



# ISU Newsletter



## Weekly Announcements for January 21-27, 2007

Please submit newsletter information to Susan at [rittsusa@isu.edu](mailto:rittsusa@isu.edu)

### Faculty/Staff/Other Meetings

There will be a Biological Sciences Faculty meeting **Tuesday, January 23, 2007 at noon** in the **Speech Pathology building in room 315**.

### Seminars

**Dr. Michael Stark**, BYU, "A Neuron's First Steps: Molecular Cues in Early Nervous System Development", Thursday, **January 25, 2007 at 4pm** in the **Plant Science Lecture Hall, 114**.

### Awards

Katie Miller, graduate student with Dr. Matocq, was awarded \$5,400 from the Bureau of Land Management for her research, "Ecological Correlates of Genetic Structure of Townsend's Big-eared Bats in Southeast Idaho". This is the second award Katie has received for this project, totaling \$10,400 from the BLM over two years.

### 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.

### Employment Opportunities

\$30,000 Fellowship Available for ISU Graduate Students in Science and Engineering  
Be a fellow in ISU's prestigious National Science Foundation (NSF) funded GK-12 Program: Spend 15 hours/week with a 5-12 grade science, math or technology teacher during the 2007-2008 school year. Be a 'Scientist/Engineer in Residence' in a 5-12th grade classroom and work with your teacher partner to successfully guide your students through high quality inquiry based science, math and engineering projects. No prior teaching experience required. Applications due February 6th, 2007  
For an application and more information, visit <http://www.isu.edu/departments/gradk12/index.html>  
Questions? Contact Hannah Sanger at 282-6458 [sanghann@isu.edu](mailto:sanghann@isu.edu)

**Bureau of Reclamation Department of the Interior**

**POSITION: Biological Science Technician, GS-404-2/3/4 \$9.91 – 12.14 per hour**

Enjoy challenging and diversified work. Earn \$\$\$ for college expenses.

**LOCATION: Snake River Area Office, Cascade Field Station, Cascade, Idaho**

**OPENING DATE: 01/08/07**

**CLOSING DATE: 03/02/07**

**POSITION: Survey Technician, GS-817-3/4 \$10.82 - 12.14 per hour**

**LOCATION: Snake River Area Office, Burley Office, Burley, Idaho**

**OPENING DATE: January 8, 2007**

**CLOSING DATE: February 23, 2007**

**For additional information about these positions, contact Luz Moreno at 208/378-5160.**

**The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority is Seeking Manager, Social and Economic Information Science Technology and Information Group**

Townsville, Queensland - Australia

EL1 Salary range \$77,330–\$83,198

**The GBRMPA is seeking a person who is innovative, seeks a challenge and who has the ability to lead a team.** You will apply social and economic information in the field of natural resource management, deliver client focused services and build partnerships with a range of people and organizations to deliver outcomes.

[http://www.gbrmpa.gov.au/corp\\_site/about\\_us/employment/pn352-361.html](http://www.gbrmpa.gov.au/corp_site/about_us/employment/pn352-361.html)

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## Notices

### **Visiting Professionals Workshops or Field Trips 2007**

#### **Travel Grants Available for Taylor Ranch Field Station, University of Idaho**

The primary purpose of the Visiting Professionals Travel Grants is to provide a diversity of field oriented experiences for students working with natural resources professionals at Taylor Ranch Field Station (TRFS). A second purpose is to introduce professionals – university faculty, agency scientists, or educators – to Taylor Ranch Field Station to stimulate interest in development of future research or educational activities from the field station. The Visiting Professionals travel grants are provided through the DeVlieg Foundation.

Four grants of up to \$1,000 each are available to university faculty or natural resources professionals to pay for air charter travel expenses and TRFS lodging costs to present a workshop or hands-on training session for students at Taylor Ranch Field Station. Examples of activities that could be funded through this grant include 1) 4 days working with student interns and other students who are spending the summer at TRFS, 2) bringing a class to TRFS for a field trip, and 3) putting on a field oriented workshop at TRFS. Recipients will be selected to expand the range of research and education activities at TRFS and provide a diversity of experiences for students. Each grant recipient is responsible for developing and

presenting their educational program and after the workshop providing a short summary and photos of the activity to TRFS for use on a web page or other outlets. Summaries of previously awarded Visiting Professionals trips can be seen on the Taylor Ranch Field Station website <http://www.cnrhome.uidaho.edu/default.aspx?pid=88284>

To apply: Submit a 1-2 page summary of the proposed activity to Jim & Holly Akenson at [tayranch@hughes.net](mailto:tayranch@hughes.net). The summary should include the topic and description of activities, who the student audience is, number of participants, dates, and a cost estimate. Applications can be submitted at any time of year, but for earliest consideration for Summer 2007 email or mail your request by **February 15, 2007**.

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**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.  
Full Information Website: [www.isu.edu/ias/](http://www.isu.edu/ias/)