@fs.fed.us](mailto:brieman@fs.fed.us)] by December 15, 2006. Interested candidates will be notified when the position is formally opened for application.

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## Notices

The Future Healthcare Practitioners of America club on the Idaho Falls campus raised over \$2500.00 for the Salvation Army. Club members are all undergraduate students majoring in the Biological Sciences and include Marie Rowe, Matt Adams, Kirk Nuttall, Cory Coronado, Jacob Cooley, Jim Picanco, and Daria Gibbons. The club advisor is **Dr. Barbara Frank**.

### **Call For Papers:**

Idaho Academy of Sciences Annual Meeting and Symposium

**April 19-21, 2007** at the Idaho National Laboratory/University Place in Idaho Falls, Idaho.  
Symposium Theme: Energy for the Future – Human & Ecological Considerations.

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## Department News

**Dr. Ken Rodnick** and his wife Cheryl's dog 'Dexter' took top honors as the number one Irish Terrier in the country at the AKC National Agility Trials held last week in California. All the dogs in the Biology department are proud of the little guy.