



# LIFE SCIENCE NEWS

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join the IAB Business Office in welcoming IAB's new travel technician, Teneeshia York.

Teneeshia comes to IAB with 5 years experience in the UAF travel office! Her office hours are Monday through Friday 9am-4pm. You may contact Teneeshia at her email address: [fsty@uaf.edu](mailto:fsty@uaf.edu) or telephone: x7811. Please stop by and welcome Teneeshia to IAB in room 310 Irving I.

**Alaska Bird Conference Workshop** still has room, please sign up ASAP if you are interested!

Study Design Refresher: Fundamentals of Sampling and Monitoring Design Workshop

This workshop, aimed at resource agency biologists and graduate students, will review the fundamentals of classical sampling or survey design and, briefly monitoring design as they relate to common efforts in natural resource management. The work shop will demonstrate design concepts using real life examples, predominantly from surveys on the National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska or salmon research and management in the Pacific Northwest. The focus is on concepts and understanding rather than mathematic details, though some equations undoubtedly sneak in. A major focus is identification of the primary sources of potential bias in natural resource surveys.

March 3, 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Instructor: Joel H. Reynolds, Regional Refuge Biometrician, Region 7 Refuges, Division of Realty & Natural Resources, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
Cost: \$30 includes lunch; limited to 35 attendees

Information: Abby Powell, [ffanp@uaf.edu](mailto:ffanp@uaf.edu)

### **Nominations for the Usibelli Awards for Excellence in Teaching, Service, and Research are due February 18, 2008**

All members of the university community - faculty, staff, students, and the public - are invited to submit nominations. Nominations will take the form of a one-page memorandum, highlighting the experience of the nominee in teaching, research, or public service. Please choose which one of these areas you are nominating the candidate for and provide rationale for the nominee's qualifications and the nature of the distinguished activity. Please send nominations to the Office of the Provost, 301 Signers' Hall or fax to 474-1836.

For more information, please refer to <http://www.uaf.edu/provost/usibelli/index.html>, or contact Sarah Lewis at x5178.

### **Judges Needed for Weller Elementary Science Fair**

Date: February 7th at 8:45 am to about 11:00 or 11:30.

There will be coffee and sweets in the morning and a great lunch served about 11:00.

Contact: Betsy Sturm at [esturm@northstar.k12.ak.us](mailto:esturm@northstar.k12.ak.us)

## **LIFE SCIENCES SEMINAR**

**Andrea Bersamin**

Stanford Prevention Research Center

**“Community-Based Chronic Disease Prevention Efforts in Underserved Populations: Examples from California and Alaska”**

Elvey Auditorium

**Friday, February 1, 2008, 3:30 p.m.**

The Student-Faculty Awards Committee is seeking **nominations** for the **Marion Francis Boswell Award** (Outstanding Graduating Senior Woman), the **Joel Wiegert Award** (Outstanding Graduating Senior Man), and the **Gray S. Tilly Memorial Award** (Outstanding Graduating Non-Traditional Student). These awards recognize outstanding UAF graduates each year.

You are encouraged to nominate a student or students for consideration by the committee relative to the awards above. Students nominated must have received or will be receiving their baccalaureate degree during the 2007-2008 academic year. Questions concerning these awards may be directed to Lydia Anderson at 7037.

Nomination forms are available at the Wood Center Front Desk. Nominations should be returned to: Student-Faculty Awards Committee, c/o Wood Center. You can also nominate on line at [\\*www.alaska.edu/woodcenter/awards\\*](http://www.alaska.edu/woodcenter/awards). The **deadline** for submitting nominations is **February 15, 2008**.

## →→TRAVEL→→

- **Brad Griffith**, 1/30-2/2, Santa Barbera, CA, Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy Synthesis Meeting
- **Cecile Lardon**, 1/28-31, Tuntutuliak, AK, fieldwork

### *Quote of the week:*

*“You don’t stop laughing when you grow old; you grow old when you stop laughing.”*

*~Michael Pritchard*

## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 29**

**3:30 p.m. - Great Hall of Harper Building (4280 Geist Rd.)**

“Ethnoveterinary Medicine among the Aguaruna of the Peruvian Amazon”

**Dr. Kevin Jernigan**, University of Georgia, candidate for the ethnobotany position with the College of Rural and Community Development, Kuskokwim Campus.  
Information: Rose Meier, x6953, [fnram2@uaf.edu](mailto:fnram2@uaf.edu)

**7:00 p.m. - Gold Room, Fairbanks Westmark Hotel (813 Noble Street, downtown Fairbanks)**

“Unheard Soundscape: The Infrasound World of Man and Nature”

**Curt Szuberla**, Geophysical Institute, UAF  
Information: [www.scienceforalaska.com](http://www.scienceforalaska.com) or 474-7558.

## **THURSDAY, JANUARY 31**

**Noon - IAB Break Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor**

CANHR will host a pizza lunch for graduate students to meet **Andrea Bersamin**, candidate for Associate/Assistant Professor of Nutrition and Physical Activity. Pizza and drinks will be provided.  
For more information, please contact Michelle Dondanville at x 6230.