



LIFE SCIENCE NEWS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The IAB Grant Tech office will be short staffed from Feb 23 – Mar 9. During Kelly Seekatz's absence please see Sharon Corbet in 312A IRV I, x 6517 or Jen Peterman in 308 IRV I, x7650.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

1:00 p.m. - 401 Akasofu Building

Biobites (Grad Student) Seminar

"Factors Affecting Chick Survival of Dunlin (*Calidris alpina*) from Initial and Replacement Clutches near Barrow, Alaska"

Brooke Hill, UAF Dept. of Biology and Wildlife

Information: bhill@uaf.edu

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

1:00 p.m. - 201 O'Neill

Ecology & Ecosystem Seminar

"Sustainable Bristol Bay Fisheries and Proposed Pebble Mine Development: What are the Risks?"

Carol Ann Woody, Fisheries Research and Consulting, Anchorage

Information: ffmsw@uaf.edu

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - IAB Library

Hazardous Waste Management Training

This training is required by the EPA for all people that work in a laboratory environment and have not

previously had this training, or anyone that might have specific concerns about disposal of waste materials in their lab. If you would like to attend, please contact Jami Warrick at x5455 or at jami.warrick@alaska.edu.

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - 201 Irving I

Biology & Wildlife Faculty Meeting

Discussion: Revisions to the CNSM Unit Criteria

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - 201 Irving I

Biomedical Graduate Thesis Defense

"Lessons from the River: Identifying Factors that Influence the Comprehension of Genetics Research in a Yup'ik Eskimo Community"

Kate McGlone West, M.S. candidate

Information: <http://www.iab.uaf.edu/events/index.php>

9:30a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - 109 Butrovich Building

Butrovich Regents' Conference Room

Ecology & Ecosystem Graduate Thesis Defense

"Urban Stream Management: Interdisciplinary Assessment of an Alaskan Salmon Fishery"

Meagan Krupa, Ph.D. candidate

Information: <http://www.iab.uaf.edu/events/index.php>

11:00a.m. – 1:00p.m. – IRV I Lobby

BAKE SALE!!

The IAB Heart Walk Team for the American Heart Association is in high gear. The first of many fund raisers is this bake sale. Come on out and donate to help support cardiovascular disease.

Also-mark your calendars for the Fairbanks Heart Walk-Saturday, May 16.

LIFE SCIENCES SEMINAR

3:30 p.m.

Friday, February 27, 2009, Elvey Auditorium

"Patterns of Cryptic Speciation in Madagascar's Mouse Lemurs: Just Because We Can't See Them, Doesn't Mean They Aren't There"

Anne Yoder

Professor, Director, Duke Lemur Center
Duke University

NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Important information about the 2009 Global Change Student Competition:

Both graduate and undergraduate students are encouraged to check out the application information for the newly revised and expanded 2009 Global Change Student Research Grant Competition, now posted at <http://www.cgc.uaf.edu>. Interested students and their faculty advisors should read the 2009 information carefully, as many things have changed since last year! Paper copies of the announcement can be picked up at the Center for Global Change, Room 306 Akasofu (IARC), or the Graduate School, Room 202 Eielson. **Full proposals are due Friday, March 6, 2009.** For information call Susan Sugai at 474-5415.

The Compton Foundation

Description: In a world that is increasingly interrelated, the Compton Foundation seeks to foster human and ecological security by addressing contemporary threats to these inalienable rights. We support responsible stewardship that respects the rights of future generations to a balanced and healthy ecology, both personal and global, allowing for the full richness of human experience. The Foundation envisions a world in which humans live in harmony with each other, and in sustainable balance with the earth. To realize this vision, the Compton Foundation focuses most of its grant making in the areas of [Peace & Security](#), [Environment & Sustainability](#), and [Population & Reproductive Health](#), with a special emphasis on projects that explore the interconnections between these categories.

Details: UAF may submit one proposal per year.

Deadline: March 7, 2009

URL:

http://www.comptonfoundation.org/application_procedures.html

Arthur J. Schaible Memorial Cultural Enrichment Fund

Award Amount: \$2,000

Deadline: March 16, 2009

The Arthur J. Schaible Memorial Cultural Enrichment Fund is awarded each year to provide funding in the memory of Arthur J. Schaible for a special activity which serves to enrich the cultural life at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. Examples of activities are a lecture, performance, literary reading or publication, visiting professor or speaker, or special event.

Proposals should be submitted to Department Heads for signature and forwarded to the Graduate School. The proposal should include the type of event, name of speaker, lecturer, performer(s), date of event, amount requested, and how funds will be used, i.e. travel expenses. The sponsoring department will be responsible for coordinating the event, including travel paperwork, catering, and advertising.

Submit proposals to:

Office of the Graduate School
202 Eielson Building
474-7464
fygrads@uaf.edu

TRAVEL

- **Wendy Anderson**, 2/24-26/09, Boston, MA, SEAPRE annual planners meeting
- **Brian Barnes**, 2/23-3/3/09, Washington, DC and Woods Hole, MA, meet with Program Officers at NSF, and attend Arctic LTER Annual Meeting
- **Donie Bret-Harte**, 2/23-3/2/09, Washington, DC and Woods Hole, MA, NSF/LTER meetings
- **Bill Cable**, 7/1/08-4/30/09, Bonanza Creek, site visit
- **La Ona DeWilde**, 1/13-3/12/09, Sao Paulo, Brazil, IGERT internship
- **Kelly Drew**, 2/23-25/09, Anchorage, Science for Alaska Series (statewide)
- **Phillip Loring**, 9/18/08-5/1/09, Arizona and Mexico, RAP Internship, Sonoran Institute
- **Christa Mulder**, 2/24-26/09, Boston, MA, SEAPRE annual planners meeting
- **Steffen Oppel**, 2/20-27/09, Hakodate, Japan, present part of a paper and attend the Pacific Seabird Group annual meeting
- **Glenn Scott**, 2/25-3/1/09, Woods Hole, MA, Arctic LTER Annual Meeting
- **Skip Walker**, 2/24-25/09, Anchorage, attend Bio-Diversity planning meeting
- **Emily Weiser**, 2/20-28/09, Hakodate, Japan, present part of a thesis and attend the Pacific Seabird Group annual meeting
- **Joe Welch**, 2/10-21/09, Anchorage-Fairbanks, research with Perry Barboza

Quote of the Week:

"If you are not willing to risk the unusual, you will have to settle for the ordinary."

~ Jim Rohn