

NEWSLETTER OF THE ESA AQUATIC ECOLOGY SECTION

Pre-Meeting Update 09 July 2002

The annual meeting in Tucson is quickly approaching. We hope to see many of you there. We have several important announcements and we would also like to highlight several important events involving the Aquatic Ecology Section, which we hope you will participate in.

1. BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA FOR TUCSON. The 2002 Business meeting of the section will be held at from 6:30-8:00pm, Wednesday, August 7, at the Radisson City Center Hotel's Poolside Patio (on the Mezzanine Level). At the meeting, we will:

- Present the student travel awards.
- Announce the winner of the Best Student Paper Award, 2001.
- Announce and present the winner of the 2002 Thomas M. Frost Award.
- Discuss symposia for 2003 meeting.
- Accept nominations for new officers (to be elected this coming year for 2003).
- Make other announcements and discuss new items from the floor.

2. STUDENT TRAVEL AWARDS TO 2002 ESA MEETING. The Aquatic Section is pleased to announce that 4 students will receive travel awards (\$150) to help them attend the annual ESA meeting in Tucson. Presentations will be made at this year's business meeting and mixer. Those students are:

Erica Garcia, Kellogg Biological Station, Michigan State University

Indirect effects of fish predation on invertebrate predators in aquatic communities with enrichment

Dawn Osborn, UC Santa Cruz

The effects of variation in substrate type on settlement and post-settlement processes of sessile intertidal flora and fauna

Amy Schrank, University of Wyoming

Movement patterns in inland cutthroat trout, migrants, residents or a continuum?

Heather Vance, University of Illinois and Illinois Natural History Survey

Evaluating the prevalence of non-additivity for multiple predator species in aquatic systems

3. BEST STUDENT PAPER AWARD. This year, we will select the second winner for the Best Student Paper Award for a talk given at the annual ESA meeting by a student member of the Section. Last year's recipient was:

Mark Scheuerell, University of Washington

Effect of incident light on the diel vertical migration of juvenile sockeye salmon in Alaska lakes".

Mark received a check for \$200 in recognition of his outstanding presentation.

- 4. THOMAS M. FROST AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN GRADUATE RESEARCH.** 2002 is the inaugural year for the Thomas M. Frost award. Ten scientists were nominated for making an exemplary contribution to the field. The 2002 Selection Committee reviewed the 10 nominating packages and selected a winner by consensus. The winner of the first Thomas M. Frost Award will be announced at the Aquatic Ecology Section Business Meeting and Mixer in Tucson. The recipient will receive a plaque and \$500.

The award was established through an endowment established by the Aquatic Ecology Section and generated by donations from students, colleagues, and friends of Tom Frost. To date, we have collected \$10,872, contributed by ~70 individuals and institutions. We are grateful to them all. The Thomas M. Frost Award has also been added to the ESA membership form, so we are hopeful that new contributions will be received each year to help sustain the fund. Please keep this in mind when you renew your ESA membership.

- 5. 2002 (TUCSON) AQUATIC ECOLOGY SECTION SPONSORED SYMPOSIA**
Together with SER and the ESA Applied and Theoretical Ecology sections, we are sponsoring a joint ESA/SER symposium on *Ecological Theory and Restoration Ecology*, organized by Margaret Palmer, Joy Zedler, and Don Falk. It is scheduled for 8-11 AM, Monday, August 5th in the Tucson Convention Center, Leo Rich Theater.
- 6. CALL FOR SYMPOSIUM PROPOSALS FOR THE 2003 ESA MEETING.** Each year the Aquatic Section sponsors at least one symposium at the annual meetings. We will have an open discussion of ideas for Aquatic Symposia at our annual business meeting to generate interest and focus attention upon themes of particular importance to the Section. If proposals are developed before the business meeting and there is consensus, we may also decide which symposium to officially sponsor (although sponsorship is not necessary for inclusion in the final program).
- 7. JUDGES NEEDED!** Our Best Student Paper Award is piggybacked on the Buell competition. Thus, it's critical that members of our section volunteer to serve as judges in the Buell-Braun competition sponsored by the Society. If you are able to serve as a judge for 4-6 papers/poster (it's a relatively minor commitment, yet an important service), please contact Karen Clancy (kclancy@fs.fed.us), who pleads:

Dear Colleague,

I am the new Chairperson for the Buell/Braun Student Awards Subcommittee of the Ecological Society of America; I (perhaps foolishly) took over this responsibility from Paul Marino. If you are attending the ESA meeting next month in Tucson, I am sending out this e-mail to try and twist your arm into volunteering to judge around 4-6 student papers/posters. Current graduate students are not eligible to judge, but anyone with a M.S. or Ph.D. can serve as a judge. I desperately need additional judges, so please consider volunteering to help with this important society function if possible! Please forgive me if this is a duplicate request for you, or if you have already indicated you are willing to judge. Thanks!

If you are willing to judge, Karen needs you to email her the following information:

Name:
Current mailing address:
Telephone:
Fax:
E-mail:
Year M.S. received:
Year Ph.D. received:
Areas of expertise (check all that apply):
Discipline
 Botany
 Zoology
 Microbiology
Habitat
 Soil
 Terrestrial
 Freshwater
 Marine
Research approach (please rank)
 Population ecology
 Community ecology
 Ecosystem ecology
 Applied ecology
 Physiological ecology
 Behavioral ecology
 Paleoecology
 Theoretical ecology
 Evolutionary ecology
Organisms
 Vertebrates Types:
 Invertebrates Types:
 Plants Types:
 Fungi
 Microbes Types:

Also provide a few keywords that describe your interests and expertise.

Thanks for your help!

We look forward to seeing you this summer in Tucson.

--Craig Osenberg (Chair)
--Chris Luecke (Vice-Chair)
--Margaret Palmer (Past-Chair)
--Emily Stanley (Secretary)
--Chris Swan (Communications Editor)

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