



# LIFE SCIENCE NEWS

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## Announcements

**IAB and IMS invite you to the 2009 Irving-Scholander Memorial Lecture by Gerhard Walter Heldmaier** on Sept. 3, 8 p.m. in the UA Museum of the North. Heldmaier will also present a Life Sciences Seminar on Friday, Sept. 4, 3:30-4:30 p.m. in Elvey Auditorium. The Irving-Scholander Memorial Lecture Series endowment supports regular visits of an outstanding life scientist to UAF to present two formal lectures and meet with faculty members and students for informal discussions.

**Hail and Farewell Party, Wed, Sept. 2** Our wonderful Assistant to the Director, Mrs. Dorothy Parkerson, will be leaving IAB to take a new position at IARC.

Please show your support and wish her well in her new endeavors and location. Her last full day at IAB will be September 4, 2009 and we will be hosting a farewell party Wed. Sept 2, at noon in the IAB breakroom.

We all know how indispensable she has been and the numerous roles that she has played in her three years at IAB.

The Director's office would like to invite everyone to send her off with warm wishes next Wednesday at noon in the IAB break room September 2, 2009.

Sandra Preshaw and Deseree Baker (Director's Office) will be collecting contributions for an Artworks gift certificate. Contributions toward dessert and beverages would also be greatly appreciated.

## Geist Rd and Thompson Dr. traffic changes.

Starting 7 p.m. Fri. Aug. 28 and continuing until 7 a.m. Mon. Aug. 31, Great Northwest will be closing lanes and reducing traffic to two lanes on Geist Rd. and Thompson Dr. This is so the sewer line can be replaced. Traffic will be reduced to 10 mph in the construction zone.

If you have any questions you can contact Stephen "Stick" Platzkeme at 452-5617 or [splatzke@grtnw.com](mailto:splatzke@grtnw.com) As always, emergency vehicles will have the right of way.

Thank you

Stephen "Stick" Platzke GNI Traffic Manger

**Please welcome our new IAB business office staff members Alicia Barger and Julie Logsdon.** Alicia (x7912) is our new grant technician. She recently left the military as an intelligence officer. Julie (x2781) is our new human resources coordinator in charge of all non-benefited employees. She comes to us from UAF HR. Please stop by and introduce yourself.

Kelly Seekatz is back to work in the grant tech office as of this week.

A grant list will be distributed shortly to PIs as a reminder of which grant tech is assigned which PI.

In related HR news, IAB is currently recruiting for a purchasing person.

**Joe Margraf**, professor fisheries and unit leader of the Alaska Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, will be awarded the **American Fisheries Society's 2009**

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## LIFE SCIENCES SEMINAR

Friday, 4 September 2009

3:30PM - Elvey Auditorium, 214 Elvey Building

### Seasonal acclimation of small mammals

Gerhard Walter Heldmaier

Professor of Animal Physiology and Vice President

Philipps-Universitat Marburg, Germany

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**Meritorious Service Award** for his unswerving loyalty, dedication, and exceptional commitment to the programs, ideals, objectives and long-term goals of the society at their annual meeting Aug.31 in Nashville, Tennessee.

## Events and Seminars

### 31 August 2009

- **Workshop: New Graduate Student Orientation**  
**Carol Piser**  
9:00AM  
501 IARC

### 2 September 2009

- **Social: Hail and Farewell Party for Dorothy Parkerson**  
12:00PM  
IAB Breakroom

- **Workshop: Google Apps Training for IAB/BW Faculty**  
**Gary Bender**  
1:00PM  
303 Irving I computer lab

### 3 September 2009

- **Notice: First Day of Classes**

- **Workshop: Hazardous Waste Management Training**  
**Jami Warrick**  
11:00AM  
IAB Library, 311 Irving I

- **Meeting: Biology and Wildlife Faculty Meeting**  
1:00PM  
201 Irving I

- **Special Seminar: Mammalian Torpor: Turning Down the Fire of Life**  
**Gerhard Walter Heldmaier**

8:00PM  
UA Museum of the North

## Travel

- **Alstrom, Deborah**, 8/28/09 - 9/4/09, Emmonak, AK, Fieldwork
- **Barger, Chris**, 6/18/09 - 9/7/09, Adak Island, AK, NPRB Fieldwork: Seabird Sampling
- **Barrales, Rocio**, 9/3/09 - 10/21/09, Guadalajara, Mexico, Collect seeds along Pacific Coast in the Chamela biological station.
- **Bulgarella, Mariana**, 8/21/09 - 9/7/09, Medellin, Columbia, Attend class in Medellin and give a seminar at Bogota.
- **Cable, William**, 5/8/09 - 8/31/09, Delta Junction, Fieldwork near Delta Junction between May through August
- **Divoky, George**, 6/10/09 - 9/5/09, Barrow/ Cooper Island, Fieldwork on Cooper Island
- **Ebbesson, Gunnar**, 8/31/09 - 9/2/09, Anchorage, AK, Cultural Resonance Project
- **Heldmaier, Gerard**, 8/27/09 - 9/5/09, Fairbanks, AK, Invited Irving-Scholander Memorial Lecture Speaker
- **Hopkins, Sarah**, 8/30/09 - 9/5/09, Missoula, MT, Attend Conservatio Genetics Data Analysis Course
- **Juday, Glen GROUP**, 8/25/09 - 9/1/09, Yukon Flats, YRB USGS Project at Yukon Flats
- **Kielland, Knut**, 8/26/09 - 9/1/09, Coldfoot, AK, Live trapping of snowshoe hares
- **Kohl, Franziska**, 8/11/09 - 9/1/09, Toolik Field Station, Fieldwork
- **Lehner, Neil**, 8/10/09 - 9/3/09, Prudhoe Bay, Barrow, and NPR-A, fieldwork

- **Lehner, Neil**, 8/10/09 - 9/5/09, Prudoe Bay, AK, Arctic fox fieldwork in Prudoe Bay and Barrow
- **Margraf, Joe**, 8/27/09 - 9/4/09, Nashville, TN, attend Annual American Fisheries Society Meeting
- **Mortensen, Brent**, 7/15/09 - 8/31/09, Fairbanks, AK, Research/site clean-up
- **Neuswanger, Jason**, 8/30/09 - 9/3/09, Nashville, TN, Attend American Fisheries Society Conference
- **O'Brien, Kristen**, 8/31/09 - 9/3/09, San Lius, CA, Collecting fish
- **Parks, Brett**, 7/13/09 - 8/31/09, Fairbanks, AK, Research/site clean-up
- **Perry, Megan**, 8/30/09 - 9/3/09, Nashville, TN, Attend American Fisheries Society Conference
- **Shea, Katie**, 5/2/09 - 9/1/09, Fairbanks, Fieldwork at Bonanza Creek
- **Shenoy, Aditi**, 6/2/09 - 8/31/09, Delta Junction, Fieldwork 20 miles south of Delta Junction
- **Stolarski, Jason**, 8/24/09 - 9/5/09, Fairbanks-Irishak River,

fieldwork

- **Stone, James**, 6/8/09 - 9/10/09, Asia, Mathematical modeling in Asia with NSF collaboration
- **Vargas-Kretsinger Delia & Group**, 5/25/09 - 10/5/09, Beaver, AK, Conduct salmon fieldwork in Beaver area
- **Wagner, Diane**, 5/26/09 - 9/1/09, Fairbanks, Local fieldwork on the ecology of Aspen insect interaction
- **Wipfli, Mark**, 8/30/09 - 9/3/09, Nashville, TN, Present at the American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting
- **Young, Rebecca & Group**, 7/1/09 - 9/26/09, St George & St Paul, Fieldwork: Seabird Ecology in the Pribilofs

## New Funding Opportunities

**Gulf of Alaska Integrated Ecosystem Research Program**  
(North Pacific Research Board)

**Deadline:** 10/2/2009

This request for proposals is for the Forage Base component, the Lower Trophic Level & Physical Oceanography component and the Ecosystem Modeling component. Each component will be competed separately.

For more information, go to [nprb.org/goaierp/index.html](http://nprb.org/goaierp/index.html)

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### Quote of the Day

Most ball games are lost, not won.

[Casey Stengel](#)

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