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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Kelly Seekatz

Kelly is now a Certified Research Administrator following successful completion of the certification exam in May 2008. The CRA designation, valid for five years, means that Kelly has met the Research Administrator Certification Council eligibility requirements and has demonstrated knowledge of the fundamental information necessary for a person to be a professional research or sponsored program administrator.

NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The Advanced Instrumentation Laboratory (AIL), University of Alaska Fairbanks, is pleased to announce its "Project Seed Grants" program. The program is designed to provide researchers from all fields the opportunity to use AIL instrumentation for obtaining "just that bit of data that it will take to make a proposal feasible" or to develop and/or establish an analytical technique that is not currently available at AIL. Details about the program and AIL are available at <http://www.uaf.edu/ail/links.html>. There is no deadline for proposals, currently scheduled review dates are September 1, 2008 and January 19, 2009.

Prize for Young Life Scientists Science magazine and General Electric's Prize for Young Life Scientists:

If you've been awarded a PhD in molecular biology* during 2007, submit a 1,000 word essay on your work before August 1, 2008, and you could be the winner. There are four regional prize winners from North America, Europe, Japan and the rest of the world. The winners will:

- * fly to Stockholm for the award ceremony
- * meet some of the Nobel Prize laureates
- * have their PhD profiled in the online version of Science

* receive \$25,000 or \$5,000 for regional winners
The prize, established in 1996, helps bring science to life by recognizing outstanding PhDs from around the world.

* For the purpose of this prize molecular biology is defined as "that part of biology which attempts to interpret biological events in terms of the physicochemical properties of molecules in a cell" - (McGraw-Hill Dictionary of Scientific and Technical Terms, 4th Edition).

<http://www1.gelifesciences.com/APTRIX/upp01077.nsf/Content/science>

TRAVEL

- **Archana Bali**, 6/15-8/30, various field sites in Alaska for research
- **Christopher Barger**, 7/1-8/22, St. George and St. Paul Island, AK, research field work
- **Dixie Dayo**, 7/11-23, Heathrow, London, attending the 2008 IASC conference
- **Ine Dorresteijn**, 7/1-8/22, St. Paul Island, AK, research field work
- **Sergei Drovetski**, 7/1-19, Dutch Harbor, AK, field work
- **Benjamin Gaglioti**, 7/8-9/3, Toolik Field Station, field work, trapping and animal research
- **Jason Garron**, 7/1/08-4/30/09, Bonanza Creek, site visit
- **Falk Huettmann**, 7/5-9/6, Sakhalin, St. Petersburg, Russian Khinka Lake, and Vladivostok, field work, Avian Influenza and IPY St. Petersburg conference
- **Grant Humphries**, 7/9-24, Bering Sea, performing surveys of seabirds
- **Jeremy Jones**, 6/1-9/15, various field sites in Alaska for research
- **Sasha Kitaysky**, 7/1-19, St. George and Dutch Harbor, AK, field work

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- **Franziska Kohl**, 7/8-9/3, Toolik Field Station, field work, trapping and animal research
- **Veronica Kohl**, 7/8-9/3, Toolik Field Station, field work, trapping and animal research
- **Kristin O'Brien**, 7/11-21, Bangor, ME, discuss research and field work
- **Todd O'Hara**, 7/7-21, Mekoryuk, AK, data collection
- **Marcy Okada**, 6/9-8/1, Barrow, AK, field work interviewing Elders
- **Sarah Renteria**, 6/1-9/15, various field sites in Alaska for research
- **Melanie Richter**, 7/8-9/3, Toolik Field Station, field work, trapping and animal research
- **Amanda Rinehart**, 6/1-9/15, various field sites in Alaska for research
- **Glenn Scott**, 6/12-7/14, Moscow, Russia, field work for Arctic Observatory Networks
- **Sumio Sekine**, 6/22-7/24, Barrow, AK, field work
- **Carla Willetto**, 7/7-21, Mekoryuk, AK, data collection
- **Rebecca Young**, 7/1-8/22, St. Paul Island, AK, research field work
- **Sarah Youngren**, 7/1-8/22, St. Paul Island, AK, research field work
- **Margaret Zimmer**, 6/1-9/15, various field sites in Alaska for research

Quote of the Week:

Most folks are about as happy as they make up their minds to be.

- Abraham Lincoln