

UGA Entomology Weekly

April 9 – April 13, 2007

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 9

Entomology Seminar, 11:15, 404A BioScience

John Capinera, Entomology & Nematology Department, University of Florida

Invasive Insects: The Source of Our Problems. <http://www.ent.uga.edu/seminars.htm>

8th Annual CURO Symposium, 9:00 – 5:00, Tate Student Center

Nearly 200 undergraduates and their research mentors from UGA and other institutions present their research. Keynote speaker: Prof. Conrad Fink, director of the James M. Cox Jr. Institute for Newspaper Management Studies in UGA's Henry W. Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication.

<http://www.uga.edu/honors/curo/symposium/index.html>

Tuesday, April 10

Ecology Seminar, 4:00, Ecology Auditorium

John Sabo, Arizona State University, *Disturbance, noise color and food chain length in stream ecosystems*

Wednesday, April 11

Graduate Student Appreciation Reception, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM. 320 E. Clayton Street, Suite 400 (above Doc Chey's). The Graduate School is hosting a reception to welcome all graduate students to our new location downtown. Stop by for refreshments and a tour. <http://www.grad.uga.edu/>

Extension Entomology Faculty Meeting, 10:00, Byron, GA

Entomology Executive Committee Meeting, 1:30, Byron, GA

Joint Meeting of the Carolinas and Southeast Regional Chapters of Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC). Georgia Center, April 11 - 13

Short-course followed by a welcoming reception. Contact Jay Overmyer jayo@uga.edu

Attendees: Mickey Taylor and Ray Noblet

Thursday, April 12

Sigma Xi Spring Dinner Lecture and Banquet, 6:00, UGA Visitor's Center

Linda Parsons will present *Drug Resistance in Tuberculosis*

Off Campus Lecture, Joe McHugh, April 12-13

University of Florida, Department of Entomology and Nematology, *Resolving Taxonomic Chaos in a Large Group of Little Brown Beetles*

Friday, April 13

Athens Entomology Faculty Meeting, 9:00, 412A BioScience

The Role of University Researchers in National Security Conference

8:30 AM - 12:30, Complex Carbohydrate Research Center Auditorium

Sponsored by OVPR, OIE and the Office of Security and Emergency Preparedness. Discussion of data theft prevention, illegal transfer of intellectual property, export control laws governing faculty research collaboration, and research activity compliance with export control laws.

University Council Faculty Admissions Committee Meeting, 2:00 PM. 227 Terrell Hall

HONORS AND AWARDS

Julio Castillo, a Ph.D. student in Mike Strand's Lab was selected and awarded funds to participate in the International Course, Biology of Disease Vectors, to be held in Manaus (Amazon, Brazil) from June 3-16, 2007. The Course is sponsored by The Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (Brazil), UNICEF-UNDP-World Bank-WHO Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases and by other Brazilian Government agencies. The course is intended for scientists newly recruited into the field from areas such as molecular biology, molecular genetics, biochemistry, etc. and for those with more conventional training in vector-borne diseases. The BDV course provides a common background and conceptual framework for developing a new generation of researchers worldwide who can apply modern molecular and quantitative approaches to the study and control of disease vectors. Thirty-five students were selected to participate from a pool of more than 150 applicants from 40 countries. For more information visit: http://jhmmi.jhsph.edu/biology_course/FrameFormH.cfm

H.O. Lund Week Awards 2007

Interpretative Art

Honorable Mention: "Insect #5" by Gina Angelella

1st: "Silhouette" by Andrea Pruijssers

Photo Salon

1st: "Waiting for prey!" by Nathan Lord

1st: "I'm watching you" by Shimat Villanassery

Poster Competition

Honorable Mention: James Robertson

"A preliminary phylogenetic analysis of the Cerylonid Series (Coleoptera: Cucujoidea)".

1st: Adriano Giorgi

A phylogenetic analysis of the lady beetles (Coccinellidae: Coleoptera) based on molecular data.

Oral Competition

Honorable Mention: Aubree Roche, *Reservoir Competence of Darkling Beetles (Tenebrionidae: Alphitobius diaperinus) for inoculated Salmonella*

1st: Floyd Shockley, *Molecular Phylogeny of the Handsome Fungus Beetles (Coleoptera: Endomychidae): Who's Handsome and Who's Not?*

H.O. Lund Outstanding Masters Student - Shakunthala Nair

H.O. Lund Outstanding Masters Student Department Outreach and Service - Grant Howell

H.O. Lund Outstanding Ph.D. Student - Adriano Giorgi

H.O. Lund Outstanding Ph.D. Student Department Outreach and Service - Marianne Robinette

The UGA Linnaean Team, consisting of Jaime Fuest, Aubree Roche, Paul Smith, Andy Nuss (captain) and Nathan Lord (alternate), represented UGA Entomology well in the Southeastern Branch ESA competition, losing in a squeaker to perennial champs NC State by only 5 points.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Gaines Elementary School, 1st – 5th Grade, Wednesday, April 11, 12:30-2:30

Barnett Shoals Elementary, Pre-K – 5th Grade, Thursday, April 12, 8:00-11:00

If you would like to volunteer for these outreaches contact Marianne Robinette entomolo@uga.edu

LANGUAGE & ARTS

Entomology

Haikus are very cool but

Often overlooked

Why don't anteaters get sick?

Because they are full of antibodies

What goes "Hum Choo, Hum Choo"?

A bee with a cold

Submit your jokes, haikus, short stories, art, poetry or photos [HERE!](#)

CLASSIFIEDS

Seeking graduate students to feature in the *Entomology Outreach Magazine*. Contact Aubrey Smith aubreys@uga.edu

Post available student worker positions, internships, or undergraduate research opportunities [HERE!](#)

Email submissions for Entomology Weekly to entomolo@uga.edu by 12pm on Fridays.