



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 9, 2010

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FACULTY/STAFF/OTHER MEETINGS

There will **NOT** be a **Biological Sciences Faculty Meeting** until Fall 2010 semester.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Congratulations to the following graduate students who were awarded the 2010 Molecular Research Core Facility (MRCF) Graduate Student Seed Grants:

- **Celena Shrum – Drs. Peter Sheridan and Linda DeVeaux's labs**
- **Zhen Li – Dr. Malcolm Shields' lab**
- **Rich Beard – Dr. Shawn Bearden's lab**
- **Ming Fang – Dr. Julia Oxford's lab** (Boise State University)

Each student was awarded \$500 to be used for MRCF services or instrument usage. Funds were provided by the MRCF and Dr. Christopher Daniels/INBRE (\$1,000.00 each).

Congratulations to **Devon Rasmussen**, MS student, who was chosen as the **Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant for 2010** and to **Miglena Manandhar** who was chosen as the **Outstanding Graduating Senior for 2010**.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

A summer job is available at the University of Idaho, Aberdeen Research and Extension Center, Aberdeen, Idaho. Employees will perform general field and lab duties. A basic knowledge of general laboratory procedures, including fungal and bacterial isolation, culture, and characterization is desired, but not required. **Pay range \$8 - \$9 per hour depending on experience.** General lab duties may include: preparing growth media, preparing buffers and reagents, working with hazardous chemicals such as acids and pesticides, assisting with preparing equipment set-up and take-down for experiments, entering data and maintaining logs and/or records, preparing samples for PCR-DNA extraction for pathogen detection and enumeration, and field work will include maintaining research plots and helping to rate plots for disease severity and incidence. This position has the potential to lead to future independent research projects. **Please contact Araby Belcher at arbelcher@uidaho.edu or (919) 609-2677 9 (call at any time).**

Summer Field Research Assistants in small mammal ecology. Two positions available. 20 hrs/week; \$10/hr. Conduct small mammal survey at the INL. Work will include live-trapping, handling, and marking of small mammals, data recording. Must be reliable, willing to work evenings/early mornings. Housing available in Atomic City, 4WD vehicle provided. RA's will receive training in animal handling, driving, safety, and INL security. **For more information or to apply submit resume and letter of interest to Dr. Rosemary Smith, smitrose@isu.edu.**

Quality Assurance Technologist, Idaho Pacific Corporation (IPC), Ririe, ID. Position will be responsible for quality assurance training, laboratory work, research/development support, and document preparation. Candidates must have a bachelor's degree in Food Science, Microbiology, Chemistry or

related field, experience in laboratory practices and skills, knowledge of food manufacturing and quality awareness, and excellent communication skills - verbal and written. Competitive wage, medical, dental, and vacation. IPC is an EEO and Drug - Free work place. Please send resume and references to:
sandra@idahopacific.com

The Division of Paleontology at the American Museum of Natural History is offering a small number of **full-time, 8-week internships for graduate or undergraduate students in paleontology, life sciences, museum studies, or related fields** (June 28, 2010 start). The interns will work with collection management staff to carry out collection inventories; survey and prepare collections in advance of collection moves; georeference specimen localities; and construct archival quality housings for specimens and associated labels. A stipend will be provided as support over the internship period. Interested parties should email a résumé and cover letter to be received **no later than Friday May 14, 2010** to Ruth O'Leary, Director of Collections and Archives, Division of Paleontology, American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West @ 79th Street, New York, NY 10024. Email oleary@amnh.org.

Detroit Ranger District is looking to fill **2 seasonal positions Biological Science Technician (Botany) GS-04/05**. One of those is Student (STEP) position. Information on the STEP program is available at <http://www.fs.fed.us/fsjobs/step.html>. **Deadline is May 15, 2010**. Send STEP employment forms and resume to Chris Wagner clwagner@fs.fed.us. Start date is negotiable based on employee eligibility. **Forms needed for application:** OF-612 Optional Application, OF-306 Declaration for Federal Employment, copy of most recent transcripts, and letter of intent on school letterhead concerning status of student. If you have any questions, please contact Human Resources at 1-877-372-7248. **For more information regarding specific seasonal positions, please contact:** Chris Wagner (Botanist) 503-584-3890, clwagner@fs.fed.us OR Daryl Whitmore (Wildlife Biologist) 503-584-4225, dwhitmore@fs.fed.us.

PAYROLL INFORMATION

Our pay period ends Saturday, May 15. Please be sure to **submit your time by Monday, May 17, at 12 NOON**. This gives **your approver time to approve your time card and fix any problems by Tuesday, May 18**, 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.