

Toni Ziegler - Executive Secretary September 2003 Volume 27, Number 3

A Message from the President...



Since this ASP Bulletin is chock full of reports from the annual meeting and highlights of upcoming events and opportunities, I'll make my

essay short. I must begin, however, by acknowledging the hard work and dedication of two long-time ASP members who together put together one of the best meetings in recent history. Jim Paterson served as Local Host extraordinaire, and provided us with a tremendous venue for the social and scientific aspects of our gathering. My special thanks go to Jim, his colleagues at U Calgary, and the host of dedicated student workers who made the meeting run so smoothly. Thanks guys! Secondly, we should all acknowledge the innovative and high quality scientific program that Marilyn Norconk and her Program Committee

provided us with this year. The Keynote Speakers highlighted the breadth and diversity of our Society, and the contributed papers and posters convinced many that the state of science on primates is excellent. My personal thanks to all who helped make the meeting a great success. One final point about the meeting and our Society's contributions to primate conservation. The Conservation Committee recommended, and the ASP Board of Directors approved, 11 Conservation Grants at this year's meeting. The ASP has now funded over



Poster Winner: J. A. Henderson

100 conservation projects all over the world, with approximately half of the awards going to scientists and students in "countries of origin". We should be proud of our support of conservation efforts, and I encourage you to continue to support these important efforts with your donations.

Many, if not all, of you are aware of changes in the Editorship of the Society's journal, the American Journal of **Primatology**. Mike Andrews served as the journal's editor for 4 years, and provided tremendous service to the Society by taking on the Editorship in a difficult transition period. I join all ASP members in extending a hearty and grateful "Thanks!" to Mike for his service on behalf of the Society. Melinda Novak and Randy Kyes are currently serving

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Paper Winner: J. A. Parga

Poster Honorable Mention: A. Rivera

ASP Education Committee's Student Prize Award Winners!

Each year at the meetings, the Education Committee picks the best of the papers and posters. This year the Committee consisted of: Cory Ross, Sarah Martinez, Jennifer Burns, Matt Hoffman, Matt Novak, Susan Lambeth, Kimran Miller, Vicki Bentley-Condit, Amy Levine, Leanne Nash, Tara Stonski, Nancy Klepper-Kilgore, Karen Hambright, Melanie Schwandt. Of the outstanding submissions the following were selected.

Paper Winner: J. A. Parga.

Male mate choice in ringtailed lemurs (Lemur catta): The relationship between male mating effort and female reproductive potential.

Poster Winner: J. A. Henderson, and C.A. Shively.

Oral contraceptive treatment altered aggression and the serotonergic system in female cynomolgus monkeys.

Paper Honorable Mention: E.V. Lonsdorf.

Development of termite-fishing behavior in the Gombe chimpanzees.

Poster Honorable Mention: N.A. Debolt, and P.G. Judge.

Reconciliation and relationship strength among captive hamadryas baboons (Papio hamadryas hamadryas).

Poster Honorable Mention:

A. Rivera and S. Calme El Colegio de la Frontera Sur. Feeding ecology of the black howler monkey (Alouatta pigra) in Calakmul, Mexico.



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2003 ASP GRANT AWARDS

The Research & Development Committee Awarded the following Small Research Grants

- Jen Le Clair Consortships, coalitions, and "Following" Behavior in Male Olive Baboons —\$1500
- Michael Muehlenbein Physiological Associations with Intestinal Parasitemia in Chimpanzees at Kibale, Uganda – \$1330
- Anne Fowler Vocal Similarity as a Kin Recognition Mechanism \$1110
- Martin Kowalewski Patterns of Subgrouping and Social Affinity in Howler Monkeys: Evidence of Co-operative Strategies Among Unrelated Adult Group Members – \$1450
- Stacey Tecot The Influence of Ecology on Fecal Cortisol Profiles in Red-Bellied Lemurs (Eulemur rubriventer) in Ranomafana National Park, Madagascar — \$1490
- **Jennifer D. Cooper** —Population structure, genetic diversity, and barriers to gene flow in the western lowland gorilla—\$1500
- Elizabeth Balko —Correlating specific vocalizations to matrilines in *Varecia variegata* —\$1460
- Anna Dudek —Vocal communication in western lowland gorillas (Gorilla gorilla gorilla) and mountain gorillas (Gorilla gorilla beringei) —\$1500

The Conservation Committee Awards:

Three American Journal of Primatology subscription Awards were given to the following:

- Dr. Carlos Chena from Panama
- · Dr. Zhaoyuan from China
- · WCS Malaysia Library from Malaysia

Conservation Award (\$750)

· Anderson Bitty from Ivory Coast

Eleven Conservation Small Grants were approved for funding (up to \$1500):

- Katarzyna Nowak "Behavioral flexibility and reproductive output across floristic and disturbance gradients in an endangered primate" Tanzania \$1000
- Patricia Mie Matsuo "Environmental Education as a Tool for Conservation of the Golden Lion Tamarin and the Atlantic Forest" Brazil \$1000
- Adrian Barnett "Diet, habitat choice and the conservation of the Goldenbacked Uacari, Cacajao melanocephalus ouakary, in Jau National Park, Amazonas, Brazil" \$1000
- Luis Morales "Assessing local extinction risk in howler monkeys groups(*Alouatta palliata*) in a highly fragmented landscape in Los Tuxtlas, Veracruz" Mexico \$750
- **Jean Robert Onononga** "Application of the Marked-nest Method to Calculate the Density of Chimpanzees and Gorillas in the Goualougo Triangle, Republic of Congo" \$1270
- Cristina Martins "The Black Lion Tamarin (*Leontopithecus chrysopygus*) as an umbrella species in the conservation of the biodiversity of the Atlantic Rain Forest fragments in the interior of the state of São Paulo" \$750
- Lynne Baker "Conservation Status of the Sclater's Guenon (Cercopithecus sclateri) in Southern Nigeria" \$1000
- Erik Patel "Local Promotion of Silky Sifaka (*Propithecus diadema candidus*) Conservation: Village Presentations in Northeastern Madagascar" \$840
- Marina Cords "KEEP: The Kakamega Environmental Education Program" Kenya \$1000
- Tyler Weldon "Kasokwa Forest Fragment and the Chimpanzees That Call it Home "Uganda \$1000
- Anna Nekaris "Faunal Survey of a Regenerating Lowland Rainforest in Southwestern Sri Lanka, Focussing on the Slender Loris (*Loris tardigradus tardigradus*)" Sri Lanka \$1250

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as Interim Editors of the journal, and a distinguished committee (Jeanne Altmann, Carol Berman, Matt Kessler, Jeff Rogers, and Toni Ziegler) are in the process of searching for a new permanent editor. The ASP Board of Directors, and indeed the entire Society membership, looks forward to seeing the journal publish the best in primate research in all disciplines, and regain its status as the premiere outlet for scientific primatology.

There are two projects that I want to draw to the attention of the membership, and encourage their support in these efforts. First, the Society's historian, Gabe Lubach, is interested in archiving photos from Society meetings on a link with the ASP web page (www.asp.org). I would encourage you to send photos or mpeg movies to Gabe (grlubach@facstaff.wisc.edu) so she can begin the archiving process. Secondly, Kim Phillips and others have inquired about the possibility of constructing an academic "genealogy" of the current ASP members, tracking academic parents, grandparents, second-cousins, etc. This group is in the process of developing a questionnaire, and I think it would be fascinating to examine the academic and intellectual links and patterns of common descent and relatedness among the membership of ASP. When the survey is distributed in the next year, I encourage you to participate in this interesting endeavor in the history of science and our Society.

We are meeting again in about 10 months in Madison, Wisconsin in early June. I know that the Local Hosts and Program Committee are already working on the many projects that go into the meeting, and I would encourage the membership to do their part by submitting symposium proposals and contributed abstracts for the meeting when the Call for Abstracts appears.

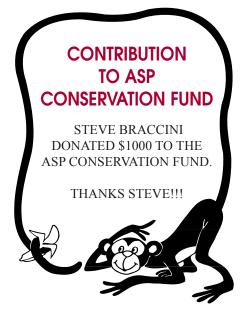
— Jeff French





Would you like one of these wonderful, whimsical Peter Else prints to hang on your wall? This image was featured on the ASP t-shirts at this year's meetings in Calgary and the #1 signed print in the series, beautifully framed, sold for \$300 at the banquet. If you want a print of your own for only \$35 plus shipping, contact Peter Else at pete.else@juno.com or (202)546-9855.

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TUTTLE, AN EXPERT IN PALEOANTHROPOLOGY, RECEIVES MCGRAW-HILL TEACHING HONOR

By Seth Sanders - News Office

Russell Tuttle, Professor in Anthropology, has been awarded the American Anthropological Association/McGraw-Hill Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching.

Tuttle studies the evolution of human and primate morphology, locomotion and other behavior. He also is an expert in paleoanthropology, particularly the evolution of bipedalism and of the human hand, and the history of theories of hominoid evolution and of social prejudice in physical anthropology.

According to the American Anthropological Association, the McGraw Hill Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, was established in 1997 to recognize teachers who have

contributed to and encouraged the study of anthropology. The successful teaching of anthropology is at the core of producing successful anthropologists. By transferring knowledge and encouraging interest and study, the teacher is able to contribute significantly to the increasing success of the field of anthropology.

On receiving the award, Tuttle wrote: "The chief goal of the College ... is to assist students to learn how to think and to be tolerant albeit without suspending criticism of what others might say about topics of common interest. Human evolutionary studies proffer rich material for this communal adventure because definitive answers to most of

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ASP EDUCATION WORKSHOP





K-12 Workshop: There were 21 participants, 9 presenters and 4 ASP participants for the ASP Education Workshop "All About Primates" held at the Calgary Zoo. Participants observed gorillas and analyzed data.

John F. Eisenberg, 68, Leading Expert on Mammals, Dies July 20, 2003

Dr. John F. Eisenberg, whose research and writing on animal behavior, genetics and evolution made him one of the world's foremost experts on mammals, died on July 6 at his home in Bellingham, Wash. He was 68.

The cause was renal cancer, his associates said. Dr. Eisenberg, who taught and studied for years at the National Zoo, the University of Maryland and the University of Florida, began his life's work by trapping and studying rodents as a boy in a Washington mill town.

He never lost his interest in mice and other small creatures, colleagues said, but during a 40-year career, he became an expert in mammals small and large, including the elephants he studied in Sri Lanka.

"He was known as a big thinker, a big-picture person," said Dr. Chris Wemmer, who worked as a graduate student under Dr. Eisenberg and who is now associate director for conservation at the National Zoo. "He was constantly sorting, sifting and parsing bits and pieces of information about the life histories of mammals and putting it all together." Dr. Eisenberg's most influential scholarly work was "The Mammalian Radiations: An Analysis of Trends in Evolution, Adaptation and Behavior," published in 1981 and drawing on many academic disciplines, including ecology, genetics and behavior.

"'The Mammalian Radiations' was strikingly original and recast 230 million years of mammalian evolution in a coherent and well-organized manner," Dr. Bruce D. Patterson of the Field Museum in Chicago said in an e-

mail message. Dr. Eisenberg was also the author of the three-volume "Mammals of the Neotropics" (Kent H. Redford was the co-author on the last two), and wrote more than 150 journal articles on the ecology, behavior and evolution of mammals.



John Frederick Eisenberg was born in Everett, Wash. In a 1983 article, he recalled: "When I was about 10, I read a book that gave instructions on making a live trap using a tin can and a mousetrap. I caught and raised a number of small rodents as a hobby."

He graduated from Washington State University and then earned his master's and doctorate at Berkeley. He took a job at the National Zoo in 1965, and then left in 1982, when he was an assistant director, to teach in Florida. He retired in 2000 and moved back to Washington State.

Dr. Eisenberg's first two marriages ended in divorce. He is survived by his wife, Brenda J. Sigler Eisenberg, and his brother, Tom Eisenberg, of Kamano Island, Wash. He is also survived by five children, Karl Eisenberg of Alachua, Fla.; Elise Forier of Tacoma, Wash.; Jim Lavelle of Tampa, Fla.; Suzanne Cordero of Seattle; and Jennifer Lavelle of Davie, Fla.; and three grandchildren.

— By Eric Nagourney

The New York Times

The Wisconsin Primate Research Center Library Has A New Director!

Let's all welcome Cynthia Robinson to the primate community. Cynthia was the Assistant Director of the Biomedical Library at the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis prior to coming to Wisconsin. Historically,



the Wisconsin Primate Research Center Library has worked to serve the primate community; providing services that benefit all ASP members. With Cynthia's leadership, the library will continue to focus on service. She plans to build on the current services by having the library be the "conduit to accessing information" on primate related fields. The librarians at the Primate Center Library plan to continue improving existing services, maintain and enhance PrimateLit, expand access to Document Delivery and redesign PIN (Primate Info Net). Cynthia says she is "looking forward to meeting ASP members in Madison next summer and wants to thank all who sent their warm welcomes".

NCRR offers predoctoral and postdoctoral training awards

The National Center for Research Resources, the arm of NIH that funds the National Primate Research Centers, offers training opportunities for predoctoral and postdoctoral scientists in laboratory primatology through the Division of Comparative Medicine. The funding mechanism is the familiar F31 (predoctoral) and F32 (postdoctoral) National Research Service Awards, which you can read more about at http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/compmed/cm_rcdtf.asp, The NRSA F32 postdoctoral mechanism is described at http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-03-067.html

NCRR's F32 program is described as follows:

These awards provide postdoctoral fellowships to ensure that an adequate number of well-trained biomedical and behavioral scientists will be available in the future. The DCM supports up to three years of training for NRSA candidates U.S. citizens and noncitizen nationals who possess a degree in veterinary medicine (D.V.M. or V.M.D.), Ph.D. degree, or equivalents, from recognized academic institutions. This training award provides individuals with the knowledge and experience needed to conduct independent research. (For a listing of possible training research areas related to comparative medicine, see Investigator-Initiated Research Grants.) Applicants for these fellowships must arrange their appointments to academic institutions, pursue full-time research activities with the guidance of well-qualified senior experts, and include carefully selected graduate credit courses in their training programs.

The contact person at NCRR is Dr. Franziska Grieder (GriederF@mail.nih.gov).



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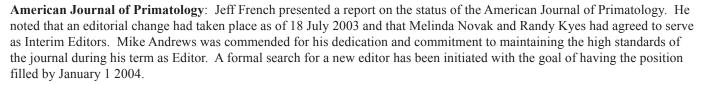
PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

ASP Publication Committee Members (2002-2004)

Melinda Novak (Co-Chair), Randy Kyes (Co-Chair), Lynn Fairbanks, Matthew Jorgensen, Mark Laudenslager, Bernadette Marriott, Bill Mason, Russ Tuttle

Present: Melinda Novak (Co-Chair), Randy Kyes, (Co-Chair), Lynn Fairbanks, Russ Tuttle, Jeff French (President), John Capitanio (Web Page Editor) and Toni Ziegler (ASP Bulletin Editor)

Reports from the Editors:



ASP Bulletin: Toni Ziegler presented a review of the society's newsletter. She raised the issue of seeking selected sponsorship for advertising space in the Bulletin (e.g., publishers that have exhibits at the ASP meetings). The committee was in general support of the idea and recommended to the Board of Directors that this opportunity be given further consideration. It was noted that sponsorship should be granted only to those who support the aims of the society.

ASP Book Series: Janette Wallis submitted a report summarizing the activities of Book Series. The first two books in the series (edited by Wallis and Brent respectively) continue to do very well, with the proceeds from the Wallis book going to the Conservation Fund. The third volume in the series, "Sexual Selection and Reproductive Competition in Primates: New Persectives and Directions," edited by Clara Jones was recently published. The fourth volume, "Commensalism and Conflict: The Primate-Human Interface," edited by Jim Paterson is scheduled for publication later this year. Additional volumes are in preliminary stages of development. The committee praised Janette Wallis for her monumental efforts in editing the series.

ASP Web Page: John Capitanio presented a report summarizing the web page usage over the past year. The data indicate that web page hits continue to increase. In particular, ASP members are using the web page with increasing frequency. Online membership renewals are increasing and online meeting registration continues to be popular. The majority of members also used the web page for online submission of abstracts. The committee recognized Nancy and John Capitanio for their outstanding service in maintaining the society's web page.

ASPe: Since a new editor for ASPe has not yet been appointed, no official report was provided. ASPe remains in the formative stages, and additional work is required before the journal is fully functional. Per the request from last year's committee, John Capitanio presented a report summarizing electronic publication options for ASPe. One possibility discussed involves linking ASPe with BioMed Central (BMC), an organization that manages the publication of electronic journals. BMC currently published more than 30 scientific journals and is a respected publisher of electronic journals. The committee expressed interest in this publication option but recommended to the Board of Directors that the immediate focus and energy be committed to revitalizing AJP and that we would revisit the ASPe/BMC option during next year's meeting.

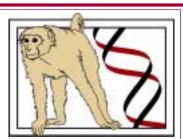
AWARDS AND RECOGNITION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Awards and Recognition Committee

announced one award winner at this year's meeting.

The Committee was delighted to present the **Distinguished Primatologist Award** to **Dr. Donald Lindburg**. Dr. Lindburg is currently at the Center for Reproduction of Endangered Species at the San Diego Zoo, and also on the faculty of San Diego State University. He was a founding member of ASP, as well as President of the Society from 1984-1986. Dr. Lindburg will be asked to present the Distinguished Primatologist's Lecture at next year's ASP meeting in Madison, Wisconsin.

ASP 2004 Madison, Wisconsin June 8 - 12



Call for abstracts and information about the

meeting will begin mid-November, 2003. Next year's on-line and mail-in abstract submission deadline will be January 10, 2004 and the call for symposia and special sessions will be December 10, 2003. Its time to start thinking about next year's presentation!

For immediate release: Media contact: Greg Borzo: 312/665-7106; gborzo@fieldmuseum.org

Centennial Tribute to Louis Leakey

Leakey Foundation in collaboration with Chicago's Field Museum gather an extraordinary group of human-origins experts for conference

CHICAGO – Who are we and where did we come from? In the quest to answer these fundamental questions about human origins, no one has had a greater or more lasting impact than Louis Leakey (1903-1972).

In the 1930s, the patriarch of the renowned fossil-hunting family launched an intensive search for human ancestors in Africa and spearheaded the inter-disciplinary approach to studying the birth and development of the human species.

Now, dozens of the world's leading anthropologists, geologists, biologists and evolutionary scientists – including Meave and Louise Leakey – will mark the 100th anniversary of Louis Leakey's birth at a two-day Centennial Tribute presented by The Leakey Foundation and held at The Field Museum Oct. 10-11. As well as tracing the Leakey legacy, this remarkable weekend will also review the latest discoveries and current thinking in the dynamic field of human origins.

"This two-day meeting will bring together so many leading authorities in the field of human origins that it is definitely the most impressive lineup that I have seen in my entire career," says Robert D. Martin, PhD, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at The Field Museum.""The program will provide a fitting tribute to the outstanding achievements of Louis Leakey and his wife Mary, while at the same time providing a unique overview of current developments across the board. I am delighted that Meave and Louise will be participating to underscore the major contributions made by the entire Leakey family."

In conjunction with the Centennial Tribute, some of the participating scientists will visit Chicago area schools to discuss careers in science, fieldwork, research methods and conservation.

True to Louis Leakey's wideranging approach to studying human origins – which combined his interest and expertise in fossils, art, animal behavior, ethnography and conservation – the Centennial Tribute will gather experts in a variety of fields, including paleoanthropology, archaeology, primatology and evolutionary ecology, that have contributed to discovering what we know about our earliest ancestors.

"There has never been a more dynamic time in the study of human prehistory," says Bob Lasher, Executive Director of the Leakey Foundation. "Dramatic fossil finds, new insights into ape behavior, and DNA analysis are transforming our understanding of what it means to be human. I think Louis Leakey would be just as interested in the questions that remain as those that have been answered."

The Field Museum has long been an international leader in evolutionary biology, paleontology, archaeology and ethnography.

The San Francisco-based Leakey Foundation is the leading private supporter of human origins research worldwide. Named for Louis Leakey, the Foundation has underwritten many seminal studies that inform our knowledge of the human past including the research of Richard Leakey, Jane Goodall, and Dian Fossey. Its mission is to increase scientific knowledge and public understanding of human origins and evolution.

The program is presented with generous support from the Ann and Gordon Getty Foundation, Sofitel Chicago Water Tower, Fluid Inc., Chicago Public Radio, and Robert Mondavi Winery. For more information visit www.leakeyfoun-dation.org; to register call 312/665-7400. Admission for the entire weekend is \$250. Admission for Saturday only is \$35 for members of the Leakey Foundation or The Field Museum; \$40 for nonmembers; and \$35 for students or educators.

All programs take place at The Field Museum, a museum in the Chicago Parks located at 1400 S. Lake Shore Drive. For general museum information, call 312-922-9410 or visit our website at www.fieldmuseum.org.

Program Highlights
• Friday, Oct. 10
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m

- . Behind-the-Scenes Tours:
- Explore The Field Museum in the expert company of curators and staff. (Limited space)
- Highlights Tours: Encounter the timeless treasurers of Field Museum collections on this guided tour.
- Research Roundtables: Join scientific experts as they discuss important issues in human origins research.

6:30 p.m.

• Feature Presentation:

"Discovering our Earliest Ancestors"
Meave and Louise Leakey will reflect
on their experiences as members of
the Leakey family and explore the
implications of their most recent
fossil finds.

8:00 p.m.

- Chairmen's Reception:
 Join The Founders' Council of The
 Field Museum and The Leakey
 Foundation Fellows for a private
 reception with the Leakeys and other
 scientists in historic Stanley Field
 Hall. Hosted by Gordon Getty and
 Marshall Field.
- Saturday, Oct. 11 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
- Presentations:

Survey the course of human evolution with the leading experts of our time. With a nod to the lasting influence of Louis and Mary Leakey, scientists from around the world will share their own news-making discoveries. Guests may choose from an impressive range of illustrated talks, hands-on demonstrations, and other activities that explore such topics as the earliest human technology, migration out of Africa, a Neanderthal's diet, and the evolutionary significance of mothers and grandmothers.



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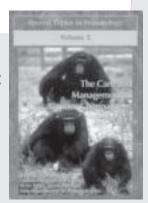
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the questions one may pose about the human career and condition are elusive.

Tuttle found the history of scholarship to be crucial in provoking

analytical insight and independent thought. "I try always to deal with topics historically so students can see the errors of senior scientists and antecedent societies as they try themselves to interpret newly discovered and classic fossils or to judge claims.

"The careers of some highly visible paleoanthropologists contain many positive and negative lessons on how one might construct and conduct a professional career marked by success and integrity." And, he argued, the human dimension is key: "Perhaps most importantly, one must be mindful that one is dealing with whole people, who have diverse individual histories and concerns. Confidence building should be at the forefront of one's goals as a mentor. Students must be treated with dignity and empowered with knowledge and empathetic agency.

Tuttle earned a B.S. from Ohio State University in anatomy and physical anthropology in 1961, an M.A. in anthropology from the same institution in 1962, and a Ph.D. in physical anthropology from the University of California, Berkeley in 1965.

He has taught at Chicago since 1964 and is the author of Apes of the World: Their Social Behavior, Communication, Mentality and Ecology (1986) and editor of The Functional and **Evolutionary Biology of Primates** (1972), among other books.

He also has written many articles, including "Hands from Newt to Napier," "Heel, squat, stand, stride: function and evolution of hominoid feet," and "Fossils, Phylogenies and Feelings." Currently he serves as editorin-chief of the International Journal of Primatology: Progress and Prospects.

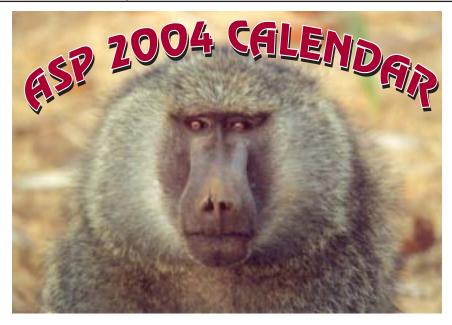
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ASP CONSERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The ASP Conservation Committee had a very productive meeting this year, with most of our attention focused on selecting winners of the awards and grants. Although several were unable to attend the meeting, all committee members contributed reviews and comments for the award nominations and grant proposals. Those attending the conference were: Janette Wallis (Chair), Roger Brumback, Lisa Jones-Engel, Kim Phillips, Sharon Pochron, and Becky Raboy. Those unable to attend were: Tammie Bettinger, Will Gergits, Jason Kamilar, Alecia Lilly, Patrick Mehlman, Richard Nisbett, Felicia Nutter, and Mike Reid. I am very proud to serve with such a hard working group of people and want to thank them for their continued support.

Conservation Awards & Grants

This year, we had **8** nominations for the ASP Conservation Award. This award honors habitat country residents who show outstanding dedication to the conservation of primates. Selecting just one winner from such an impressive slate of nominees was a very difficult task! The winner of the 2003 ASP Conservation Award is Mr. Anderson Bitty, of Ivory Coast. Nominated by Dr. Scott McGraw, Anderson has worked tirelessly to study and protect the monkeys of the Tai Forest. Plans for an award ceremony are underway. We will provide photographs and a feature article about Anderson in an upcoming issue of the *ASP Bulletin*.

We awarded three new subscription awards for the *American Journal of Primatologists*. These awards are given to habitat country primatologists who share the journal with students and other researchers in their institution or field site. We received 39 applications for ASP Conservation Small Grants. The determination of the winners was a very difficult process as we had many excellent proposals to review. In the end, we awarded 11 grants, totaling \$10,860. Progress Reports from these projects will appear in future issues of the *ASP Bulletin*. Please see the list on this page for the names of the award winners and grant recipients. Congratulations to all!

Conservation Silent Auction

The Annual ASP Conservation Silent Auction was once again a major success – both as a fund-raiser and as a centerpiece for between-sessions socializing. I want to thank everyone who participated, including all who contributed auction items (this year's selections were terrific) and all who placed bids. Your competitive spirit led to some exciting bidding wars on several items. Conservation Committee member, Lisa Jones-Engel, oversaw the auction this year. Lisa and I want to thank local helpers Sarah Jayrawi-Martinez, Sandy Paterson, and Courteney Sendall for their very hard work in keeping the auction items organized and helping the process run smoothly. They were assisted by Sarah Marteinson, Amanda Melen, Naomi Cohen, Julie Skelly, Jenn Langejans, and Laura Collin.

As mentioned, the Silent Auction was a success and, during the banquet, we raised additional funds through the "truth or dare" challenge and by passing the donation box. Special thanks to Evan Zucker, Sian Evans, and Ruth Snyder for passing the box. In total, we raised" \$6,503.19 for the ASP Conservation Fund at this year's meeting!

Future Fund-Raising

The Annual Silent Auction is only one of many ways the ASP raises money for its Conservation Fund. Members are encouraged to make Conservation Fund donations when you pay your dues, consider year-end (taxable) donations during the holidays, and purchase ASP-sponsored items that may benefit the Conservation Fund. For example, some of the ASP Book Series volumes have the Conservation Fund as the designated beneficiary and a portion of the sales from this year's ASP Calendar will go to the Fund. Also, during the coming year, the Conservation Committee will be developing additional merchandise that will serve both as fund-raisers and educational tools. Please be alert to the availability of these items and remember that your purchase serves as a donation to primate conservation. As you can see in the list of this year's award winners and grant recipients, the money is well spent. Primate conservation depends on YOU.

— Janette Wallis, ASP Conservation Committee Chair.

HUMAN BIOLOGY: AN EVOLUTIONARY PERSPECTIVE

University of Montpellier II, France • December 1-2-3, 2003

Website (registration and call for presentations): http://www.isem.univ-montp2.fr/GE/meeting_site/human_biology.htm PURPOSE AND SCOPE:

Evolutionary biology is now invading new territories, and numerous scientific areas are experiencing breakthroughs due to reconsideration in an evolutionary perspective. This is particularly true for the scientific study of man: sociology, anthropology, ethnology, medicine, physiology, dietetics, psychiatry, economics, law, politics, theology, etc. What has been achieved so far is probably just the tip of the iceberg, and a major change in the understanding of ourselves and of our social world is probably underway.

This workshop is dedicated to present an up-to-date overview of some of these revisited human topics. It is particularly devoted to scientists and graduate students already familiar with evolutionary biology. It is also addressed to everyone interested by stimulating ideas on human biology and ecology, which are based on firm scientific grounds (Darwinian evolution). Charlotte Faurie, Genetique de l'Adaptation, Universite Montpellier II - CC 065, F 34095 Montpellier cedex 05, France tel: 0 (033) 4.67.14.46.32 • fax: 0 (033) 4.67.14.36.22 • http://www.isem.univ-montp2.fr/GE/Adaptation/FaurieHome.php

MEETING: 21st Annual Symposium on Nonhuman Primate Models

for AIDS

When: October 22-25, 2003

Where: Bell Harbor International Conference Center, Seattle, WA Host: Washington National Primate Research Center (WaNPRC)

Sponsor(s): National Institutes of Health (NIH)

National Center for Research Resources (NCRR)

National Cancer Institute (NCI)

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

(NIAID)

Office of AIDS Research (OAR), Ballard Sheet Metal Works,

Beckman Coulter, Bio-Rad Laboratories, Caltag

Laboratories, Corixa Corporation, The Lasker Foundation,

Merck Research Laboratories, Purina Mills, LLC

FOCUS:

The global public health impact of HIV/AIDS and important advances in AIDS-related research being conducted at primate research facilities dictate the need for periodic opportunities to exchange information, data and ideas. The principal objective of this symposium is to serve as a scientific forum for the dissemination and exchange of new research findings, ideas and directions by an international group of scientists whose research focuses on the study of experimental immunodeficiency virus infections in nonhuman primates.

Abstract Deadline: July 25, 2003 (Passed), Hotel Deadline: Sept. 22, 2003, Early Reg. Deadline: Sept. 30, 2003, Reg. Cancellation Deadline: Oct. 1, 2003

Contact Information: Phone: (206) 543-0909, FAX: (206) 221-2820, E-mail: NHPM2003@bart.rprc.washington.edu, Mailing Address: National Primate Research Center, University of Washington, Box 357331, Seattle, WA 98195, Website: http://www.wanprc.org/NHPM2003/index.htm

FROM THE CHAIR OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

Now that the Calgary meeting is over – and a fine meeting it was! – I would like to express my gratitude to the 2002-03 program committee. I am particularly grateful to Kate Baker who served as program committee Vice Chair for the Calgary meeting and organized the abstract review process. I also thank the committee members for their careful and conscientious review of abstracts: **Doug Cohn, Karin Enstam, Brian Grafton, Richard Harrison, Peter Judge, Chris Kuhar, Larry Mai, Darlene Smucny, Tara Stoinski, and Larry Williams.**

The abstracts of the invited speakers can still be found on-line on the ASP website. I am very grateful to **Linda Fedigan**, **Andrew Hendrickx**, **Suzette Tardif and Amy Vedder**, for sharing their research and personal experiences in their featured talks.

Our meetings are always enriched by people who organize special-topic symposia and workshops. This year, Jim Weed, Kate Baker, Carolyn Crockett, Sue Howell (and the Education Committee), Deborah Overdorff, Corinna Ross, Allyson Bennett, Mary Glenn, Lindsay Magnuson, Mary Pavelka, and Joyce Parga organized sessions that ranged from biomedicine and captive animal enrichment to conservation and ecology. I would also like to thank those who volunteered as session moderators: Carol Berman, Janice Chism, Carolyn Ehardt, Richard Harrison, Shawn Lehman, Larry Mai, Michael Owren, Larry Williams, and Evan Zucker.

I received many compliments about this past meeting, but meetings are only as strong as the contributors, so I also thank all of you who contributed abstracts. More than 90% of you did so on-line, a process made possible by **Nancy Capitanio** who continues to contribute her creativity and expertise to improving

the abstract submission process. I also want to thank the host organizing committee, particularly **Jim Paterson** and the **University of Calgary students**, who donated an untold number of hours of preparation to make the meeting run smoothly.

The 26th annual meeting included the presentation of 104 posters, 99 podium papers, seven symposia and workshops, and four featured talks. It was the strongest meeting in poster submissions in the history of the society and tied for 2nd place in the number of podium papers since 1998. I encourage you to start thinking about prospective symposia, workshops, round-tables, or special poster sessions for the 27th annual meeting of ASP that will take place in Madison, **WI.** Since the Madison meeting will take place in early June, you will receive a call for abstracts and information about the meeting in mid-November, 2003. Next year's on-line and mail-in abstract submission deadline will be January 10, 2004 and the call for symposia and special sessions will be December 10, 2003. Please make sure that your membership dues are up-to-date well before the abstract deadline. I look forward to seeing all of you next year in Wisconsin!

Marilyn Norconk

The National Science Foundation (NSF) offers a two-year postdoctoral research and training fellowship in the social and behavioral sciences primarily for underrepresented minority scientists within four years of receipt of their doctoral degree. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, nationals, or lawfully admitted permanent residents and recipients of the doctoral degree within the past 4 years. The postdoctoral fellowships are designed to permit Fellows to choose a sponsoring scientist and a research and training environment most beneficial to their scientific development. Applications are due the 1st Monday of December. For additional information, see the NSF Program Announcement 00-139 at http://www.nsf.gov/pubsys/ods/ getpub.cfm?nsf00139. The contact for the program is John Perhonis (jperhoni@nsf.gov) (703-292-7279).

Minutes from the ASP Executive Committee Meeting"– 2003

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. on July 31 2003 by President Jeff French at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Primatologists, Calgary, Canada. Attending: Jeff French, John Capitanio, Steve Schapiro, Toni Ziegler, Evan Zucker, Janette Wallis, Randy Kyes, Melinda Novak, Gabe Lubach, Dee Higley, Marilyn Norconk, Sue Howell.

Jeff opened the meeting by requesting the standing committees to make their reports, recommendations and motions to BOD. The first order of business was to approve the minutes from the Executive Committee, Board of Directors, and Business meeting from June 2, 2002 as put in the ASP Bulletin. The minutes were approved.

Standing Committee Chairs gave the following reports: Treasurer's Report The transition from Steve Schapiro to Evan Zucker as treasurer was smooth. Steve was still involved in the financial aspects of ASP in the initial part of the vear. Steve and Evan reported that the finances for 2002-2003, ending on May 31, 2003 were \$242,898.27. These sums compared well with the previous year; we had \$8400 more than last year. At present the general fund balance is \$134,173, the conservation fund balance is \$102,047 and the Watts Fellowship fund balance is \$6,577. Last year's ASP meeting in Oklahoma City, hosted by Janette Wallis, lost \$17,000.

Membership and Finance Committee Report – Committee members attending: Evan Zucker (Chair), Mike Jurke, Marsha Fernandez, Kay Izard, Susan Gibson, Rebecca Lewis, Jean Turnquist, Charles Menzel, and Kathy Bentson.

Evan presented the Membership and Finance Committee Report. The Committee announced we have 656 members for 2002, 588 full memberships, 219 student and retiring. There has been a 10% decrease in membership this year. For 2003, the membership is expected to increase again. The Committee recommended the following to the Board of Directors:

- For online membership renewal, we need to encourage members to renew their membership at least five days before registering for a meeting. This ensures membership price for meetings registration.
- Second notices will be sent out to encourage membership renewals.
- ASP Book series: Volume 1 made money for the society, Volume 2 is close to breaking even, Volume 3 has just been released, and Volume 4 is still in press.

Publications Committee Report – Committee members attending: Melinda Novak (Co-Chair), Randy Kyes (Co-Chair), Lynn Fairbanks, Russ Tuttle, Jeff French (President), John Capitanio (Web Page Editor) and Toni Ziegler (ASP Bulletin Editor).

Reports from the Editors:

- American Journal of Primatology: Jeff French presented a report on the status of the American Journal of Primatology. He noted that an editorial change had taken place as of 18 July 2003 and that Melinda Novak and Randy Kyes had agreed to serve as Interim Editors. Mike Andrews was commended for his dedication and commitment to maintaining the high standards of the journal during his term as Editor. A formal search for a new editor has been initiated with the goal of having the position filled by January 1 2004.
- presented a review of the society's newsletter. She raised the issue of seeking selected sponsorship for advertising space in the Bulletin (e.g., publishers that have exhibits at the ASP meetings). The committee was in general support of the idea and recommended to the Board of Directors that this opportunity be given further consideration. It was noted that sponsorship should be granted only to those who support the aims of the society.
- ASP Book Series: Janette Wallis submitted a report summarizing the activities of Book Series. The first two books in the series (edited by Wallis and Brent respectively) continue to do very well, with the proceeds from the Wallis book going to the Conservation Fund. The third volume in the series,

- "Sexual Selection and Reproductive Competition in Primates: New Perspectives and Directions," edited by Clara Jones was recently published. The fourth volume, "Communalism and Conflict: The Primate-Human Interface," edited by Jim Paterson is scheduled for publication later this year. Additional volumes are in preliminary stages of development. The committee praised Janette Wallis for her monumental efforts in editing the series.
- ASP Web Page: John Capitanio presented a report summarizing the web page usage over the past year. The data indicate that web page hits continue to increase. In particular, ASP members are using the web page with increasing frequency. Online membership renewals are increasing and online meeting registration continues to be popular. The majority of members also used the web page for online submission of abstracts. The committee recognized Nancy and John Capitanio for their outstanding service in maintaining the society's web page.
- **ASPe**: Since a new editor for ASPe has not yet been appointed, no official report was provided. ASPe remains in the formative stages, and additional work is required before the journal is fully functional. Per the request from last year's committee, John Capitanio presented a report summarizing electronic publication options for ASPe. One possibility discussed involves linking ASPe with BioMed Central (BMC), an organization that manages the publication of electronic journals. BMC currently published more than 30 scientific journals and is a respected publisher of electronic journals. The committee expressed interest in this publication option but recommended to the Board of Directors that the immediate focus and energy be committed to revitalizing AJP and that we would revisit the ASPe/BMC option during next year's meeting.

Research & Development Committee Report – Committee members attending: Dee Higley (Chair),

The Committee recommended the initiation of a minority travel award or research award based on amount the society could contribute. The travel awards could be made to members in other countries or to U.S. citizens who are ethnic.

The Committee evaluated grant proposals and selected eight for funding out of the 21 applications. Although the Committee thought the submitted proposals were excellent, they did note that none of the proposals were labbased; all were concerning fieldwork. The committee recommended announcing the grant funding in other Journals such as Animal Behaviour and American Journal of Physical Anthropology. The following is a list of the names and amounts granted: Jen Le Clair \$1500, Michael Muehlenbein \$1330, Anne Fowler \$1110, Martin Kowalewski \$1450, Stacey Tecot \$1490, Jennifer D. Cooper \$1500. Elizabeth Balko \$1460, Anna Dudek \$1500. The Committee made the recommendation that all the grant proposals should be submitted online so as to make the distribution of the grants for reviewers easier. Additionally, two of the proposals this year were without a sponsor. It was therefore recommended that the Society indicate the need for a sponsor on the application form. Specific criteria were discussed for evaluating future proposals: merit, funding priorities, impact, possibility of project occurring with out ASP funding, other country involvement, how many other funding sources have been applied, no funds used for institutional structure.

The Committee also discussed the possibility of a rotating fellowship in primatology where students would train at different laboratories across the country in biomedical related primatology.

Conservation Committee Report'– Committee members attending: Janette Wallis (Chair), Roger Brumback, Lisa Jones-Engel, Kim Phillips, Sharon Pochron, and Becky Raboy.

The Committee selected the winner of the **2003 ASP Conservation Award** as Mr. Anderson Bitty, of Ivory Coast. Mr. Bitty has shown outstanding dedication to the conservation of primates. The Committee awarded three new subscription awards for the *American Journal of Primatologists*. These awards

are given to habitat country primatologists who share the journal with students and other researchers in their institution or field site. The Conservation Committee received 39 applications for ASP Conservation Small Grants. Eleven grants were awarded totaling \$10,860. The Annual ASP Conservation Silent Auction was a major success as a fundraiser netting \$6,503.19 for the ASP Conservation Fund at this years meeting. The Committee raised the suggestion of additional methods for fund-raising and will develop these in greater detail in the coming months. **Education Committee Report –** Committee members attending: Sue Howell (Chair), Cory Ross, Sarah Martinez, Jennifer Burns, Matt Hoffman, Matt Novak, Susan Lambeth, Kimran Miller, Vicki Bentley-Condit, Amy Levine, Leanne Nash, Tara Stonski, Nancy Klepper-Kilgore, Karen Hambright, Melanie Schwandt. Absent: Deborah Overdorff, Bob Lessnau. ASP Student Poster and Paper Competition: Competition Guidelines were provided to each the Committee members. There were no suggested changes to the guidelines. It was suggested that we request other contributions (book certificates) to accompany the prizes and include those with honorable mention awards. The Committee suggested increasing the prize amount from \$100 to \$200 per winner.

The Committee also acknowledged receipt of the judging selections. With a total of 36 student presentations (16 papers, 18 posters), two members of the Committee present at the meeting were assigned to judge each poster presentation. No paper or poster was judged by someone where a conflict of interest was known or perceived. The Committee suggested that there be time after the last session to meet and determine the winners prior to reporting to the Executive Committee. The Committee reported on their Education Committee Activities (2003) K-12 Workshop: There were 21 participants, 9 presenters and 4 ASP participants. The Committee suggested materials be made available on the web and a similar Workshop be considered for the 2004 meeting in Wisconsin. Softball Game: The softball game will continue as long as there is interest. It was suggested that we be completely assured that we have a lighted field

prior to scheduling. Surviving Grad School Workshop: the workshop was successful with 21 participants and a panel of 6 discussants.

Education Committee proposes the continuation of the K - 12 Teachers Workshop to the meetings in Madison, (Wisconsin, 2004). The K-12 Teachers workshop will continue if there is sufficient local interest. Matt Hoffman will check with the local zoo and provide contact information. The Milwaukee County Zoo is a likely place to peruse the workshop due to its large and adequate facilities. Unfortunately, this would include a lengthy commute for participants. Matt will also look into transportation opportunities. The Madison Zoo is also being considered. The Committee suggested that the "Student Poster/Paper Guidelines" (available on the web) are outdated. The Committee suggested they be reviewed and edited. A sub-committee was formed to do the editing: Cory Ross, Amy Levine, Melanie Schwandt, Kimran Miller, Susan Lambeth, Jennifer Burns.

Program Committee Report -

Marilyn Norconk (Chair) reported that for the Calgary meetings there were 99 papers given and 144 posters. The amount of posters had increased considerably over previous years. The review process by online submission is greatly improving the process. For each abstracts there were two reviewers and a vice chair. The number of rejections was 5 (about 5%). It was suggested that posters be set up sooner. The Committee suggested we solicit symposia for the Madison meeting. It was suggested that sponsorship be sought for the poster sessions to cover the costs

Suggestions were made for the Madison ASP program. The Committee discussed soliciting for symposium topics. The Committee brought up areas that would be important to include such as: Life cycle/ life span, growth and development and life histories.

Awards and Recognition Committee Report – Gabe Lubach (Chair). Gabe mentioned the award plaque for Andy Hendrix to be given at the banquet. Gabe announced that the next Distinguished Primatologist award would go to Don Lindburgh. The Distinguished Service Award would go to Jackie Pritchard. She mentioned that

there were few nominations for these positions and that we need to ensure participation from the Society. Gabe asked that all Committee Members send their committee documents to her as ASP Historian.

The meeting was ajourned at 7:26.

Minutes from the ASP Board of Directors' Meeting' – 2003

The Board of Directors (BOD) meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm, August 1, 2003 by President Jeff French at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Primatologists, Calgary, Canada. Attending: Jeff French, John Capitanio, Steve Schapiro, Toni Ziegler and Evan Zucker. Jeff called for the appoval of previous minutes from the last Board of Directors' Meeting in Okalahoma City, 2002 as reported in the ASP Bulletin. The minutes were approved. The following recommendations were made.

Recommendation: Over 50% of ASP profit comes from the annual meetings. It was recommended that we notify Madison to attempt to make a profit. Action: Jeff French said he would notify Edi Chan of this situation.

Recommendation: ASP should find a publisher to take over publishing the ASP Book Series. Thereby, the publishers would maket the book in an appropriate manner and most likely sell more books. Action: Jeff French will draft a letter to be sent to selected publishers asking them to consider publishing the remainder of the series.

Recommendation: Send out a second reminder to previous members of ASP to renew their membership. Identify lapsed members today versus the 2000 year's membership. Action: Evan Zucker will send out the second reminder to renew the ASP membership.

Recommendation: Contact book publishers who publish primate-related books to advertise their newest books in the ASP Bulletin. A new ad could appear each quarter. This revenue would reduce the cost of printing and mailing the quarterly ASP Bulletin. Action: Toni Ziegler will draft a letter to be sent to the book publishers inviting them to advertise their books.

Recommendation: The Publication Committee recommended that the ASP web page concerning Research and Development be updated. Action: Dee Higley will look into updating this page. Recommendation: Interim Editor extend invitations to student prize award recipients to submit their reported work to AJP. Action: Jeff French will contact Melinda Novak and Randy Keyes to extend the invitation for the 2003 recipients.

Recommendation: Increase the participation of minorities in primatology. Send an announcement to ASP members concerning hosting a training grant for a minority student. Action: Wait until ASP money has been earmarked for this.

Recommendation: Determine funding opportunities for training future primatologists using the National Primate Research Centers. **Action:** John Capitonio will contact Dr. Jerry Robinson of NCRR to look into fellowship grants.

Recommendation: Dee Higley suggested ASP improve their methods of announcing small grants, modifying the criteria used to judge these grants, and clarifications for the application process. **Action:** The BOD approved Dee Higley to make the appropriate changes.

Recommendation: ASP look into their level of involvement with the Bushmeat Crises and determine where it is going. Action: Steve Schapiro will look into the Bushmeat Crises Task Force, and request information on how ASP financial support is translated into action

Recommendation: BOD increase the amount of money given to student winners of the poster and paper presentations from \$100 to \$200 each. **Action:** Jeff French increased the award to \$200 per student.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45.

Minutes from the ASP Business Meeting - 2003

The business meeting was called to order at 4:30 on August 2, 2003, by President Jeff French at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Primatologists, Calgary, Canada. Jeff welcomed everyone to the business meeting of ASP. Jeff welcomed Jerry Ruppenthal to his 26th consecutive ASP meeting. Jeff recognized Jim Patterson for his superb job of hosting the meetings and the excellent help he had from students at the University of

Calgary. He thanked Marilyn Norconk for the program during the meetings – especially for the key note speakers. Jeff gave the President's Report:

- The Society had given its first Burroughs-Welcome American Society of Primatologists Young Investigator Award to Dr. Karen Bales. She was selected from seven candidates. This award is to assist scientists in the transition from student to postdoctoral.
- ASP was asked to assist in developing the guidelines for AAALAC on regulations.
- ASP has selected two Interim Editors for AJP, Melinda Novak and Randy Kyes.
- The BOD has selected a Search Committee for advising the BOD on selection of a new Editor for AJP. The members of the Search Committee are: Jeanne Altmann, Carol Berman, Matt Kessler, Melinda Novak, Jeff Rogers and Toni Ziegler. The committee is attempting to select an editor during the fall months to replace our interm editors, Melinda Novak and Randy Kyes by the end of December.
- The BOD approved \$5,000 for a minority initiative program. They plan to announce a competition where up to \$5,000 could be presented to develop a program that would increase the number of minorities in primatology.

Treasurer's Report:

Evan Zucker reported on the budget of ASP as of May 31, 2003. The total balance was \$243,000 and details have been presented in the report of the Executive Committee. ASP experienced an 3.6% increase over last years budget. Evan reported a large number of expenses were exected for the coming year and that CDs were cashed to provide money to pay for the Book Series and calendar publishing. Evan reported that ASP needs to increase revenues.

Finance Committee Report: Evan stated that our membership had dropped this year to 588 which is down from last year's 617. Volume 3 of the ASP book series is currently being advertised for sale and Volume 4 will be available for sale soon. The ASP calendars are currently for sale and the money

received will go for both the General and Conservation Fund. **Publication Committee Report:**

There is a need to find a professional publisher for the additional volumes of the ASP bookseries edited by Janette Wallis. The conditions would be a revenue sharing between ASP and the publisher with ASP's profits going for conservation and minority funding.

AJP Report: Melinda Novak and Randy Kyes were thanked for taking over as interim editors of AJP from Mike Andrews. They reported that the manuscript flow has been problematic. A new assurance as been issued that authors will get rapid and fair reviews. Many new manuscripts have already been submitted to Wiley-Liss for publishing since the interim editors took over. Members were encouraged to send their best manuscripts to AJP. The reviews will be completed quickly.

Research and Development Committee: Dee Higely reported the names of the recipients of the small grants (these names are reported on page 3 of the bulletin). Dee stated that all of the grant proposals were for field work with none coming from laboratory primate work. The field work proposals were all of high quality.

Pre and postdoctoral training at National Primate Reserch Centers will be investigated by John Capitonio.

Education Committee: Sue Howell reported that the student competition encompassed 34 presentations: 18 posters and 16 papers. The name of the winners were announced (see page 1 of the bulletin). The preconference workshop for teachers was a big success. There were 21 attending the workshop and the zoo provided a wonderful framework. Sue reported on the ASP softball game played between the "Apes" and the "Monkeys" (no scientific names given). The Apes won by 12 to 8. Randy Kyes supplied equipment. It was decided that the game should be continued in Madison for 2004

Conservation Committee: Janette Wallis reported on the winners for the Conservation Grants. These names are reported on page 3 of the bulletin. The committee reviewed 39 grants of which 12 were awarded a total of \$12,000. The silent auction brought \$4,288.52 for conservation fund. The subscription awards went to three countries:

Malaysia, Panama and China. Mr. Andersen Bitty won the New Investigator Award for \$750.

ASP Historian: Gabe Lubach asked that we set up a historial archives on the website for all information pertaining to information from the ASP committees.

New Business

- John Capitonio will be asking for nominations for ASP Society Officers for the next 2 years.
- Portland Oregon will be the meeting site for the 2005 meetings.
- Southwest National Primate Research Center will be hosting the 2006 meetings in San Antonio, Texas.
- The IPS meetings for 2004 will be held in Turin, Italy August 23-28. Cristina Giacomo presented information about the meetings and indicated that the abstract deadline will be November 30, 2003. The website for the meetings is: www.ips2004.unito.it
- Joe Kemnitz invited ASP members to join him in Madison, Wisconsin for the ASP meetings 2004 hosted by the Nationl Primate Research Center University of Wisconsin— Madison on June 8 12 at the Memorial Union on the UW campus. The ASP softball game is already being planned!

Chuck Southwick asked why membership numbers are so low. Jeff French suggested that mandatory subscriptions to AJP may have affected members with marginal affiliations with the Society. Efforts are being made to highlight and increase the benefits of Society membership and AJP subscription, as well as reducing the cost of membership and subscription. It was further suggested that ASP target the National Primate Centers and primate veterinarians.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30.

ASP Education Committee Meeting Minutes - 7/30/03

In Attendance: Cory Ross, Sarah Martinez, Jennifer Burns, Matt Hoffman, Matt Novak, Susan Lambeth, Kimran Miller, Vicki Bentley-Condit, Amy Levine, Leanne Nash, Tara Stonski, Nancy Klepper-Kilgore, Karen Hambright, Melanie Schwandt. Absent: Deborah Overdorff, Bob Lessnau

ASP Student Poster and Paper Competition: Competition Guidelines were provided to each the ASP EC members. There were no suggested changes to the guidelines. It was suggested that we request other contributions (book certificates) to accompany the prizes and include those with honorable mention awards. Matt Hoffman suggested the Chair contact Andrea at Klewer Press [Follow-up: Sue Howell did speak with Andrea and she is more than willing to provide these for next year. In addition, Jeff French and the ASP Board have increased the prize money from \$100 to \$200 for each paper/poster winner.]

The Committee also acknowledged receipt of their judging selections. With a total of 36 student presentations (18 papers, 18 posters), two members of the Committee present at the meeting were assigned to judge each power/presentation. No paper or poster was judged by someone where a conflict of interest was known or perceived.

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4. Education Committee Activities Proposed (Wisconsin 2004).

The K-12 Teachers workshop will continue if there is sufficient local interest. Matt Hoffman will check with the local zoo and provide contact information. We will likely do it at the Milwaukee County Zoo as it is larger and has adequate facilities. However, it will mean a lengthy commute for participants. Matt will also look into transportation opportunities. The "Surviving Graduate School" workshop will not be held next year. Instead we will provide a "teaching primatology" work-shop that will be developed across the next year. A student 'Mixer' was suggested and it was decided that we would not hold or sponsor. It is the

feeling of the Committee that the students should integrate with the membership and not set themselves apart with such an event.

5. Other Items:

Student Poster/Paper Guidelines (available on the web) are outdated. The Committee suggested they be reviewed and edited. A sub-committee was formed to do the editing: Cory

Ross, Amy Levine, Melanie Schwandt, Kimran Miller, Susan Lambeth, Jennifer Burns. Sue Howell will send to all as an attached Word file.

Employment Opportunities in Primatology and Related Fields

Faculty Position, Duke University, BEHAVIORAL NEUROSCIENCE

The Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences at Duke University invites applications for an open-rank position in Behavioral Neuroscience (tenured or tenure-track) to begin September, 2004. We seek outstanding applicants with interdisciplinary research programs aimed at understanding the mechanisms of behavior. We are particularly interested in applicants whose research combines state-of-the-art neuroscience and/or molecular genetic approaches with developmental or neuroendocrine aspects of cognition and motivation. First-class facilities for the study of brain-behavior relations in small animals are available in Duke's new Genome Science Research Building II, which houses the department's faculty in Behavioral Neuroscience and Genomics. Faculty responsibilities include undergraduate and graduate teaching, as well as the development of a nationally recognized research program. Applications should include a curriculum vitae, a statement of research and teaching interests, letters of recommendation (junior candidates) or names of referees (senior candidates), and selected publications. Mail applications to: Chair, Behavioral Neuroscience Search Committee, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, 9 Flowers Drive, Box 90086, Duke University, Durham, NC 27708. Applications received by December 1 will be guaranteed consideration. Duke University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. For more information: http:/ /www.-pbs.duke.edu Contact: Warren Meck Email: meck@psych.duke.edu

Position Category: Professional Title of Position: CLINICAL VETERINARIAN

Hiring Organization: LABS of Virginia, Inc., 95 Castle Hall Road, PO

Box 557, Yemassee, SC, USA. Position Description: Entry-level primate veterinarian wanted to provide clinical care for captive breeding and research colony. Must be experienced with nonhuman primates and must obtain licensure to practice veterinary medicine in the state of South Carolina within first three months of employment. LABS is located half-way between Charleston SC and Savannah GA in a rural southern setting. Qualifications: DVM degree and eligibility for SC state licensure. TB and drug screening required. Salary/ **funding:** To be determined. Benefits package available. Term of Appointment: open Application Deadline: until filled Comments: Please send resume and cover letter via fax or e-mail attachment Contact Information: Dr. Greg Westergaard, LABS of Virginia, Inc., 95 Castle Hall Road, PO Box 557, Yemassee, SC 29945 USA, Fax number: 843-589-5290, E-mail address: gwprimate-@netscape.net

Position Category: Professional Title of Position: INSTRUCTOR, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY AND SOCIAL

Behavior, Section of EcologyHiring Organization: Kyoto University Primate Research Institute, Street Address: 41-2 Kanrin, Inuyama, Aichi Prefecture, Japan

Position Description: Primate
Research Institute, Kyoto University
(KUPRI) is seeking to appoint a
suitable candidate to the position of
Instructor, in the Ecology Section,
Department of Ecology and Social
Behavior. The Ecology Section aims to
elucidate the ecology and social
behavior of great apes and other
primates from the perspectives of their
ecology, sociology and mechanisms of
adaptation. The successful candidate
will be expected to promote the study of
primates from a broad perspective, to

help in teaching and supervision of graduate students and post-docs, and to contribute to the administration of the institute. Please see http:// www.pri.kyoto-u.ac.jp/index.html, "New Job Postings" for details Qualifications: PhD and an outstanding research record. Fluency in Japanese is required, as the successful candidate will be expected to fully participate in faculty meetings and other administrative matters conducted in Japanese and to lecture graduate students in English and or Japanese. **Salary/funding:** Based on government standards calculated from previous career experience. Term of **Appointment:** Tenure track **Application Deadline:** December 19, 2004, Contact Information: Hideyuki OHSAWA or Akio MORI, Primate Research Institute, Kyoto University, 41-2 Kanrin, Inuyama, Aichi Prefecture, 484-8506, **Telephone number**: +81-568-63-0567, Fax number: +81-568-63-0564

Position Category: Professional Title of Position: RESEARCH DIRECTOR

Hiring Organization: Primate Foundation of Arizona, Street Address: P.O. Box 20027, Mesa, AZ 85277-0027, USA, Position Description: The Primate Foundation of Arizona (PFA) is a biomedical research institution, federally funded through M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, University of Texas, Bastrop. We are recruiting a Research Director to manage PFAs research program that is focused on captive chimpanzee (Pan troglodytes) management, psychological well-being and environmental enrichment. PFA maintains a colony of 74 chimpanzees that are socially housed in an enriched indoor/outdoor caging environment. The PFA psychological well-being program is dynamic and includes the provision of environmental enrichment to encourage species-typical behavior

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patterns, daily behavioral assessment of all colony animals, and continued scientific study to improve captive management. PFAs educational programs include public outreach, K-12 community education, undergraduate and graduate internship programs designed to provide an introduction to chimpanzee behavior, research methods, and environmental enrichment training. The Research Director directs the above continuing programs and is responsible for design of new studies, grant and manuscript writing. In addition, the Research Director acts as the PFA staff liaison to the PFA Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, presents reports at each IACUC meeting, and is responsible for recognition and knowledge of all regulations pertaining to primate research. Qualifications: Ph.D. in anthropology, psychology, or zoology with concen-tration in primate behavior. At least two years postdoctoral experience, primate behavioral research expertise, and management experience is required. Experience in data management and analysis of large, longitudinal databases is essential. Excellent communication and organizational skills and knowledge of data collection, computer management, and statistical analyses methods is required. Knowledge of IACUC protocol and regulations regarding the are and use of nonhuman primates in research is preferred. Salary/funding: EOE Employer. Excellent Benefits. **Term of Appointment:** Indefinite, **Application** Deadline: Open until filled. Contact **Information:** Jo Fritz, Primate Foundation of Arizona, P.O. Box 20027, Mesa, AZ, USA, 85277-0027, **Telephone number:** (480) 832-3780, Fax number: (480) 830-7039, E-mail address: jopfa@qwest.net

FACULTY LEVEL POSITION – COMPARATIVE MEDICINE

The Department of Comparative Medicine is recruiting a behavioral scientist to direct an environmental enrichment program and conduct behavioral research for the Southwest National Primate Research Center at Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research. We maintain about 6000 nonhuman primates as well as rabbits, rodents and other small animals. The enrichment program involves supervision of four research assistants

and coordination of the program with investigators, veterinarians, technicians, animal care staff, as well as the IACUC. Responsibilities include: setting goals and direction for program, ensuring compliance with applicable regulations and policy, producing reports on progress and updating program plan, oversight of budget and analysis of time expenditure, training animal care staff, and writing standard operating procedures. Individual will also spend substantial time planning and conducting behavioral studies (including data collection, summarization, analysis and manuscript preparation) in the area of applied behavioral primatology and/ or other areas of interest, and to support investigator's projects. The position will report to the Chair, Department of Comparative Medicine.

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE/

SKILLS: Ph.D. in anthropology, psychology, zoology or related degree with concentration on animal behavior required. Two years post-doctoral experience, management experience, and behavioral research experience required. Experience managing an environmental enrichment program, behavioral research on nonhuman primates, and positive reinforcement training preferred. Excellent communication skills, good organizational skills, knowledge of behavioral data collection utilizing computers and statistics required. Knowledge of regulations regarding the care of nonhuman primates preferred.

may involve potential exposure to infectious agents such as hepatitis B, C, and HIV and Herpes B. The work will involve laboratory animals such as baboons, chimpanzees, marmosets, rhesus, cynomolgus, other macaques, mice, rats, guinea pigs, rabbits, and South American opossum. Participation in a medical monitoring and surveillance program is required. Immunization for hepatitis B is required unless waived by the employee. Safety training, equipment, clothing, and supplies will be provided.

OTHER: This is a full-time salaried (exempt) position. The Foundation business hours are Mondays through Fridays – 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Please submit CV with letter of interest and contact details of three

references to Director of Human Resources (03-037), POB 760549, San Antonio, Texas 78245-0549. Please provide expendable copies of any documents you submit. www.sfbr.org.

FIELD ASSISTANT

Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, , Inselstr. 22 D-04103 Leipzig, Germany Field assistant for ongoing, long-term study of white-faced capuchins at Lomas Barbudal Biological Reserve, Costa Rica. Assistants will (1) collect focal animal data on immature monkeys, focusing on social development, foraging techniques, and vocal development, (2) carry out group scans of all troop members. (3) make audio recordings of vocalizations and (4) conduct playback experiments. Assistants will conduct dawn-to-dusk observations two out of every three days and work on data transcription and computer data entry every third day. (There is a monthly 5-day vacation). The terrain is very difficult (cliffs, rivers, dense vegetation). Before applying, please read the "Guide to Fieldwork at Lomas Barbudal," available from the web page of the Cultural Phylogeny Group, MPI-EVAN: www.eva.mpg.de/phylogen. Click on "Positions Available. Qualifications: At least one course in primate behavior or animal behavior, Field biology experience preferred, Basic knowledge of Spanish preferred, Experience living or traveling in the tropics preferred. Experience in group living situations preferred. Salary/funding: Small monthly stipend. Support provided for internship/volunteer positions (travel, meals, lodging): Round-trip transportation from your home country (up to a specified maximum amount) paid contingent on completing the 12month term of appointment. Room and board provided while at the field site. Term of Appointment: 12 months. Application Deadline: None. Applications always welcome. Comments: Please see the Cultural Phylogeny Group, MPI-EVAN website (www.eva.mpg.de/phylogen) and click on "Positions Available" for complete instructions on how to apply for this position. Contact Information: Susan Perry & Joseph Manson, Planck

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Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Inselstr. 22, Leipzig, Germany D-04103, Telephone number: +49 (0) 341-9952-258, Fax number: +49 (0) 341-9952-119, E-mail address: perry@eva.mpg.de

ANIMAL CARE/LABORATORY TECH POSITIONS

Title of Position: Various Technician and Research Associate Jobs Hiring Organization: California National Primate Research Center, Rd 98 & Hutchinson, Davis, CA 95616 U.S.A. Many positions available throughout the year including; Nursery Technicians, Research Associates, Enrichment Technicians, Outdoor Colony Technicians, Indoor Colony Technicians. Please bookmark and check the following website regularly http://hr.ucdavis.edu/emp/eoblist.htm#category8. **Qualifications:** Looking for quality employees with a high level of primate experience/knowledge and a true respect and admiration for nonhuman primates.

ANIMAL CARE/LABORATORY TECH POSITIONS

Title of Position: Primate Environmental Enrichment Spec, Hiring Organization: Tulane National Primate Research Center, 18703 Three Rivers Road, Covington, LA 70433 USA Position Description: Performs tasks relating to the implementatin and maintenance of the environmental enrichment program for nonhuman primates and otherlab animal species as directed by the enrichment program coordinator. Responsible for implementing social introductions and inanimate enrichment techniques, conducting behavioral assessments and interventions, and documenting program activities. Collects behavioral data for research projects and program assessments. Qualifications: BS degree in a related field with two years experience in lab animal medicine or four years experience in lab animal medicine plus certification as an AALAS LAT or six years experience in animal medicine. Previous primate experience and computer skills essential and previous experience in primate enrichment and behavioral data collection preferred. Salary/funding: Minimum annual salary \$25,897

Support provided for internship/volunteer positions (travel, meals, lodging): Term of Appointment:
Permanent fulltime for at least five years. Application Deadline:
September 30, 2003 Contact
Information: Dr. Kate Baker, Tulane
National Primate Research Center,
18703 Three Rivers Road, Covington,
LA 70433, USA, Covington, LA 70433
USA 70433, Telephone number: 985-871-6578 Fax number: 985-893-1352
E-mail address: kate@tpc.tulane.edu

ANIMAL CARE/LABORATORY TECH POSITIONS

Hiring Organization: Primate Rescue Center, Inc., 5087 Danville Road, Nicholasville, KY 40356 USA The PRC is a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue and rehabilitation of apes and monkeys from across the United States. Our 30-acre sanctuary is home to 50+ primates, including chimps and monkeys (mostly macaques). The facility is located in rural Kentucky, 10 miles outside the city of Lexington. Animal caretakers are responsible for enclosure cleaning and upkeep, feeding, enrichment and assisting with minor medical procedures. Since our goal is to socialize all of our residents with compatible members of their own species, we do not have direct physical contact with any of the animals. preferring that their main interactions be with their conspecifics. We are not open to the public. Our organization is extremely dynamic: changing with the seasons and evolving as our animal population ages and new residents are introduced. We are looking for motivated individuals who can constantly evaluate the effectiveness of our procedures and develop creative solutions to any problems that arise. Good communication skills are essential: must be able to work as the member of a team. Basic knowledge of primate behaviors, operant conditioning and enrichment a plus. Must be able to lift 50lbs. and have a current drivers' license. Salary/funding: Negotiable. Housing may be available, Term of **Appointment:** minimum commitment is 2 years, **Application Deadline:** Open Comments: Please mail resume, cover letter and a copy of your current drivers' license. Please do not contact us - we'll

contact you. Jennifer Caravello, 5087 Danville Road, Nicholasville KY 40356 Fax number: 859-858-0044

WIL RESEARCH LABORATORIES,

INC. is an interdisciplinary non-clinical contract research organization providing product safety and toxicological assessment research and services to the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, chemical, agricultural, veterinary, food and consumer products industries. Our scientists, toxicologists, pathologists, veterinarians, chemists, and technical support staff possess the scientific and regulatory experience to develop the most effective research studies on the market today, and the knowledge to conduct, interpret, and report the results to both domestic and international regulatory agencies. WIL Research Laboratories, Inc., has several opportunities available in its Ashland, Ohio facility. The Research Biologist positions will be responsible for the performance of in-life phases of studies in accordance with Standard Operating Procedures and Good Laboratory Practice Regulations with a low level of supervision. Duties will include: animal receipt, animal identification (eartag, tattoo, microchip), collection of study data (body and food weights, detailed clinical observations), animal dosing (oral, dermal, intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous), blood collection, editing of computerized data, generation of data tables and maintenance of neat and orderly records. This position also functions as lead technician for complex studies. Animal technicians in the Toxicology Department perform in-life phases of a wide range of general toxicology studies designed to evaluate the systemic, pharmacologic and carcinogenic effects of test materials. Duties include the collection of physical parameters such as ECGs, blood pressure, body temperature and heart and respiration rate. Areas of specialization within the department include performing animal surgeries, operating radiology/bone densitometry equipment and the collection and processing of radio-telemetry data. Please download an application at www.wilresearch.com and mail or fax, along with resume to: WIL Research Laboratories, Inc., 1407 George Road, Ashland, OH 44805. Fax: (419) 289-3650.

Wisconsin Primate Center Library Internet Services

Primate Info Net (PIN)—A website linking to almost 3,000 documents and sites about research, conservation and education in the field of primatology; the work of library staff at the Wisconsin Primate Research Center at the University of Wisconsin. Through PIN, the library offers access to a variety of outreach programs (listed below) targeted to primatologists and the interested public. http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/

Primate-Science – An electronic discussion forum for people engaged in research with nonhuman primates. http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/ps/index.html

Primate-Lit – A bibliographic database of over 200,000 citations to the nonhuman primate literature from 1940 to present. Indexing for PrimateLit is provided by the Primate Information Center, Washington Primate Research Center. —http://

primatelit.library.wisc.edu

International Directory of
Primatology – A directory to
organizations working with primates.
http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/idp/

World Directory of Primatologists – A directory to individuals working with primates. *—http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/idp/wdp/*

AskPrimate – An email-based reference service available to the public for answering any questions related to nonhuman primates. –http://www.primate.wisc.edw/pin/askprim.html Primate-Jobs – A free service listing jobs available and positions wanted in the field of primatology. http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/jobs/index.html

Careers in Primatology – A resource of educational and occupational information for those interested in working with nonhuman primates. – http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/careers/index.html

Audiovisual Resources – An archive of primate images and database of audiovisual materials that may be borrowed from the library. http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/av.html

Fact Sheets – A collection of web pages summarizing individual primate species. Information available includes morphology, home range, ecology, behavior and communication. –http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/factsheets/
Primate Enrichment Forum — An email list designed to facilitate communication between professionals working at primate biomedical research

facilities on the topic of environment

enrichment for nonhuman primates.

PRIMATOLOGY MAKES IT INTO NATURE

Baboon dads defend offspring in fights
Picky paternal protection questions evolution of promiscuity.

11 September 2003

Buchan, J.C., Alberts, S.C., Silk, J.C. & Altmann, J. True paternal care in a multi-male primate society. Nature, 425, 179, (2003).

Baboon fathers rush to protect their kids in fights, a DNA study has revealed. Somehow the males spot their sons even in spats between the offspring of mothers both of which they have mated.

The finding means that researchers must re-examine why multiple mating occurs in primates,



and the reasons for paternal care when it does. In bird societies, where promiscuity is the norm, having several supportive dads was thought to secure more protection for juveniles overall.

"It reopens the question of how natural selection favours recognition mechanisms," says Paul Sherman of Cornell University in Ithaca, New York, who studies the social behaviour of animals.

Every day for three years Susan Alberts, of Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, and her team watched a group of wild savannah baboons (Papio cynocephalus) in Kenya's Amboseli Basin, at the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro. They collected the DNA of 194 individuals from fecal and blood samples, identifying fathers for 75 youngsters.

The team now plans to find out how the fathers know their kin. Says Alberts: "They may pick out kids that look or smell like them, or if they got a lot of the female's mating time they may think they are probably the father."

JOANNE BAKER

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http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/pef/
Callicam – A webcam showing a public display of common marmosets. This site allows students to observe marmoset behavior and use accompanying resources to learn about their natural history, care and management. http://

www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/marmoset/
These resources are made possible by grants RR00167 and RR15311 from the National Center Resources, National Institutes of Health. For more information about these services, contact Cynthia Robinson, Head of Library Services, Phone: 608-263-3512,

The Baboon as a Model for the Study of Human Reproduction

Email: robinson@primate.wisc.edu.

January 11-14, 2004, Nairobi, Kenya

NEW DATES!

Primate models are insufficiently used for biomedical research in reproduction in both Europe and in the USA due to the high cost. The need for primate models is increasing due to ethical constraints of reproductive research in humans and to increase public awareness about the safety of new developments in reproductive technology (new drugs, embryonic stem cell research, cloning, intracytoplasmatic sperm injection, blastocyst culture, in vitro maturation of oocytes) and their impact on future generations.

Baboons have many advantages in reproductive research owing to their similar reproductive anatomy and endocrinology compared to humans. They maintain their health in captivity and are not an endangered species.

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Baboons are considered to be a natural resource in several African countries which leads to lower research costs. This meeting aims to review how baboons have been and can be used as research models for basic and clinical aspects of human reproduction and how they can be considered as a preclinical model for new diagnostic and therapeutic approaches in reproductive medicine. The meeting will also be a platform for young investigators/researchers to present the results of their research projects in an attractive and stimulating environment.

The topics covered in this course will appeal to several Special Interest Groups in the European Society for Human Reproduction (ESHRE) and in the American Society for Reproductive Medicine (ASRM) such as Embryology, Contraception, Endometriosis, Early Pregnancy, Reproductive Surgery, Andrology and Reproductive Endocrinology.

Target Audience

- Clinicians, scientists, embryologists and other health care or biomedical research professionals interested in reproductive medicine
- Junior students who are active or interested in research in reproductive medicine

- Delegates from pharmaceutical and nonpharmaceutical companies with an interest in the baboon as preclinical model for diagnosis and treatment in reproductive medicine
- Delegates from international organizations involved in South-South or North-South collaborative projects in the field of biomedical research or clinical medicine
- Primatologists and other individuals interested in the preservation of endangered primate species

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) invites you to attend a miniconvention, on "Frontiers in Addiction Research" on Friday, November 7, 2003 at Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, New Orleans, LA http://www.drugabuse.gov/whatsnew/meetings/neuro03/

The mini-convention, held in conjunction with this year's Society for Neuroscience (SfN) Annual meeting in New Orleans, will bring together an exciting group of participants from a wide array of scientific disciplines to share advances and discuss future directions in the neuroscience of drug abuse and related areas.

Seating is limited. ONLINE PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS EVENT. Please pre-register on line and please indicate which sessions you plan to attend. http://www.drugabuse.gov/whatsnew/meetings/neuro03/2003mini.html (Please use a browser other than Netscape 4.7 to register).

In addition, NIDA has three SfN sponsored events and symposia scheduled during the meeting http://www.drugabusgov/whatsnew/meetings/neuro03/events.html.

These events focus on a wide array of issues in neuroscience and drug abuse and we invite you to attend these events as well.

If you wish to announce a job opening or upcoming conference in the next ASP Bulletin, please contact the Editor: Toni Ziegler by e-mail: ziegler@primate.wisc.edu.



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