



ISU Newsletter

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS MAY 15–21, 2011

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FACULTY/STAFF/OTHER MEETINGS

There will **NOT** be a **Biological Sciences Faculty Meeting** until **Fall 2011** semester.

PUBLICATIONS

Chandler, R. M. and W. A. Akersten. 2010. (Actually distributed in March, 2011). Preliminary identification of birds from Indianhead Canyon local fauna (Late Pleistocene), eastern Idaho. *Current Research in the Pleistocene* 27:166-167.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Congratulations to **Amanda Searle**, MS student with **Dr. Gene Scalarone**, who was chosen as the Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant for 2011; to **Kevin Monteith**, PhD student with **Dr. Terry Bowyer**, who was chosen as the Outstanding Graduate Researcher for 2011; and to **Andrew Carroll**, undergraduate student working with **Dr. Curt Anderson**, who was chosen as the Outstanding Graduating Senior for 2011.

OPPORTUNITIES

The Department of Energy's (DOE) and the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) are accepting applications for two new research fellowships. **Research Areas:** Energy Efficiency: Buildings - Industry - Vehicles and Renewable Energy: Biomass - Hydrogen & Fuel Cells - Geothermal - Solar - Water - Wind. Yearly Stipend - Research Allowance - Health Insurance - Relocation Travel - Two Years of Support. **Postdoctoral Fellowships:** Research opportunities for recent Ph.D. graduates... The EERE Postdoctoral Fellowships support its mission in energy efficiency and renewable energy by offering recent Ph.D. recipients the opportunity to conduct applied research at universities, national laboratories, and other research facilities. **Application deadline is June 30, 2011.** More information and application materials can be found at http://www1.eere.energy.gov/education/postdoctoral_fellowships/. **Science and Technology Policy Fellowships:** Policy-related projects for Ph.D. scientists and engineers... The EERE Science and Technology Policy (STP) Fellowships will serve as the next step in the educational and professional development of scientists and engineers interested in energy efficiency and renewable energy policy. Selected applicants will be assigned to participate in policy-related projects at DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in Washington, D.C. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. For more information and application materials, visit: http://www1.eere.energy.gov/education/stp_fellowships.html. Applicants selected as Fellows may have the additional distinction of guiding the implementation of the new solar SunShot Initiative in the DOE Solar Energy Technologies Program. The SunShot Fellows will have a key leadership role in beginning new research and development programs to achieve the goal of \$1/W installed photovoltaics by 2020.

The National Research Council of the National Academies sponsors a number of awards for graduate, postdoctoral and senior researchers at federal laboratories and affiliated institutions. These awards include generous stipends ranging from \$42,000 - \$75,000 per year for recent Ph.D. recipients, and higher for

additional experience and graduate entry level stipends beginning at \$30,000 and higher for additional experience. The awards provide the opportunity for recipients to do independent research in some of the best-equipped and staffed laboratories in the U.S. Research opportunities are open to U.S. citizens, permanent residents, and for some of the laboratories, foreign nationals. Detailed program information, including instructions on how to apply online and a list of participating laboratories, is available on the NRC Research Associateship Programs Web site at: www.nationalacademies.org/rap. Questions should be directed to the NRC at 202-334-2760 (phone) or rap@nas.edu. There are four review cycles annually. **Upcoming deadlines are: August 1, 2011, November 1 2011, and February 1, 2012.** Applicants should contact prospective Adviser(s) at the lab(s) prior to the application deadline to discuss their research interests and funding opportunities.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Miller Coors has a job opening. This role will involve working on an ongoing experiment involving barley breeding. The successful candidate will need a BS in biology, horticulture, botany, or related field. This is an entry-level position located in Burley, Idaho, paying \$14.50 per hour. Nice starting point for someone looking to gain experience towards further botany work. For more information contact Alex Dooley, Recruiter, On Assignment, Inc. Email at milwaukee@labsupport.com.

The Rocky Mountain Research Station (RMRS), Human Dimensions Program, is preparing to advertise a permanent full-time Supervisory Biologist/Social Scientist/Economist Position (Aldo Leopold Wilderness Research Institute (Leopold Institute) Director) GS-401/101/110-14/15. The Leopold Institute is a premier interagency institute for wilderness stewardship research. As such, it is the focal point for scientists and managers from different disciplines and backgrounds who seek to conduct, communicate, and learn science that addresses the challenges of wilderness stewardship, including the sustainability of wild ecosystems and relationships between people and wild lands. **DUTY STATION:** This position is located in Forest Service facilities on the campus of the University of Montana in Missoula. Interested candidates can visit the RMRS website at: <http://fsweb.missoula.rmrs.fs.fed.us/>

FISHERIES BIOLOGIST - Kootenai Tribe of Idaho. Responsibilities: Assist Director and Hatchery Manager with planning, development, and implementation of long-term mitigation strategies for fish and habitat losses associated with the operation of Libby Dam. Knowledge and understanding of aquatic ecology, native fish biology (including sturgeon and burbot), aquaculture, and habitat restoration is required. Excellent skills in communication (both oral and written), proposal and report writing, data analysis and interpretation are required. The applicant must demonstrate supervisory skills and the ability to work collaboratively with Kootenai fish and wildlife staff, Tribal project teams, and other agency personnel to coordinate interagency research, communication, and other activities for habitat and native fish restoration. Additionally, an understanding and knowledge of Kootenai Tribal history is a desired attribute.

Qualifications: Requires B.S. degree in fisheries management (or closely related field) and 6 years of related professional experience OR M.S. degree in fisheries management (or closely related field) and 4 years of related professional experience OR PhD in fisheries management (or closely related field) and 2 years of related professional experience. **Salary:** Commensurate with Experience. **Closing Date:** May 31, 2011. **To apply:** Please send cover letter, resume, three references, and college transcripts to: Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, Fish and Wildlife Department, P.O. Box 1269, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805, Attention: Sue Ireland. **Telephone:** 208 267-3620. **Email:** ireland@kootenai.org. Native American Preference Will Be Exercised

The Twin Falls County Pest Abatement District is looking to hire summer help. Please go to this website and choose the job link for additional information: <http://www.tfcpad.org/>.

Seasonal Biological/Restoration Specialist. Job Description: Responsible for collecting and analyzing data for restoration projects associated with drilling activities of the oil & gas industry. Position requires

extensive travel with roughly 90% of the time based in field. **Position Experience & Educational Requirements:** Junior or senior-level student majoring in botany, ecology or related field, Strong verbal and written communication skills, Familiarity with Microsoft Word, Excel and Access, Familiarity with the Great Basin flora of western North America, Ability and willingness to work independently, Ability to perform tasks requiring physical exertion, outdoors, in all weather conditions, and on difficult terrain, Ability to work safely and follow all safety protocols, and Must have valid driver's license and able to travel in four-state region (Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado) using 4x4 pick-up truck. **Application procedure:** Send resume with cover letter to Shelly Kleinkopf, Human Resources Manager, Conservation Seeding & Restoration, Inc., 506 Center St. West, Kimberly, ID 83341. Electronic submissions to hr@csr-inc.com are preferred. No phone calls please. Position remains open until filled.

The U.S. Forest Service will be 3 hiring temporary biological technicians for the 2011 field season. Positions will be based out of Avery, Idaho. Technician will assist with data collection in various fish and wildlife projects. Appropriate training will be provided. In addition to the above duties, positions may require: Doing a variety of stream measurements, installing and maintaining research plots, carrying a pack with field and safety gear, hiking through rough terrain, using a GPS unit to navigate to and record field locations, using a PDA for certain types of data entry, driving Forest Service vehicles on paved and dirt roads, frequent camping, and working with others on a small field crew. A strong interest in fisheries and/or wildlife biology is required. Must be able to work with a small field crew in a variety of physical conditions, have a positive attitude, good work ethic, and enjoy field work, hiking, and camping. Seasonal positions. **Dates:** June through September. Dates are flexible. **Location:** Avery, Idaho. Housing is provided at the cost of about \$3 a day. **Pay:** GS-3 (\$11.95/hour) or GS-4 (\$13.41/hour). **Student Applicants:** You may apply as a student if you are accepted or enrolled as a degree-seeking student, are enrolled at least half time in the spring of 2011 and planning to enroll at least half time for the fall of 2011, are in good academic standing. Submit (1) a cover letter, (2) transcripts, and (3) a complete resume which includes exact dates of employment, employer name and address, supervisor name and phone number, detailed description of your duties, your available dates (from and to), and location/GS level(s) you'd like to apply for. **Send to:** chemping@fs.fed.us. **For full consideration, submit your application ASAP. Interested parties call:** Craig Hemping, 34 Debbitt Way, Avery, ID 83802. **Phone:** 208-245-6242.

PAYROLL INFORMATION

Our pay period ends Saturday, May 14, 2011. Please be sure to **submit your time by Monday, May 16, at 12 NOON.** This gives your approver time to approve your time card and fix any problems by **Tuesday, May 17,** 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.