



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 6, 2009

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FACULTY/STAFF/OTHER MEETINGS

Biological Sciences Faculty Meeting will be held **Tuesday, December 8, 2009**, in the **Speech Pathology Building #68 in room SPA 315 at noon**. We will be discussing T & P, teaching load, and AS degree in Biology.

SEMINARS

Carrie L Hall, DA graduate student with **Dr. Rosemary Smith**, will present her Proposal Seminar, "Burying Beetle Bioacoustics: The Role of Sound in Intra- and Interspecific Communication," **Thursday, December 10, 2009**, at **12:00 noon** in the **Lecture Center 10**.

Dr. Larry Duffy, Dean Graduate School, University of Alaska Fairbanks, will present his seminar **Thursday, December 10, 2009**, at **4:00 PM** in the **Lecture Center 10**.

Dr. Tom Schwan, NIH's Rocky Mountain Laboratories, Hamilton, Montana, will be presenting a seminar, "The Ecology and Epidemiology of Tick-borne Relapsing Fever," **Friday, December 11, 2009**, at **12 noon** in **Lecture Center 10**.

PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Matt Germino will be at the **Centro de Investigacion en Ecosistemas de la Patagonia, in Coyhaique, Chile**, from **December 3-13, 2009**, where he will collaborate and give an invited presentation, "Physiological Limitation and Treeline Ecology: Insights From Tree Seedlings in the Rocky Mountains, USA," as part of a symposium on Global Change in Harsh Environments.

PUBLICATIONS

Irene Gregory-Eaves, Daniel T. Selbie¹, Jon N. Sweetman, **Bruce P. Finney**, and John P. Smol. 2009. Tracking Sockeye Salmon Population Dynamics from Lake Sediment Cores: A Review and Synthesis. *American Fisheries Society Symposium* 69:379–393.

Danielle P. Pite¹, Kelly A. Lane, Anna K. Hermann, Sarah A. Spaulding, **Bruce P. Finney**. 2009. Historical Abundance and Morphology of *Didymosphenia* Species in Naknek Lake, Alaska. *Acta botanica Croatica* 68 (2), 183–197.

GRANTS/FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED

Dr. Matt Germino, J. Chambers, and C. Brown were awarded \$200,000/4 years from the USDA AFRI for their project titled, "Bromus REenet: Synthesis of Bromus Grasses in Current and Future Scenarios in the Western U. S."

Dr. Matt Germino was awarded \$25,000/2 years from the USDA Forest Service for his project titled, "Analyses of Restoration of Tall Forbs in Tarweed-infested Montane Meadows."

Dr. Matt Germino was awarded \$7,500/1 year from the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service for his project titled, "Range Analysis for Camas NWR."

Dr. Tim Magnuson was awarded \$27,000 from the Center for Advanced Energy Studies for a project titled, "Development of Lignocellulosic Ethanol Potential in Idaho."

Michael Swenson and **Julienne Pharis**, graduate students with **Dr. Tim Magnuson**, were awarded Graduate Fellowships from the NASA-Idaho Space Grant Consortium. Mike's project will focus on electron transport in iron-respiring bacteria and Julienne will research microbial selenium transformation.

Congratulations to **Pete Hallock** (PhD with **Dr. Mike Thomas**), **Mary Gessel** (PhD with **Dr. Trent Stephens** and **Dr. Chris Cretekos**), and **Devon Rasmussen** (MS with **Dr. Jean Pfau**)! These Biology graduate students have been awarded grant funding for their Graduate Student Research and Scholarship (GSRSC) research proposals. Biology claimed three of the seven awards this semester, and was well represented. Please congratulate these individuals the next time you see them!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society announces the 2010 Annual Meeting, Idaho's Native Fishes: Understanding Their Distribution and Abundance, March 3-5, 2010, at the Red Lion Hotel, Pocatello, Idaho. Hosted in part by the Portneuf Student subunit at Idaho State University. For more information about this event go to: <http://www.idahoafs.org/meeting.php>.

OPPORTUNITIES

National Institute of Genetics (NIG) (Department of Genetics, SOKENDAI) offers a 10 week research internship program for undergraduate students who wish to gain experience in scientific lab work. **NIG has 36 labs**, studying a variety of topics in life sciences, including molecular and cell biology, developmental biology, plant biology, neurobiology, population biology and evolution, structural biology, genome biology and bioinformatics. Each intern will join ongoing research projects in a world- class research group. Interns can also participate in various Departmental activities, such as lectures for our graduate students, journal clubs, and seminars by outstanding researchers in and out of NIG. Japanese lessons are also available. Stipend will be provided to cover traveling and living expenses, lodging in the institute's guesthouse and overseas travel accident and sickness insurance. **Students interested in applying** should prepare the following material: 1) A letter of motivation or self-advertisement of about 500 words. 2) Curriculum vitae including school record. 3) Two letters of recommendation from your teachers. (To be sent directly to info-soken@lab.nig.ac.jp by the recommenders) **Specify fields of interest** (molecular biology/cell biology, developmental biology, neurobiology, evolution, etc.) or indicate **host laboratories** of your choice. **Submit application** documents by e-mail to info-soken@lab.nig.ac.jp. The subject of your e-mail should be "NIGINTERN2010." **Application deadline: January 15, 2010.** Notices of selection results: February 26, 2010. Intern period: May to July, 2010. **For inquiries** please send e-mail to info-soken@lab.nig.ac.jp.

CDC/ATSDR's National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (NCEH/ATSDR) is offering a 10-week summer internship program for students in Environmental Studies, Ecology, Biology, Chemistry, Engineering, and other related majors to take place **June 9-August 13, 2010**. Students are introduced to environmental health at the federal level through project collaboration, experiential learning opportunities, individual environmental health presentations, journal clubs, field trips, brown bag lunches, and through shadowing and mentoring relationships at CDC/ATSDR. Interns will be based at CDC/ATSDR's Atlanta-Chamblee Campus where NCEH/ATSDR is housed. Students are paid

\$500 a week during the course of the program. Please go to website www.cdc.gov/nceh/cleh for more information and application instructions. **Applications are due February 16, 2010.**

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Idaho BioScience, a division of Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc., has a number of scientific positions available at its new **Sun Valley, Idaho**, facility. This new division will focus on the development of monoclonal antibodies. Positions available for recent graduates with a bachelor's degree in a relevant science include: *Hybridoma Development and Cell Culture*; *Antibody Characterization*; and *Laboratory Assistant*. For inquiries regarding Idaho BioScience or available positions, please visit <http://www.scbt.com> or call **1-800-457-3801** and ask for Jennifer Zimmerman. To apply, please submit a cover letter explaining why you want to work at Idaho BioScience and/or why you want to live in Sun Valley, Idaho, and a resume, via e-mail, to hr@scbt.com.

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission is seeking a Conservation Geneticist - Pedigree Specialist. Position is part of CRITFC's Fishery Science Department, but will be based at Hagerman Fish Culture Experiment Station, Hagerman, Idaho. Starting salary \$45,000-\$52,000 depending on qualifications and experience. **Application deadline is December 31, 2009.** For more information call 503-238-0667.

PAYROLL INFORMATION

Our pay period ends Saturday, December 12. Please be sure to **submit your time by Monday, December 14, at 12 NOON.** This gives **your approver time to approve your time card and fix any problems by Tuesday, December 15,** when time cards are due to Payroll. If you have employees working for you, you need to make sure they are submitting their hours and that you are approving their time cards on time. Time cards need to be submitted and approved on time for everyone to get their pay checks when they expect them.

