



# LIFE SCIENCE NEWS

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## Announcements

**SKI MASS is Friday at Noon! Gather your teams and costumes and join us at the Ski Hut.**

[Sign up your Ski Mass team now!](#)

We still need volunteers to help timekeep and judges for the costume contest. Please contact Pam Groves at [pgroves@alaska.edu](mailto:pgroves@alaska.edu).

**IAB's Holiday party** will follow SkiMass at 6 p.m. at the Dog Musers Hall on Farmers Loop.

Everyone is welcome. Bring a dish to share!

### NSF announcement!

**Effective in calendar year 2018, The Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO) will implement a "no-deadline," full proposal mechanism.**

If you plan on submitting a proposal to core programs in DEB, IOS, MCB and DBI, there is no deadline. In addition, DEB and IOS are discontinuing use of the preliminary proposal mechanism in 2018.

**There will be no call for preliminary proposals in January 2018.**

See

<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2018/nsf18011/nsf18011.jsp> for more information.

### Seminar Video Available

Last week's Life Science seminar by Mary Ann Lila is now available for viewing on the [Life Science Hour page](#).

## Events and Seminars

### 6 December 2017

• **Thesis Defense: Predatory hymenopteran assemblages in boreal Alaska: associations with forest composition and post-fire succession**  
**Alexandria Wenninger**

B&W/IAB

1:00PM - 2:00PM

Irving I Bldg, rm 201

### 8 December 2017

• **IAB SKI MASS**

**IAB Ski Mass**

12:00PM - 3:00PM

• **Holiday Party**

6:00PM - 9:00PM

## Travel

• **Donie Bret-Harte**, 12/10/17 - 12/16/17, New Orleans, LA, American Geophysical Union Meeting

• **Eugenie Euskirchen**, 12/8/17 - 12/14/17, New Orleans, LA, AGU and NGEE Meeting

• **Helene Genet**, 11/28/17 - 12/14/17, New Orleans, LA, AGU Meeting

• **Roger Ruess**, 12/10/17 - 12/15/17, Attend AGU 2017, New Orleans, LA

• **Stacy Rasmus**, 11/26/17 - 12/4/17, Washington, DC, Present at American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting

• **Todd Brinkman**, 12/10/17 - 12/15/17, New Orleans, LA, AGU Invited Speaker

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Life Science Hour Seminars in the Murie Auditorium, Fridays 3-4 p.m.  
No seminar scheduled this week.

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## IAB in the News

11/29/17: NBC News

[Will Mars colonists snooze their way to the Red Planet?](#)

Kelly Drew

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See the [UAF Cornerstone](http://uaftercornerstone.net/) for more news and events (http://uaftercornerstone.net/).

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### **Today's Quote**

We shall never know all the good that a simple smile can do.

[Mother Teresa](#)