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## Notes from the Executive Director

The International Association for Society and Natural Resources (IASNR) continues to experience significant changes – some related to ongoing organizational processes, e.g., the election of new Council members, a search for a new Editor (or Co-Editors) for our flagship journal *Society and Natural Resources (SNR)*, the move to twelve issues per volume of *SNR*, the search for hosts for the 2013, 2014, and later meeting sites, and continued work on making our website ([www.iasnr.org](http://www.iasnr.org)) and business office operations more streamlined and accessible to you. In addition, we have begun to address other fundamental issues tied to membership renewals. Our last two ISSRM meetings – Vienna in 2009 and Corpus Christi in 2010 (please see Gene Theodori's report on page 8) – were well planned and executed. Unfortunately, attendance, especially of North American faculty and students, at both meetings, was relatively low compared with recent meetings in



**A.E. Luloff**  
Executive Director

Vancouver, Park City, and Burlington. Since many IASNR members traditionally use the annual ISSRM meeting as their time for renewal, following the past two ISSRM meetings full-time membership has dropped considerably. Over the past 24 months or so, it has been between 300 and 400, or nearly 250 less than previous years.

Such a decline is worrisome for many reasons – despite our organization's sound financial health, the Executive Committee and Council believe IASNR is only as strong as its membership. Because of this concern, we have expended considerable time discussing how we could best address our membership decline and earlier commitments to maintain regular international venues for annual meetings. It is clear that prevailing economic troubles facing many universities and agencies are affecting travel budgets, and many North Americans will have difficulty attending the 2011 meetings planned for Sabah, Malaysia. An informal poll of Council and members confirmed this.

At the last Council Meeting we had a long discussion about our commitment to the 2011

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## Time to Renew Your 2011 IASNR Membership!

All current and past IASNR members are encouraged to renew their memberships for 2011 using our on-line membership renewal and membership management system. It is very simple – simply log on to the IASNR web site, [www.iasnr.org](http://www.iasnr.org), and click on the “members” button at the top of the main page. This will take you to the membership management page where you can renew your membership (or establish a new membership) on-line. All on-line

membership transactions are processed via credit card payment through a *secure* PayPal account established by IASNR specifically for this purpose. Although we still accept membership payments through the mail (an application form can be downloaded at the bottom of the website membership page), we strongly encourage use of the on-line system both because it is highly secure and because it substantially speeds the processing of your

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## 2011 ISSRM — Madison, Wisconsin, USA

### June 4 - 8, 2011

The 17th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM) will be hosted by the University of Wisconsin-Madison **June 4-8, 2011**, in Madison, Wisconsin. The theme of the 2011 ISSRM in Madison is **"Integrating Conservation and Sustainable Living."** The program will reflect the diversity of research and practice related to conservation and sustainability from around the world. Symposium participation is encouraged along the following sub-themes. Additional topics in the realm of society and resource management are welcome:

- Eating Green - Food and Sustainable Living
- Climate Change and Sustainability
- Sustainable Livelihoods and Protected Areas
- Protecting Water Resources Across Boundaries
- Cultural Influences on Collaborative Land-Use Planning
- Human Health Outcomes of Sustainability
- Alternative Energy Systems and Society
- Poverty, Emerging Economies, and Sustainable Living
- Community and Landscape Resiliency
- Ecosystem Services in Conservation and Society
- Greening Tourism and Outdoor Recreation
- Population and Environment

#### Plenary Speakers

Two plenary speakers will address ISSRM participants in Madison:



**Terra Brockman** is founder of The Land Connection, an educational nonprofit organization working to ensure more Illinois farmland will grow local foods for our tables and author of *The Seasons on Henry's Farm: A Year of Food and Life on a Sustainable Farm*. Her talk will address how our food and our environment intersect and why this matters for sustainability, health, and our future.

**Stan Albrecht** is president of Utah State University and a leader in university commitments to sustainability. He will speak on the obligations, opportunities, and challenges that local and global environmental issues present to environmental research and education in the twenty-first century.



#### Abstract Submission and Key Dates

Beginning in November 2011, abstracts for scientific papers, posters and organized sessions should be submitted on-line via the 2011 ISSRM Madison website [www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org](http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org). The firm due date for abstracts and proposals for organized sessions is **February 15, 2011**. Authors will be notified whether or

not their abstract/proposal has been accepted no later than **March 15, 2011**. Advanced communication about ideas for organized sessions (panels, roundtables, or paper sessions) is encouraged. Please contact program co-chairs Courtney Flint, [cflint@illinois.edu](mailto:cflint@illinois.edu), or Joan Brehm, [jmbrehm@ilstu.edu](mailto:jmbrehm@ilstu.edu).

**May 5, 2011** is the deadline for early conference registration rates as well as the deadline for conference registration required to hold a place on program.

#### Student Involvement and Information

##### **Student Forum, Student gathering at a local brewery-restaurant, and Quiz Bowl.**

One of the hallmarks of ISSRM has been a strong commitment to student participation. As in past years, a pre-conference student forum will be an important part of the ISSRM conference. This year's forum will be held on **Saturday, June 4**, and is intended as a fun opportunity for students to share research experiences, network with others, and focus on career development opportunities. Advice and information offered through the forum will be relevant to both masters and doctoral students and for academic and non-academic careers. At the end of the day, the local organizers will lead a walk on State Street and stop at "The Great Dane Pub" for a relaxing evening.

Building on the strength of student involvement at prior ISSRM meetings, the "Quiz Bowl" competition will once again be featured at the 2011 symposium. Teams from across the country are encouraged to compete. The quiz bowl will be held on **Tuesday, June 7**, just prior to the "Brat and Brew Picnic."

**Student Mentor Program.** For those who are interested, we also invite students to participate in IASNR's mentor program: <http://www.iasnr.org/Mentor.pdf>. The purpose of the Mentor Program is to link students and new professionals with experienced IASNR members so people early in their careers can get advice and assistance from a more experienced professional. Signing up for the mentor program will facilitate connecting students to appropriate advice and support at the conference.



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## 2011 ISSRM — Madison, Wisconsin, USA June 4 - 8, 2011

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**Student Paper Competition.** If you are a PhD, Masters, or undergraduate student, you are invited to submit a paper for consideration in the "Best Student Paper Awards Competition." A cash prize and gift certificate will be awarded to the top PhD student paper as well as the top Masters/Undergraduate student paper. For details, please see page 6 in this newsletter.

**Student Scholarships.** The first 100 students to register will receive a \$100 student scholarship applied to their registration fee. For more information on student scholarships, please refer to the website ([http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org/index.php?L1=left\\_registration.php&L2=body\\_Call\\_for\\_Papers\\_student\\_scholarships.php](http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org/index.php?L1=left_registration.php&L2=body_Call_for_Papers_student_scholarships.php)).

### Venue and Lodging

**Conference Site. University of Wisconsin-Madison Memorial Union.** ISSRM Madison 2011 will be held on the beautiful University of Wisconsin-Madison campus, with most events held lakeside at the famous UW Memorial Union and the Memorial Union Terrace. For further information about the UW-Madison campus, visit <http://www.wisc.edu>.



Photo credit: Jeff Miller, UW Madison, University Communications

**Lodging. DORMS DORMS DORMS!!!** Significant efforts have been made to keep the cost of lodging affordable, particularly for those staying in campus dormitories. We have reserved room blocks in several UW-Madison campus dormitories and conference participants who would like to take advantage of this opportunity can choose from single and double occupancy rooms as well as shared and separate bath settings. Registration for Dorms will be open by **January 14, 2011**.

**On-Campus Guest Rooms and Madison Area Hotels.** Room blocks have also been reserved for conference participants in on-campus guest rooms in a recently renovated hotel-like conference facility belonging to UW-Madison (the Lowell Center) as well as two area hotels located close to campus (the Doubletree Hotel and the Dahlmann Campus Inn). For information on hotel rooms click on the "Lodging" tab from the ISSRM home page (<http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org/>).

### Special Events

There are a variety of fun special events planned for this year's conference:

**Saturday, June 4: Student Forum and Student Gathering at "The Great Dane Pub."**

**Sunday, June 5: Pre-Symposium Field Trips.** We have scheduled two interesting and informative field trips. If you are interested in attending one of the field trips, please indicate this on your ISSRM registration. Field trips will include lunch.

**Sustainable Living Field Trip.** The first stop on this field trip will involve a visit to an organic dairy farm to discuss the environmental impacts of food and the sustainable agriculture movement. Next we will stop at the Aldo Leopold Foundation and Center, which will highlight the ethics of sustainability, the land ethic, and how we can conserve energy and build positive relationships with our communities and environment. Finally, our last stop will visit a Madison architectural firm that is promoting green buildings and renovations that support healthy urban communities.

**Wisconsin River Canoe Field Trip.** This field trip will explore the social, ecological, and political dynamics along the

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## 2011 ISSRM — Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia June 13 - 17, 2011



The International Symposium for Society and Resource Management 2011 (ISSRM 2011) being held in Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia, **June 13-17**, is being hosted by Universiti Malaysia Sabah with collaboration from Curtin University and the Australian National University.



The theme of the symposium is **“Natural Resource Development and Conservation: Negotiating Boundaries, Knowledge and Power.”** The symposium will bring together researchers and practitioners working on natural resource management from both

the social and natural sciences from around the world, and normally attracts those from the public and private sectors as well.

Each year paper and poster presentations display a multi-disciplinary and multi-sectoral approach to natural resource alternatives, which tend to culminate in methods and approaches that are innovative and interesting.

There is a strong emphasis on postgraduate training, with a one day preconference session on issues of importance to post-graduates. This year the postgraduate day will take into account issues that are of importance to the careers of postgraduates from developing countries without overlooking the concerns of those from developed countries.

If you are a PhD, Masters, or undergraduate student, you are invited to submit a paper for consideration in the “Best Student Paper Awards Competition.” A cash prize and gift certificate will

be awarded to the top PhD student paper as well as the top Masters/Undergraduate student paper. For details, please see page 7 in this newsletter.

### A Few of our Keynote Speakers

Three speakers have kindly agreed to be keynotes — all are specialists of Southeast Asia. We are working with our collaborators on inviting speakers from or on the south Pacific.

**Professor Tania Murray Li**, Professor of Anthropology and Canada Research Chair in the Political-Economy and Culture of Asia-Pacific, University of Toronto

**Ms. Jannie Lasimbang**, Commissioner for Human Rights Commission of Malaysia and Member of the United Nations Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

**Dato’ Professor Ir. Zaini Ujang**, winner of the prestigious Merdeka National Academic Award for Academic Excellence (2009), Vice President of the International Water Association, London (2004-2006), the Outstanding Young Malaysian Award (Academia 2004), and currently Vice Chancellor of the University of Technology Malaysia.



Medicinal Paraphenalia from the forest at Bundu Tuhan, Sahah, Malaysic

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Sabah, Malaysia  
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**Our Collaborators**

Our collaborators are institutions, which have shown commitment to ISSRM in different ways, but they have pledged financial support to finance their own interests such as in the organization of panels (including funding for panelists and subsequent publication). To be a collaborator, institutions also are also requested to provide assistance to the conference, such as with sponsoring keynote speakers, or sponsoring some deserving candidates from the non-government sector or post-graduates who do not have scholarships. Whatever the choice, the decision is mutually agreed upon by the organizing committee and the institutions involved.

All collaborators will be acknowledged in the Conference Book of Abstracts and on the website, which will be completed in early December 2010.

**WE WELCOME AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO  
COLLABORATION WITH MORE INSTITUTIONS ESPECIALLY  
FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.**

**Green Technology and Social Corporate Responsibility**

The Committee at UMS is working on a special panel on green technology and social corporate responsibility that will involve business interests and their critics.

Our website is <http://www.issrm2011malaysia.iasnr.org>.  
Facebook can be found on the web.

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**or**

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**Bundu Tuhan Native Reserve,  
Sabah, Malaysia:  
Forests—Managed by Local  
Community**



## ISSRM 2011 — Madison, Wisconsin, USA

### Call for Papers - Best Student Paper Awards

#### ISSRM 2011

June 4-8, Madison, Wisconsin

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#### How to win

Your paper must address issues pertaining to the social sciences of natural resources. Papers based on empirical studies and data are preferred, but review articles and thought pieces will be considered. If your paper is judged to be the best of the submissions, you will win for your respective category (Ph.D. or Master's/Undergraduate).

#### Evaluation Criteria

1. Advancement of knowledge
2. Significance of the topic for society and natural resource management concerns
3. Quality and implementation of the research (if applicable)
4. Analysis and interpretation of the findings (if applicable)
5. Clarity and organization of the writing

#### General Requirements

1. The student must attend and present the paper at the 17th ISSRM conference in Madison.
2. The student must be a member of the IASNR at the time the paper is submitted.
3. Papers may be co-authored with another student, but not a faculty member.

#### Paper Requirements

1. Papers cannot exceed 25 pages (inclusive of title, abstract, body of the text, references, tables and figures).
2. All pages must be double-spaced; 12-point font; and have 1 inch margins on all sides.
3. The paper can follow the Chicago or American Psychological Association or American Sociological Association formatting style.
4. Paper must not have been previously presented at a professional conference or published in a proceedings, book, or journal.

#### Submission Procedures and Deadlines

By **February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011**, submit an abstract for an oral presentation of a scientific paper. In addition, send via email, a copy of your abstract and a letter of intent to submit a full paper to **Dr. Douglas Clayton Smith** at [Douglas.Smith@wku.edu](mailto:Douglas.Smith@wku.edu). When submitting the abstract and letter of intent, please include your name, institutional affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, and email. All submissions must be accompanied by a letter or email from a faculty advisor or department chair addressed to Dr. Douglas Clayton Smith certifying your student status.

By **April 15, 2011**, a completed paper should be emailed as a pdf attachment to [Douglas.Smith@wku.edu](mailto:Douglas.Smith@wku.edu).

Award recipients will be notified by **May 23, 2011**.

Additional information about the 17th ISSRM conference can be found at [www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org](http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org). For information on the International Association for Society & Natural Resources (IASNR) and a membership application, please visit the IASNR website at <http://www.iasnr.org>.

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1. The student must attend and present the paper at the 17th ISSRM Malaysia conference.
2. The student must be a member of the IASNR at the time the paper is submitted.
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2. All pages must be double-spaced; 12-point font; and have 1 inch margins on all sides.
3. The paper can follow the Chicago or American Psychological Association or American Sociological Association formatting style.
4. Paper must not have been previously presented at a professional conference or published in a proceedings, book, or journal.

#### Submission Procedures and Deadlines

By the deadline stated on the conference website, submit an abstract for an oral presentation of a scientific paper. In addition, send via email, a copy of your abstract and a letter of intent to submit a full paper to **Dr. Jean Mangun** at [jmangun@siena.edu](mailto:jmangun@siena.edu). When submitting the abstract and letter of intent, please include your name, institutional affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, and email. All submissions must be accompanied by a letter or email from a faculty advisor or department chair addressed to Dr. Mangun certifying your student status.

By **March 15, 2011**, a completed paper should be emailed as a pdf attachment to [jmangun@siena.edu](mailto:jmangun@siena.edu). Award recipients will be notified by **May 3, 2011**.

Additional information about the 17th ISSRM conference can be found at [www.issrm2011Malaysia.iasnr.org](http://www.issrm2011Malaysia.iasnr.org). For information on the International Association for Society & Natural Resources (IASNR) and a membership application, please visit the IASNR website at <http://www.iasnr.org>.



## Sam Houston State University hosts 2010 ISSRM Corpus Christi, Texas



### ISSRM 2010

16th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management  
*Tyranny of 'Or': Conservation or Development? Preservation or Utilization?*

Sam Houston State University hosted the 16<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM) conference held June 6-10, in Corpus Christi, Texas, USA. The conference theme, *Tyranny of 'Or': Conservation or Development? Preservation or Utilization?*, proved a timely topic given the coincidence of the Deepwater Horizon disaster in the Gulf of Mexico. The conference attracted approximately 300 professionals and students who participated in 225 paper presentations and 40 poster presentations as well as five organized panel sessions. Twenty-five students representing twelve national and international universities received scholarships to attend ISSRM 2010.

Gene Theodori, professor of sociology and director of the Center for Rural Studies, Research and Outreach at Sam Houston State University, served as chair of the symposium. Cheryl Hudec, also of SHSU, served as symposium coordinator. SHSU students provided critical operational support and played a key role in the hands-on aspects of the meeting.

#### Student Forum

The student forum coordinators and committee hosted 60 students who participated in a variety of networking and professional development activities. Students received information about grant writing, the use of secondary data in social science research, and various professional opportunities available through IASNR. Forum organizers brought in speakers from the National Park Service, Padre Island National Seashore, The Pennsylvania State University, Texas A&M University, Clemson University, NOAA, the University of Hannover, Germany, the University of Manitoba, Harvard University, the University of Georgia, and the Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units Network.

#### Keynote Speakers

During the opening plenary and welcome reception, Dr. Steve Murdock, a well-respected academician and professor of sociology at Rice University, discussed natural resources use and protection, focusing on demographic and socioeconomic factors that could impact public policies. During Monday's plenary session, Dr. Tom Geehan of MISWACO – a joint venture company of Schlumberger and Smith International – provided key information regarding environmental compliance in the oil and gas upstream business sector from his viewpoint



Marina of Corpus Christi  
Photo credit: Jim Finley, Penn State

as a professional in the oilfield services sector. Dr. David E. Holt of Consumer Energy Alliance and a professor with Norway's Bodø Graduate School of Business talked about energy policy needs and solutions, and Dr. Carey King of the University of Texas at Austin, a former National Science Foundation Graduate Fellow, discussed world energy trends. At Tuesday's plenary session, Dr. Stephen Kellert, the Tweedy Ordway Professor of Sociology at the Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, presented on nature in human development.

Dr. Allen Rasmussen, Dean in the Dick and Mary Lewis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Human Sciences at Texas A&M University-Kingsville, was the keynote speaker for the IASNR Banquet. Recognized for his varied contributions in the field of natural resources development, management, and conflict mitigation, Rasmussen provided an insightful look into the natural resource issues facing south Texas.

#### EFD Workshop

The Environmentally Friendly Drilling Program (EFD) sponsored a workshop that focused on environmentally friendly energy exploration and production (E&P) industry practices. Leading industry experts shared details on emerging and successful environmentally friendly E&P advances in the field.

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## Sam Houston State University hosts 2010 ISSRM Corpus Christi, Texas

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### Poster Session and Quiz Bowl

The Poster Session and Student Quiz Bowl were held during the evening session. The events complemented each other and appeared a resounding success given the interest and participation the sessions generated. The Poster Session garnered 40 well-developed research questions and observations.



Poster Session

Four academic teams competed in the quiz bowl. Participants from Cornell University, North Carolina State University, Texas A&M University, and Murdoch University made up the Wildcard University Team. The other three teams represented the University of Maine, Clemson University, and The Pennsylvania State University. Clemson University's team was designated the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Student Quiz Bowl champion and received a \$50 gift certificate from Taylor and Francis Publishing Company.



Student Quiz Bowl



Don Field, ISSRM 2011-Madison Chair, and  
Al Luloff, IASNR Executive Director

## 2010 ISSRM Student Paper Award Winners

The 2010 ISSRM conference in Corpus Christi included recognition of two graduate students whose papers were selected for recognition in the ISSRM Best Student Papers Awards competition.

The Best Doctoral Student Paper Award went to **Joanna Tonge**, a PhD student in the School of Environmental Science at Murdoch University. Joanna's paper was titled *"The place attachment of visitors to Ningaloo Marine Park, north-western Australia."*

The Best MS Student Paper Award recipient was **Darrick T.N. Evensen**, a MS student in the Department of Natural Resources, Cornell University. Darrick's paper was titled *"Natural threats in the 'Lymelight': Understanding how people perceive risks associated with Lyme disease."*

Student Paper Award Winners: Joanna Tonge and Darrick T.N. Evensen  
Presenting Awards: Jean Mangun



## Student Affairs Committee

The Student Affairs Committee (SAC) is a student-led organization aimed to build student involvement and understanding of the IASNR vision, enhance experiences at ISSRM, and provide opportunities for professional development. The SAC has coordinated opportunities for students to meet, greet and compete at ISSRM since 2008, and ISSRM 2010 was another successful year for student activities.

Over 50 graduate students representing 34 institutions and six nations participated in the Student Forum and 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Quiz Bowl. Those who attended the Student Forum discussed a wide range of topics including secondary data, grant writing, and coastal resources management. A professional panel was also present and responded to students' questions regarding resource management and various aspects of conducting academic research.

This year, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Quiz Bowl was held in conjunction with the Poster Session. Teams of four graduate students from three universities (Clemson, Penn State, and University of Maine) and a free-agent "international" team (representing North America and Australia) competed in a Jeopardy-style game. Upon completing three grueling rounds of trivia, Clemson University was victorious! Taylor & Francis Publishing Company sponsored Quiz Bowl for the

third consecutive year and awarded the 2010 Quiz Bowl Champions with a \$200 gift card. The evening was fun and entertaining thanks to the efforts of each team and thanks to Dave White from Arizona State University who enthusiastically agreed to host the event.



From left to right: Amanda Bentley, Texas A&M University graduate student and on-site Quiz Bowl Coordinator; Pia Aliperti, Managing Editor, Taylor & Francis; Brian Evans, Marketing Associate, Taylor & Francis; Clemson University graduate students and Quiz Bowl winners: Adam Beeco, Jeff Skibins, Brandi Smith, and Matt Brownlee.



## Future ISSRM Meetings

### University of Alberta hosting 2012 ISSRM

The 2012 ISSRM is planned for **June 17-21** in beautiful Canada - Edmonton, Alberta.

The conference theme is **"Linking the North and the South: Responding to Environmental Change."**

Edmonton's park system has more "green space" than any other North American city, and its extensive trail system is a joy for bikers, runners, walkers and cross-country skiers. The city is celebrated for its theatre and arts communities, and restaurants and nightlife are only a short walk from campus. Jasper and Banff National Parks are 3-4 hours away.

**Contact person: Naomi Krogman, [naomi.krogman@ualberta.ca](mailto:naomi.krogman@ualberta.ca)**

**Please plan to join us in the cool yet sunny month of June in Alberta in 2012!**

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### A Potential Collaboration and Venue for 2013

After some early conversations between The Human Dimensions of Natural Resources Department at Colorado State University (CSU) and the Executive Committee of IASNR, a new initiative has begun. This partnership between CSU, IASNR, and the Social Science Working Group of the Society for Conservation Biology is preparing a bid to host a future ISSRM meeting together. This proposal will bring these groups together for the first time. Doing so would not only be cost efficient, but also a wonderful opportunity to facilitate the sharing of research, teaching, and outreach efforts across a broader network of individuals focused on natural resource issues.

Part of the rationale for announcing this effort now is to seek member input on this possibility. Please send your comments to Jerry Vaske, ([jerryv@warnercnr.colostate.edu](mailto:jerryv@warnercnr.colostate.edu)), Secretary of IASNR, and point person for the organization in this effort. It is the desire of the Executive Committee to have this potential and other ISSRM meetings work for you, allowing your investments of time and money to pay real dividends.

The conference, possibly to be held in 2013, would be hosted at the YMCA of the Rockies located in Estes Park, Colorado. Estes Park is the gateway community for Rocky Mountain National Park and features some of the world's most spectacular scenery and natural environments. Trail Ridge Road – more than 12,000 feet above sea level – is one of the highest paved roads in the

United States. The Estes Park Center is surrounded by plentiful wildlife and recreational diversity. More information about the Estes Park Center can be found at: <http://ymcarockies.org>. Similar to 2004 ISSRM symposium in Keystone, Colorado, the conference organizers are considering publishing an edited book highlighting recent advances in field of society and natural resources. The 2004 book:

Manfredo, M. J., Vaske, J. J., Bruyere, B. L., Field, D. R., & Brown, P. (Eds.). (2004). *Society and natural resources: A summary of knowledge*. Jefferson, MO: Modern Litho. 361 pp.

included 31 chapters and covered a range of topics (e.g., philosophical perspectives, conservation psychology, social impact assessment, cultural diversity, social psychological aspects of natural resource management). Some of these chapters will be updated, but other new chapters will be included. Individuals interested in contributing a synthesis type chapter for the book should contact:

**Dr. Michael Manfredo ([manfredo@warnercnr.colostate.edu](mailto:manfredo@warnercnr.colostate.edu)),**  
**Dr. Jerry Vaske ([jerryv@warnercnr.colostate.edu](mailto:jerryv@warnercnr.colostate.edu)) or**  
**Dr. Al Luloff ([aeluloff@psu.edu](mailto:aeluloff@psu.edu))**

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### Proposals to host 2014 and 2015 ISSRM now being considered

The IASNR Site Selection Committee is now seeking proposals from potential host institutions for the IASNR annual meeting, ISSRM, in 2014 and 2015. For further information or to request a call for proposals, please contact the site selection committee chairs below:

**Tom Beckley, [beckley@unb.ca](mailto:beckley@unb.ca)**  
**Tom Fish, [Tom\\_Fish@nps.gov](mailto:Tom_Fish@nps.gov)**  
**Jean Mangun, [jmangun@siena.edu](mailto:jmangun@siena.edu)**  
**A.E. Luloff, [aeluloff@psu.edu](mailto:aeluloff@psu.edu)**

## 2010 IASNR Council Election Results

In 2010, members elected representatives to fill five seats on IASNR's council – three representing “professional member” seats (filled for four-year terms), one representing “agency” seat (filled for a four-year term), and one representing the “student member” seat (filled for a two-year term). The five individuals elected were:

- **Angela Mertig** (Middle Tennessee State University, re-elected for a second term)
- **Naomi Krogman** (University of Alberta-Edmonton, re-elected for a second term)
- **Steve Selin** (West Virginia University)
- **Tom Fish** (Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units), and

- **Chris Raymond**, (doctoral student, Centre for Rural Health and Community Development, University of South Australia).

We welcome the new members to the IASNR council, and express our thanks and gratitude to the former council members whose terms ended: **Linda Kruger (U.S. Forest Service)**, **Stephanie Malin (Utah State University)**, **Jean Mangun (Siena College)**, and **Richard Stedman (Cornell University)**. All provided outstanding service and leadership during their terms as council members. We want to take this opportunity to thank Linda, Stephanie, Jean, and Rich for their help and hard work over the past several years and for their continued commitment to IASNR. We will continue to find new ways to call on each of them in the coming years!

## Social Ecology Press Bookstore Access

Social Ecology Press (SEP) is now part of the IASNR. We are very fortunate to have the opportunity to continue the work of SEP and to provide this service to our members. We now have a direct link on the IASNR home page to the Bookstore and can take payment through PayPal. Most recently, we've not had this capability and are now better prepared to meet your needs.

Please consider using our titles in the courses you teach. We can provide bulk discounts as well as a 10 percent savings to IASNR members.

If you have any difficulty using the link, placing your orders, or have other questions about SEP, please contact the IASNR treasurer, Jim Finley, at [fj4@psu.edu](mailto:fj4@psu.edu) or 814-863-0402.

### Social Impact Assessment Books

A Community Guide to Social Assessment (R.J. Burdge)

Social Assessment: Theory, Process and Techniques (C.N. Taylor, C.H. Bryan, C.G. Goodrich)

The Concepts, Process and Methods of Social Impact Assessment (R.J. Burdge)

### Classics in Rural Sociology Books

Daydreams and Nightmares (W.R. Burch)

Diffusion Research in Rural Sociology (F.C. Fliegel, P. Korsching)

Man, Mind and Land (W. Firey)

Rural Sociology and the Environment (D.R. Field, W.R. Burch)

The Community in Rural America (K.P. Wilkinson)

Three Iron Mining Towns (P.H. Landis)



## IASNR Membership Committee Updates

The membership committee convened a highly successful new members meeting at ISSRM Corpus Christi attended by about 20 new members and 10 IASNR officers, council members, and SNR journal editors. New members had the chance to introduce themselves and meet the officers, editors, and council members. They also asked many excellent questions about IASNR and publishing with SNR. We welcome these and other new members and encourage you to attend our new members meetings at ISSRM Malaysia and Madison in 2011.

The membership committee continues to match mentees with experienced members. We are always in need of mentor volunteers and encourage students and new professionals eager to take advantage of our program to fill out our forms on the IASNR website.

Please contact Kathy Halvorsen via email, [kehalvor@mtu.edu](mailto:kehalvor@mtu.edu), or at (906) 487-2824, if you have any questions.

## Newly Appointed Constitution and Bylaw Committee

An ad hoc committee to review the IASNR bylaws was appointed by Executive Director Al Luloff at the meeting in Corpus Christi this past summer. The committee consists of outgoing council member Rich Stedman (Cornell University) and council member Angela Mertig (Middle Tennessee State University).

Concerns have been raised—both within Council and by the membership at large—about the mechanisms by which the association elects its officers, especially the Executive Director. Two considerations have been raised: first, that the selection is made via a vote of Council as it is constituted when the selection needs to be made, rather than a vote of the general membership; second, the bylaws require the Executive Director be selected from sitting Council members (those serving at the time when the selection of an Executive Director needs to occur). This latter requirement can be very restrictive, depending on the composition of Council (junior vs. more senior membership) and the availability and willingness of those members to be considered as a possible candidate.

The committee is currently reviewing the bylaws and will make a recommendation for council discussion and approval before the

end of the year. The current bylaws require that “The Council must fully advertise proposed amendments for all members six months in advance of General Assembly meetings.” Therefore, the committee intends to advertise (through an announcement on the association website and through the association listserv) the proposed bylaw changes (as approved by Council) by mid-January 2011 since the next General Assembly meeting will occur in June at the annual association meetings. At that time, a vote will be taken on the proposed changes. The committee asks that if you have any concerns regarding the bylaws that you feel should be addressed please contact one or both of the committee members by the end of December 2010. The current bylaws can be found at:

[http://www.iasnr.org/index.php?L1=left\\_home.php&L2=body\\_ConstBylaw.php](http://www.iasnr.org/index.php?L1=left_home.php&L2=body_ConstBylaw.php)

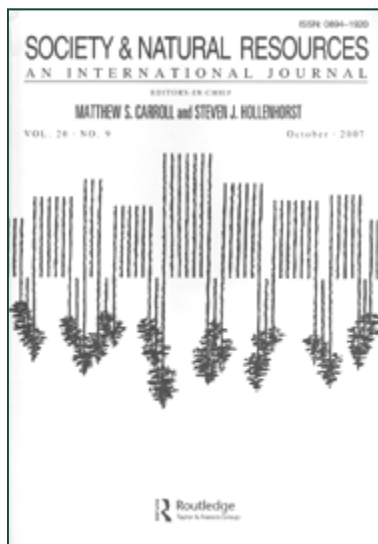
**Contacts:** Rich Stedman, [rcs6@cornell.edu](mailto:rcs6@cornell.edu), and Angela Mertig, [amertig@mtsu.edu](mailto:amertig@mtsu.edu)



## From the Editors of *Society and Natural Resources*

### Call for Applications for Editor of *Society and Natural Resources*

The IASNR Publications Committee is soliciting candidates for editor (or co-editors) of *Society and Natural Resources*. The new editor(s) will assume the position of Editor(s)-designate in the spring of 2011. During this time, they will begin the transition to editorial roles by working with the current editors, Tom Beckley and Troy Hall, to become familiar with journal operations and procedures. The Editor(s)-designate will assume lead responsibility for the journal beginning in July 2011, Volume 24 Issue 7. The term of office is three years. The IASNR Publications Committee will review applications and make recommendations regarding candidates to the IASNR Council, which in



consultation with representatives from Taylor & Francis (the publisher of *Society and Natural Resources*), will make the final decision regarding candidate selection.

If you have questions about the position, do not hesitate to contact the current editors, **Tom Beckley at The University of New Brunswick (phone: 506-453-4917, e-mail: [beckley@unb.ca](mailto:beckley@unb.ca))** or **Troy Hall at the University of Idaho (phone: 208-885-9455, e-mail: [troyh@uidaho.edu](mailto:troyh@uidaho.edu))**. As well, feel free to contact the Chair of the IASNR Publications Committee, **Matt Carroll (phone: 509-335-2235, e-mail: [carroll@wsu.edu](mailto:carroll@wsu.edu))**.

Candidates should submit a copy of their vitae, a detailed statement about their vision for the journal, their plan for organizing editorial operations, their relevant experience, and a letter or letters from responsible administrators confirming the availability of any possible institutional support to the Chair of the IASNR Publications Committee. One full set of printed application materials should be forwarded to: Dr. Matt Carroll, Department of Natural Resource Sciences, Washington State University, 183 Johnson Hall, Pullman, WA 99164-6410. In addition, the package of application materials should also be forwarded electronically to Dr. Carroll at: [carroll@wsu.edu](mailto:carroll@wsu.edu). Review of applications will begin on **February 15, 2011**. The IASNR Council anticipates reaching a final decision on this appointment **by April 1, 2011**.

### Good News for Authors!

Through a combination of increasing to 12 issues per year, printing expanded issues this year and next, and slightly tightening our acceptance rate, our backlog of accepted manuscripts has been cut dramatically. Look for your accepted papers to appear on-line at **iFirst** 4-6 months before they appear in print.

Once articles appear on **iFirst**, they are citable using the DOI number; Taylor & Francis sends the doi to the authors with the proof, or authors can contact SNR. On-line content is free with a subscription to SNR - a membership to IASNR will give you on-line access.

The **iFirst** URL is: <http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/title~db=all~content=g922399300>

All manuscripts that have been sent to the publisher have been tentatively assigned for publication in the 2011 issues. Manuscripts that were accepted after June 1, 2010, should be published in late 2011 or early 2012 (there are 24 of those manuscripts right now). Although manuscripts have been assigned to particular issues, we do have to move them around sometimes because of editorial concerns or to stay within the yearly page budget (we have page limits too!). If you have received a "Final Check" manuscript and corrections list, please return the materials within 6-8 weeks. The sooner it is returned, the sooner it goes in the "ready to be assigned" queue!

While things are going well at the journal, one unfortunate trend we've noticed is the increasingly difficult time we have finding people who will serve as reviewers. We often have to invite more than 10 people before one or two agree! We hope that - if you are in our reviewer database - you will agree to an occasional review. (Don't forget to update your "keyword" list.) And if you are invited but unable to look at a paper, please take a moment to suggest alternative reviewers - simply email suggested names to our editorial office [snr@unb.ca](mailto:snr@unb.ca) and we'll take it from there.

We'd like to put in our plug for folks to consider taking over editorship of *Society and Natural Resources*. Working as a team, and having the capabilities of Manuscript Central - which automates much of the review process, like sending reminders - has made the past couple years enjoyable for us. With the increase in submissions from around the world, this is a great opportunity to keep on top of cutting-edge research and expand your professional networks.



## IASNR Council Meeting Minutes

### IASNR Council Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2010

Corpus Christi, TX

**Attendees:** Rich Stedman, Courtney Flint, Rick Krannich, Joan Brehm, Kathy Halvorsen, Troy Hall, Tom Beckley, Angela Mertig, Naomi Krogman, Don Field, Al Luloff, Jim Finley, Gene Theodori, Joan Brehm, Cheryl Hudec, Jean Mangun, Matt Carroll, and Tom Fish

The minutes from the last meeting of the IASNR (July 9, 2009) were approved. In a like manner, the treasurer's report was also approved. Motions to accept were made by Rich Stedman and Kathy Halvorsen.

**Status of Social Ecology Press (SEP).** The purchase was made to preserve the press and the books. As a result, SEP has become our third cost center, making it necessary to have accounts for IASNR, ISSRM, and SEP. The purchase price and sales agreement were reviewed. Copies of the current titles were on display near the registration desk. There are a limited number of the *Summary of Knowledge* books, distributed at the 2004 Keystone, Colorado ISSRM meeting, currently available. Paulus Mau has developed a link on the IASNR website for on-line ordering from SEP. All transactions will go through IASNR's PayPal account; this is a necessary 501.c.3 requirement.

There was no formal executive director's report.

**Editor search.** Tom Beckley and Troy Hall, Co-editors of *Society and Natural Resources*, have agreed to continue their service for six months past the end of commitment (July 2011) – i.e., they will remain in place until early 2012. The journal budget and terms for editors are not in line with our financial year and this will bring these into line.

A request was made for volunteers to serve on the Editor Search Committee. Joan Brehm volunteered and Matt Carroll was volunteered. An advertisement will run in the *Journal* and be posted on the web. There are examples of these ads in the KIT and Rick Krannich will share them with Joan and Matt and others who are interested.

**Election results.** Angela Mertig, Naomi Krogman, Steve Selin, Tom Fish, and Chris Raymond (student) were elected to Council. Letters will be sent. The number of members voting was low.

**Site selections for 2013 and 2014.** We need to solicit sites and have a selection committee. Kathy Halvorsen and Angela Mertig volunteered for 2013. They were asked to find several others,

including one or more students. Tom Beckley, Tom Fish, and Jean Mangun volunteered to help with the 2014 site selection.

**Treasurer's Report:** There was a question about IASNR's maximum membership. It was just after Vancouver at about 1,000. Membership ties to registration for the ISSRMs. There were 398 total paying participants/students in Vienna and 968 in Vancouver. Of those attending the meeting in Vienna, 73 were North Americans. Membership changes with venues. This suggests that site selection is critical. Should we have more control over meeting venues? Should we work with a convention group? Could we work with a recruitment and volunteer process? Our most successful meetings have been on campuses. Al Luloff commented on the site committee's efforts to obtain the lowest room rates at the current meeting. He advocated for good campus locations. Volunteers to take on the meetings may become more difficult. Could we get campuses to work with convention bureaus? Do most campuses have summer program offices? We could do some kind of a hybrid.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$200,882.78 in the combined IASNR and ISSRM. Al suggested we should build all budgets for ISSRM around 400 participants. It was agreed we are in good shape financially.

**Journal Report.** Taylor and Francis, the publisher, believes things are in pretty good shape (200 additional pages in 2011 and IASNR could purchase an additional 100 to 200 pages and 200 in 2012 and continuing after that). This is part of the plan to deal with the acceptance backlog. There has been an agreement to initiate *iFirst*, which should address the existing backlog over the next six months. Submissions went from 180 to nearly 300 last year; however, submissions are down about 20 to 25% this year. There will be an announcement in the *Journal* about the acceptance rate and *iFirst*. The co-editors will monitor and track submissions to assure we continue to address the backlog. This is a great problem to have, but we don't want to push people away from the *Journal*. We did succeed in expanding international submissions. Our decision time has increased with Review Central; however, there are issues finding reviewers (sometimes 10 or more people refuse to review). The co-editors asked people to sign up to review submissions, especially international papers. A question was raised about the last appeal to the membership about volunteering. There was a suggestion that anyone submitting a paper, even international, be added to the reviewer list.

We need to communicate more frequently with our members. Maybe we should be doing a quarterly newsletter. Take some

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of our funds to do this. Could we set up a social interaction network with the membership? Would a listserve work?

Tom indicated Patricia received a well-deserved raise for all of the work she does for the Journal.

**2010 Meeting.** Gene Theodori indicated it had been an honor and privilege to host this meeting on behalf of Sam Houston. The meeting could have been held on campus in Huntsville, but lodging was an issue. Gene offered the following advice: This year, people could create an account, submit an abstract, and have it accepted all before paying registration fees. A number of people did this but never withdrew their abstract when they decided not to attend the meeting. When people do not pay, they should be removed from the program.

IASNR had signed a contract for this site and had an agreement on the number of beds. Some people have now moved onto the site to help fill the block. This meeting was budgeted at 500 attendees. Vienna also showed a deficit, but not as bad as the organizers thought. Before the current meeting it was possible to cut the “bed” guarantee from 1,200 rooms to 900+ on April 1 - a 23% reduction. As well, food and beverage costs were reduced and people have been happy with what has been provided. Cheryl was thanked for working with Omni Hotel to reduce food costs. Naomi Krogman has met the host location in Edmonton, the location for ISSRM 2012, about blocking rooms – attendance is dropping and the release date is important and to do this may mean higher room rates.

**2011 Meeting.** Response from the Malaysian host has been problematic. They are slow to respond. Initially, they were offsetting costs for others against North Americans. This was a potential issue in Vienna as well, but was resolved. When the ISSRM is international, memberships decline – the sustaining members don’t participate. Al had communicated with Malaysia about the potential for cancelling the meeting scheduled for 2011 in Malaysia with agreement from the Executive Committee.

However, there is evidence that some Australians and Asians continue to believe Malaysia will be a good venue and have demonstrated this by offering the hosts some support funds. Moreover, IASNR made a commitment and would need a very good reason for cancelling. It was felt that some current members of the IASNR would be unhappy with a decision to cancel and Council would need a good rationale for changing venues at this late stage. In addition, Council would need to have a plan in place for dealing with this type of situation in the future. Clearly the global economic situation is having an effect

on the willingness of members to attend conferences, particularly those held in international venues. While our financial situation is stable right now, another significant meeting financial failure would create a major problem as reflected in a very small sustaining membership.

To address the Malaysia issue, three options were advanced: (1) change the venue in 2011 and not entertain another proposal from Malaysia; (2) change the venue and entertain another Malaysian proposal in the future; and (3) have two ISSRM meetings in the same year (Malaysia and somewhere else). A proposed alternative location was Madison, Wisconsin. This is not firm, but Don Field is willing to host the meeting. There are recently renovated buildings and facilities on the Madison campus. We could recoup some of our losses from the Corpus meetings in Madison if we were to meet there. There is a Malaysian representative at the 2010 meeting. A suggestion was made to explore venues in Hawaii, a place in between. Given our timeframe, this was considered unrealistic. About 150 Australians have committed to attend the Malaysian ISSRM.

The idea of sponsoring two meetings this year — one in North America and one in Malaysia – generated support and discussion. Ideas were offered about how they could be made concurrent with video conferencing links. The two meetings could run nearly concurrently, maybe overlapping. However, if we were to do this, it would greatly reduce the number of North Americans who would attend the international venue.

For 2011, the proposed dates are June 13-17 for Malaysia and June 6-10 in Wisconsin – where we anticipate being able to attract 500 to 600 attendees. Malaysia would likely draw 200 to 300. We have had meetings in two locations on three occasions. Two meetings in 2011 would reduce the effort for Malaysia and lower cost with smaller numbers.

Rich Stedman called the question on the meeting location. The vote was to have two meetings in 2011. The motion passed.

**2012 Meeting in Alberta, Canada.** Naomi Krogman has an organizational committee of three people. She has about 12 others willing to help on campus. Parks Canada originally put in \$40,000, but has for now withdrawn this offer. No other sponsors have been identified. She will work with Paulus Mau to create a web site. She has rooms booked on campus.

**Student Awards.** Had 12 papers submitted (5 PhD and 7 Masters). Some were really top shelf and good quality. The

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## IASNR Annual Membership Meeting Minutes

### IASNR Annual Membership Meeting June 9, 2010 Corpus Christi, TX

**Council Members Present:** Jean Mangun, Angela Mertig, Al Luloff, Jim Finley, Rick Krannich, and Tom Beckley

Al Luloff began the meeting by thanking Gene Theodori for his management and organization of the Corpus Christi meeting. Gene recognized Paulus Mau for his work on the web site and registration. Although she wasn't present, Gene also recognized Cheryl Hudec who served as the conference coordinator. The official count of attendees for the meeting was 266. There had been 266 abstracts originally submitted; 41 withdrew; 51 poster abstracts were submitted, 11 withdrew.

Secretary Jerry Vaske was not in attendance; therefore, there was no Secretary Report. The Treasurer's Report indicated a combined balance in the IASNR and ISSRM accounts of \$200,882.78.

**Nominations Report.** Elected for Council were Angela Mertig, Middle Tennessee State University, Tom Fish, Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units, Naomi Krogman, University of Alberta-Edmonton, Steve Selin, West Virginia University, and Chris Raymond (student representative), University of South Australia.

**Society and Natural Resources (SNR) Journal.** Tom Beckley, Co-editor, reported a plan was in place to address the existing article backlog. SNR will go to 12 issues in 2010 and there will be 200 extra pages added to that year's 12 issues at no cost to IASNR. Taylor and Francis has agreed to move *SNR* to *iFirst*, which will allow them to format, paginate, and publish six months of the journal on the web. This way, authors will be able to "count" articles as published when they appear on the web. Tom also reported the Journal's impact factor was up again this year, marginally. There is a new book review editor – Dave D. White, Arizona State University. Tom and Troy Hall, the other co-editors will complete their terms at the end of 2011. A committee is searching for new editors.

**Social Ecology Press (SEP).** SEP was purchased by IASNR in December 2009. We have been selling books and have a debt of about \$5,500 and a large book inventory. Members will receive a 10 percent discount on book purchases. Those in attendance were asked to use SEP books in instruction. *The Social Impact Assessment* 3-book series is the biggest seller.

**Paper Competition.** Jean Mangun reported on the "paper competition." She proposed applicants submit Letters of Intent (LOIs) every year from the student and their mentor to

determine student standing. The papers were generally very good this year and the winners were exceptional.

**Student Chapters.** No Report.

**New Member Committee.** At this year's new member meeting, there were about 20 new members and 10 IASNR officers, council members, and SNR journal editors in attendance. Based on discussion at the Council meeting, it was decided that the mentor program will continue. There will be another appeal to members through email for additional mentors. Students are still inquiring about the mentor program and it is a relatively low cost program for members to support. The mentor sign-up form is on the website.

Rick Krannich noted about half the attendees at this meeting were students. He suggested a plan be formulated for contacting "dropped" members and those who had not attended this year's meeting. Al indicated the Association would do this. An email was sent to 1,200 unique names asking these previous members to rejoin and it yielded seven new memberships. The Association has not asked those who have stepped away what it would take to bring them back. Maybe we should invite ex-members to attend next year's dual meetings?

**ISSRM 2011.** There will be two regional meetings in 2011: June 4-8, Madison, Wisconsin, USA, and June 13-17, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia. (At the time of this annual meeting the dates had not been set for Wisconsin. The dates shown here were confirmed shortly after the 2010 ISSRM closing). The 1992 ISSRM was held at the University of Wisconsin.

There was a suggestion that the Association contact a marketing school to explore ideas for advertising ISSRMs. Al indicated we will check on this. Becky Schewe will help with this project. Maybe we could do a quarterly electronic newsletter. We have not in the past made investments in these types of outreach efforts. We need to think about doing this, as others are. We need to do something innovative. Rick Krannich will call 30 people who have dropped out of IASNR to learn about their choice decision. Courtney Flint also volunteered to call 30 lapsed members.

Currently there is a job listing on the website. Could this be turned into a listserve? This could be done. It was also noted that students use Facebook; however, faculty might be more likely to use listserves.

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There was another reminder to members to remember our SEP bookstore when people are looking for course books this next year.

Clearly, there was concern about how to strategize on how to get more people to attend the general membership meeting. It is listed in the program every year. Maybe attendees do not understand that this is a general membership meeting and they should attend? Maybe a door prize drawing would increase attendance? Courtney Flint will make sure the membership announcement is in the Madison program in 2012. There will be business meetings in both of the regional locations next year – Sabah will be an official IASNR meeting.

Looking to technology, there was a suggestion to have a virtual link of the two meetings if they coincide. There was a discussion about the Association's capacity to respond to many ideas and requests. Rick Krannich reminded attendees that the organization's leadership serve as volunteers and they have limited capacity. We need more volunteers. Doug and Tamala Smith volunteered to look into a way to expand volunteer capacity and possibly link the meetings.

Then, discussion turned to the 2013 meeting. Rodrigo Medeiros, from Rio de Janeiro State University, had indicated an interest in hosting the meeting. He had hosted an

international meeting for 500 in 2004. He requested information on the process for submitting an official bid. Hunt University in Africa is also considering putting a bid. The big challenge for location bidders is developing a budget for 400 and having the capacity to support the meeting and obtaining university sponsorship. Travel access and flexible space for sessions and students are critical. Rick Krannich noted there is a one page form addressing key considerations for hosting a meeting, and there are several examples of recently accepted proposals. After the Park City meeting, there was a meeting organizer's manual assembled.

Council will have a conference call this year and will talk about decoupling from a commitment to have an international meeting every other year. Certainly we can have an international location every few years.

There is a committee for site selection.

Courtney Flint reflected on the frequency and mode of member communication. Maybe we need to have Facebook capacity for reaching people. Is this a role for students? Carena van Riper had a Facebook page, but it is now down. This is a reality – people communicate this way. Maybe this is a job for the Student Affairs Committee. There was a suggestion to form an ad hoc committee to explore this idea. It was understood that the

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winners receive \$300 and can send back a certificate to receive Taylor and Francis products. IASNR awards a plaque and Jean Mangun had a plaque made as well.

**Students.** Stephanie Malin is the outgoing student committee member. The Student Forum was very successful. There were 50 signed up and about 40 attended the event. The Quiz Bowl worked with the attendees. A budget for student committee was presented requesting \$5,300. It would cover the Quiz Bowl and improve student participation. The student committee has three to five conference calls annually with the focus on increasing student participation. Don Field asked for a Student Forum agenda from this year to prepare for next year. There was no field trip this year as part of the Student Forum. Don offered this could occur next year and it would be useful for folks.

**Member Committee.** Kathy Halvorsen has linked up eight mentors with students this year. She has had difficulty enrolling

members in this program. There was a recommendation that we drop the mentor program, but in the end it was decided we should try again. It was suggested we email a mentor enrollment form to each member. If there are other ideas, pass them on to Kathy.

**Policy on International Sites.** A proposal was made to discuss this in a council meeting call this year.

**New Business.** Should we do a new State of Knowledge book in 2011 or update the 2004 book? No decision was made.

**Bylaws and Constitution.** Need volunteers. Rich Stedman and Angela Mertig volunteered.

A question was raised about the student paper competition: Would it occur at two sites next year? Jean Mangun was asked to put together a team to deal with this question.

Having no further business and having run out of time, the meeting adjourned.

## IASNR Secretary-Treasurer Report

### Financial Statement for IASNR and ISSRM

An external audit of the combined IASNR and ISSRM Accounts was done in December 2010 by Tim Ronan, principal in Stanton, Echard, and Ronan LLC (Certified Public Accounts) when the 2009 taxes were filed.

According to records maintained by the IASNR office, on June 1, 2010, we had 441 members (on approximately the same date in 2009, we had 564 members).

As of November 1, 2010 we had the following resources in our IASNR and ISSRM accounts.

#### IASNR

a) Business Checking Account	66,487.13
b) Premium Savings	18,534.12
c) Money Market	19,639.63
d) PayPal	4,439.22
Total	109,100.10

#### ISSRM

a) Business Checking Account	48,379.31
b) Business Green Checking	250.00
c) Money Market	44,554.16
d) PayPal	100.00
Total	93,283.47
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>202,383.57</b>

### IASNR Teleconference Meeting Minutes October 9, 2009

**Attendees:** Jim Absher, Joan Brehm, Matt Carroll, Jim Finley, Troy Hall, Kathy Halvorsen, Linda Kruger, Al Luloff, Stephanie Malin, Jean Mangun, Angela Mertig, Richard Stedman, Jerry Vaske

#### **Call to order; discussion of minutes from July 7, 2009, Council Meeting (Finley)**

- The meeting was called to order at 3 p.m. Eastern time
- The meeting minutes from July 7, 2009 were reviewed and unanimously approved.

#### **Update on tax status / forms, budget issues, IASNR memberships, member directory (Luloff and Finley)**

- The IASNR 2008 taxes have been filed
- The income taxes were more complicated this year due to the need to prove non-profit status
- The accountant recommended:
  1. Developing a conflict of interest process for board members
  2. Creating a policy on the retention of records
  3. Making the 1990 form for 501C available on request.
- In general, the budget is in good shape; mostly because of the North American meetings (see further discussion below)
- As of June 7, 2009, IASNR had 564 members. On this same date in 2008, there were 815 members
- Membership status by year is summarized below:

Membership Year	Number of Members
2006	967
2007	815
2008	849
2009	646

- The new electronic member directory is available at: [http://www.iasnr.org/index.php?L1=left\\_home.php&L2=body\\_Membership.php](http://www.iasnr.org/index.php?L1=left_home.php&L2=body_Membership.php).

#### **Update on ISSRM-09-Vienna (Luloff)**

- There were 440 attendees at the Vienna conference
- Of these, 398 paid the registration fees

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- The Vienna budget has not as yet been reconciled. Preliminary accounting suggests that the Vienna conference may have lost approximately \$8,000. It is not clear whether this amount is in Euros or American dollars.

### ISSRM 2010 program committee update (Luloff)

- The 2010 ISSRM will be held in Corpus Christi, Texas, June 6-10
- Details regarding the conference can be found at <http://www.issrm2010.iasnr.org>
- Conference planning currently in progress
- A donation of \$10,000 for the meetings has been received from one of the gas companies
- A brochure to encourage sponsorship has been developed and is being distributed in Texas and is available for use by members in an effort to secure additional support.

### Graduate Student Paper Review Committee Report (Mangun)

- Jean Mangun will chair the Graduate Student Paper Review Committee
- Angelia Mertig agreed to serve on the committee
- Additional committee members will be identified. Troy Hall agreed to ask an SNR International Associate Editor to participate on committee
- Jean agreed to prepare an article for *Keeping in Touch*
- The requirements for graduate student submissions need to be clarified
- Masters and Ph.D. student submissions are treated separately
- Taylor and Francis provide award recipients with a cash prize
- IASNR presents award recipients with a plaque.

### Nominations Committee update and report (Kruger and Carroll)

- The Nominating Committee selects candidates for Council positions who will stand for election by secret postal ballot. Council appoints six members, three from Council and three from the General Assembly, to the Nominating Committee representing the balance identified in the SNR Constitution, Article 6.1
- Linda and Matt have identified potential committee members
- Discussion focused on expanding the committee to be more inclusive
- Carroll raised the issue of "who runs against whom?"

- A variety of alternatives are possible:
  1. Article 4 of the bylaws states: The Council shall be broadly representative of the membership reflecting a balance of: (a) Disciplinary orientations in the social sciences; (b) Natural resource management fields; and (c) Professional practice
  2. The intent of the bylaws is to be broadly representative of the organization
  3. More specific alternatives were discussed; for example:
    - Ensure representation from international interests, government/agencies and general population of organization
    - Select the top 3 vote getters
    - May need a policy regarding graduate student representation.
  4. There was agreement that:
    - Self nominations should be discouraged
    - Nominees should be active members (broadly defined) in IASNR.
- Matt and Linda agreed to serve on the committee to identify who will serve and (with assistance from others) will put together a slate of candidates
- The nomination deadline is December 15.

### Progress on status of "Distinguished Contributions" award (Stedman)

- Need to establish formal criteria for who receives the award
- Luloff, Finley, and Stedman agreed to serve on a committee to establish the criteria
- The intent is to have the criteria clarified and identify recipient(s) by the 2010 meetings
- Discussion focused on the type award (e.g., plaque, personalized gift – maximum dollar amount of \$250, subscription to *Society and Natural Resources*).

### Membership Committee Report and Mentoring recommendations (Halvorsen)

- Approximately 30-40 individuals attended the meeting in Vienna to discuss the concept of mentoring
- To date, no new mentors have volunteered
- Halvorsen will send an email solicitation requesting involvement as mentors. Approximate time commitment from a mentor is 1 hour per month
- Approximately 7-10 students have requested a mentor.

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### **Discussion of site locations for future meetings–2011 Malaysia; 2012 British Columbia; and Policy on Venue Selection – (Luloff and Finley)**

- A contract has been approved for the 2011 meetings in Malaysia
- Currently, Malaysia cannot guarantee the number paying attendees as specified in the contract
- If Malaysia fails to meet contractual obligations, an alternative location is being considered
- A committee (Luloff, Finley, Carroll, Vaske, Malin) was formed to address selection of future meeting location issues (e.g., meetings outside of North America might occur every 3<sup>rd</sup> year).

### **Discussion of commitment and costs to organization of holding rotating meetings between North American and an international site (Luloff)**

- The committee identified above (Luloff, Finley, Carroll, Vaske, Malin) will address this issue and report back to Council.

### **Role/place for Web-based presentations for non-attendees (keynotes, others) (Luloff and Finley)**

- A committee (Halvorsen and Stedman) will explore the pros and cons of web-based presentations for individuals who cannot attend ISSRM meetings and report back to Council.

### **Keeping in Touch Newsletter ideas? (Luloff)**

- The *Keeping in Touch* Newsletter will include the following articles/reports:

- Summary of the ISSRM 2009 meeting in Vienna (Luloff and Finley)
- Discussion of the new member directory (TBD)
- Membership status (Finley)
- General budget status (Finley)
- Update on ISSRM 2010 program (Theodori)
- Update on *Society and Natural Resources* (Hall and Beckley)
- Graduate Student Paper Review Committee report (Mangun)
- Nominations Committee report (Kruger and Carroll)
- “Distinguished Contributions” award Committee report (Stedman)
- Membership Committee report and Mentoring recommendations (Halvorsen)
- Location of future meetings (Luloff).
- Submissions are due by the 1<sup>st</sup> week of November.

### **Need for new ad hoc committee to address constitution and bylaw revisions (Luloff)**

- A committee (Carroll, Finley, Kruger, Luloff, Brehm) was formed to address constitution and bylaw revisions
- The committee will report back to Council.

### **Other business?**

- No new business items were identified.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. Eastern time.



## IASNR Professional Opportunities and Announcements

### Free Employment Listings and Announcements on IASNR Website

As a service to its members and the professional community, IASNR provides free listings of professional employment openings, graduate assistantships and fellowships, conference announcements, and other professional opportunities on the IASNR website ([www.iasnr.org](http://www.iasnr.org)). These items are contained in two website pages that can be accessed via the buttons at the top of the main page – one labeled “Professional Opportunities” and one labeled “Announcements.” If you have material that you wish to have considered for listing, please contact the IASNR business office ([IASNR@psu.edu](mailto:IASNR@psu.edu)).

## IASNR Professional Opportunities

### Tenure Track Position Announcement Social Science and Climate Change College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Cornell University

**Cornell University** recently established a Climate Change Initiative as part of its Center for a Sustainable Future. The Center is serving to focus and integrate the growing interest across academic departments in climate change to help find solutions to this pressing world issue. As part of the Climate Change Initiative, the Center is facilitating the hiring of several faculty members over the next three years in the social sciences, humanities, biological and physical sciences, and engineering (see [www.ccsf.cornell.edu](http://www.ccsf.cornell.edu) for more information).

In this announcement we are seeking applications from social scientists for a tenure track position at the ASSISTANT or ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR rank. The position will involve 50% research and 50% teaching responsibilities and the individual will be expected to develop an internationally recognized and externally funded social science research program in the area of climate change. Qualified applicants from any social science field must have an established record of scholarship with clear relevance to climate change issues, and should have demonstrated ability to participate in and/or lead interdisciplinary projects with teams. Some level of grounding in the biogeochemical or ecological aspects of climate change, or a track record that demonstrates successful collaboration with these elements, will be viewed positively, as our vision is to hire someone capable of bridging social and biophysical sciences in line with the traditions of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Additionally, demonstrated ability to engage with non-academic audiences in industry, civil society and/or government in research is expected. The scope of the position is intentionally broad and a wide range of research areas will be

considered. This “open department” search seeks to place outstanding candidates in departments they best match. Potential home departments are Applied Economics and Management, Communication, Development Sociology, and Natural Resources. There is potential for a multi-departmental appointment if appointment is at the rank of associate professor.

Applicants should submit a cover letter indicating why they are a good candidate for this position and this Initiative, including a statement of research and teaching interests, together with a curriculum vitae. All materials, which may include one or two reprints, should be submitted electronically as a single PDF file to Prof. David Wolfe, Search Committee Chair, c/o Kelly Tillotson, [klt8@cornell.edu](mailto:klt8@cornell.edu). Three letters of recommendation are also requested. Applications will be reviewed through January 15, 2011, or until a suitable candidate is identified.

Cornell University, located in Ithaca, New York, is an inclusive, dynamic, and innovative Ivy League university and New York's land-grant institution. Cornell University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action educator and employer. Applications from women and minorities are encouraged.

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### Department Head Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology Utah State University

The Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology at Utah State University seeks applications for the position of Department Head. The department is seeking an effective and dynamic academic and administrative leader who will foster excellence in research, teaching, and outreach/service. Recent

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organizational changes at the college level makes this an ideal time for a new Department Head to help shape the future of the department and the college. The department consists of 29 faculty spread across three strong and vibrant programs in Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology.

Utah State University is a Doctoral/Carnegie Research Extensive University located in a beautiful mountain valley 80 miles north of Salt Lake City. Utah State University is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. USU is sensitive to the needs of dual-career applicants and dedicated to recruiting candidates from a diverse pool, including women, minorities, veterans, and persons with disabilities.

Candidates must have a PhD in Sociology, Social Work, or Anthropology and an excellent academic record commensurate with the position of a tenured professor. Please go to <http://sswa.usu.edu> for more information about the department, its programs, and the position, including a list of responsibilities and preferred qualifications.

The position is available July 1, 2011, and the salary is competitive. Review of applications will begin December 1, 2010 and will continue until the position is filled. Applications should be submitted online (<http://jobs.usu.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=55410>) and should include a letter of interest, complete curriculum vitae, and three letters of recommendation.

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### **Assistant Professor**

#### **Department of Geography & Environmental Studies Northeastern Illinois University**

Northeastern Illinois University, The Department of Geography & Environmental Studies seeks applicants for a tenure track assistant professor position beginning August 2011. PhD is required at time of appointment. The successful candidate will support the Geography and the Environmental Studies undergraduate programs as well as the graduate program in the broader area of human-environmental interaction. The Department seeks an energetic individual who will develop and teach courses in applied natural resource management (such as invasive species management, sustainable agriculture, or environmental restoration), environmental education and interpretation, and biogeography. The candidate should demonstrate a strong potential to conduct and guide research within these areas at the undergraduate and graduate level as well as have a commitment to effective teaching and a willingness to participate in student advisement. The

Department has access to a large field station with excellent research and restoration management opportunities and a history of innovations in field studies and internships. NEIU is a commuter university (approximately 12,000 students) in an easily accessible residential area on the far north side of Chicago.

Applications must include vitae with e-mail address, three letters of reference (with at least one evaluating teaching competency/potential), teaching evaluations if possible, and a statement of teaching philosophy and research plan. **Screening begins November 15, 2010 and continues until position is filled.** NEIU is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and invites applications from women and minorities as well as other qualified individuals.

**Apply to** Dr. Abhijit Banerjee, Chair of the Search and Screen Committee, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, Northeastern Illinois University, 5500 N. St. Louis Ave., Chicago, IL 60625. Voice-mail: (773) 442-5640 Email: [A-Banerjee1@neiu.edu](mailto:A-Banerjee1@neiu.edu).

**Website:** <http://www.neiu.edu/~deptges>

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### **Assistant/Associate Professors Department of Social Sciences Michigan Technological University**

The Department of Social Sciences at Michigan Technological University seeks to hire up to two colleagues to strengthen its interdisciplinary Masters and Ph.D. programs in Environmental and Energy Policy. The ideal candidate(s) will have a research record articulating with one of the traditional social science or policy fields, developed interests in one or more policy areas (for example, energy, water, sustainability, international development, or environmental justice) and plans for, or a record of, securing external research funding. Strongest applicants will demonstrate an ability to teach methods such as geospatial, survey, or qualitative methods. Teaching load (typically 2 per semester) includes undergraduate courses in her/his social sciences disciplines, plus teaching, advising and directing graduate students. These are tenure track positions at the Assistant and/or Associate Professor level, to begin August 2011. Ph.D. required. Michigan Technological University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Educational Institution/Employer. Minority candidates and women are encouraged to apply.

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The Department of Social Sciences offers undergraduate programs in anthropology, history, and social science education, two M.S. programs (Environmental Policy and Industrial Archaeology) and two Ph.D. programs (Industrial Heritage and Archaeology, Environmental and Energy Policy). For additional information, see:

<http://www.ss.mtu.edu/EP/EnvironmentalPolicyFacultySearches.htm>

Michigan Tech, a research university with 7,000 undergraduate and graduate students, values cross-disciplinary faculty and student contributions to global sustainability. Our strong emphasis on environmental sustainability research, led by the Sustainable Futures Institute (<http://www.sfi.mtu.edu/index.php>), Center for Water and Society, and Ecosystem Science Center, makes it an exciting location for interdisciplinary U.S. and international applied social science research. Located on Lake Superior in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, its community offers year-round recreational and cultural opportunities. This environment, combined with a competitive compensation package and a low cost of living, results in an excellent quality of life. Michigan Tech is an ADVANCE institution, one of a limited number of universities in receipt of NSF funds in support of our commitment to increase diversity and the participation and advancement of women in STEM fields. We also have a Dual Career Assistance Program (DCAP), which facilitates the hiring of partners of strategic hires. The website for our DCAP is: <http://www.dual.mtu.edu/>.

Applicants should send a letter of interest describing their qualifications and experience, a research statement, a teaching statement, a curriculum vitae, and the contact information for three references. Review of the applications will begin on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010, and continue until the positions are filled. Materials may be sent to: Kathy Halvorsen, Search Committee Chair, Department of Social Sciences, Michigan Technological University, 1400 Townsend Drive, Houghton, MI 49931-1295; [kehalvor@mtu.edu](mailto:kehalvor@mtu.edu) or 906.487.2824.

In addition to the present search, strategic hiring initiatives with up to ten new positions in "Next Generation Energy Systems" and "Health: Basic Sciences, Technologies and Medical Informatics" are in their second year and qualified candidates are encouraged to send a second application, following the "How to Apply" guidelines at <http://www.mtu.edu/sfhi>.

### **MS Assistantship Human Dimensions of Wildlife Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN**

A highly motivated student is sought to assess awareness, attitudes, and behaviors related to eastern hellbenders in Indiana. The student will write and conduct mail surveys in three different watersheds and will survey local resource users in person. The student will analyze the data and help to design an educational intervention based on the survey results. Finally the student will conduct post surveys to see if awareness, attitudes, and behaviors have changed as a result of the educational intervention. The student will be co-advised by Drs. Linda Prokopy and Rod Williams.

Students with a strong interest in conducting quality social science research into the human dimensions of wildlife should apply. Applicants must have a strong work ethic and the ability to work both independently and as a member of an active Natural Resource Social Science lab. Good interpersonal skills are essential. Prior experience with survey design and theories of behavior change would be beneficial but not required. Potential applicants are encouraged to visit <http://www.ag.purdue.edu/fnr/Pages/graduatestudents.aspx> to ensure they meet the minimum departmental requirements for admission. To apply, electronically submit a cover letter stating research and career interests, CV (including cumulative GPA and GRE scores), and contact information for three references to Dr. Linda Prokopy ([lprokopy@purdue.edu](mailto:lprokopy@purdue.edu)).

**Application Deadline:** November 25, 2010 or until a suitable candidate is found

**Start Date:** January 2011

**Websites:**

<http://www.ag.purdue.edu/fnr/pages/lprokopy.asp>

<http://www.ag.purdue.edu/fnr/pages/rodw.aspx>

**Contact:** Dr. Linda Prokopy

E-mail: [lprokopy@purdue.edu](mailto:lprokopy@purdue.edu)

Phone: 765-496-2221

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### **Graduate Research Assistantship Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources University of Georgia**

**Research Assistantship:** One M.S. or Ph.D. graduate assistantship will be available beginning Fall 2011 to work on

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## IASNR Professional Opportunities, continued

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research projects in the general area of Nature-based Recreation and Tourism. The student will be based at the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, and work with Dr. Neelam C. Poudyal and other faculties at the school. Research will concentrate on the socioeconomic and human dimensions aspect of outdoor recreation and natural resource management. Responsibilities of the selected student will include collecting and analyzing socioeconomic data on forest and nature based recreation, and writing technical reports and manuscripts for peer-reviewed journals. Prospective students wishing to pursue their own research interests may also be considered.

**Stipend:** This research assistantship will include a stipend of approximately \$18,425/year for Ph.D. for three and half years, and \$17,045/year for M.S. student for two years. It will also include tuition waiver and university supplement to health insurance. Student will be responsible for miscellaneous student fees.

**Qualifications:** Bachelor's Degree in Forestry, Natural Resource Conservation, Outdoor Recreation or Park Management, Environmental Studies or related field. Applicants for Ph.D. program should hold a Masters degree in a related field. The selected candidate is expected to have strong interest on social science aspects of natural resources and passion for outdoor recreation. Details of graduate program admission requirement at Warnell can be found at <http://warnell.uga.edu/grad/index.php>.

**Application Materials:** Applicants should submit a statement of research interests, CV, copies of academic transcripts, GRE scores and three reference letters to Dr. Neelam C. Poudyal.

**Deadline:** Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

**Contact:** Dr. Neelam C. Poudyal, Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources, University of Georgia, 180 E. Green Street, Athens, GA 30602. Tel: 706-583-8930; Email: [npoudyal@warnell.uga.edu](mailto:npoudyal@warnell.uga.edu).

**University of Georgia:** The University of Georgia ([www.uga.edu](http://www.uga.edu)), founded in 1785, is a land grant/sea grant institution comprised of 16 schools and colleges. Enrollment includes approximately 33,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students.

**The Daniel B. Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources**, founded in 1905, is a professional school with 54 faculty, 200 undergraduates, and 174 graduate students ([www.warnell.uga.edu](http://www.warnell.uga.edu)). The School offers Bachelor of Science,

Master of Forest Resources, Master of Natural Resources, Master of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees. Majors in the School include forestry, fisheries and wildlife, natural resources recreation and tourism, and water and soil resources. The School has a 740-acre forest less than 10 minutes from campus and 23,000 acres of forestland across the state for teaching and research.

### Graduate Research Opportunity

The Faculty of Forestry and Environmental Management, University of New Brunswick, is seeking five graduate students for research on "A Collaborative Research Partnership for Sustainable Forest Management." The project is funded by the Social Science and Humanities Research Council through its Community-University Research Alliances program. Four M.Sc. assistantships and one Ph.D. assistantship will be available beginning in 2011.



#### **Project 1: Collaborative Mapping for Conserved Habitats**

Supervisor: Dr. Graham Forbes ([forbes@unb.ca](mailto:forbes@unb.ca))  
Beginning: 2011

#### **Project 2: Managing Old Forests in a Changing Climate**

Supervisor: Dr. David MacLean ([maclean@unb.ca](mailto:maclean@unb.ca))  
Beginning: 2012

#### **Project 3: Public Participation in Forest Auditing and Certification**

Supervisor: Dr. Tom Beckley ([beckley@unb.ca](mailto:beckley@unb.ca))  
Beginning 2011

#### **Project 4: Increasing Forest Certification in New Brunswick**

Supervisor: Dr. Thom Erdle ([erdle@unb.ca](mailto:erdle@unb.ca))  
Beginning: 2011

#### **Project 5: Testing Competing Theories to Predict the Success of Collaborative Processes (Ph.D.)**

Supervisor: Dr. Don Floyd ([dfloyd@unb.ca](mailto:dfloyd@unb.ca))  
Beginning: 2012

Cooperating organizations: J.D. Irving, Ltd., Nature Trust of New Brunswick, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, Nature Conservancy Canada, Atlantic Canada Conservation Data Centre, Université de Moncton, Bird Studies Canada, Fundy Model Forest, RESOLVE.

If interested, please contact Jeanne Moore ([jmoore2@unb.ca](mailto:jmoore2@unb.ca)) or the project supervisor.

## 2011 ISSRM — Madison, Wisconsin, continued

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Lower Wisconsin River. This popular canoeing river meanders through the bluffs, sandbars, oak forests, prairies, and farms of the unglaciated Driftless Area. We will explore the dynamics of landscape conservation in a mosaic of public and private land, and the development of a unique state scenic protection regulatory authority on the river. We will discuss the politics of conservation, recreation, forest management, and rural development. We plan a half-day canoe trip, with time to stop along the river for lunch, meet with local community leaders, and experience the diverse social and ecological communities along the river.

**Monday, June 6: Silent Auction.** This new ISSRM conference event will be held on the evening of **June 6**, and is intended to raise

funds to support student scholarships for ISSRM 2012 (to be held in Edmonton, Canada). We are asking all ISSRM participants to consider bringing an item to donate to the silent auction. We encourage people to bring an item that represents their locality or region. For more information, please refer to the website ([http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org/index.php?L1=left\\_program.php&L2=body\\_program\\_Special\\_Events.php](http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org/index.php?L1=left_program.php&L2=body_program_Special_Events.php)).

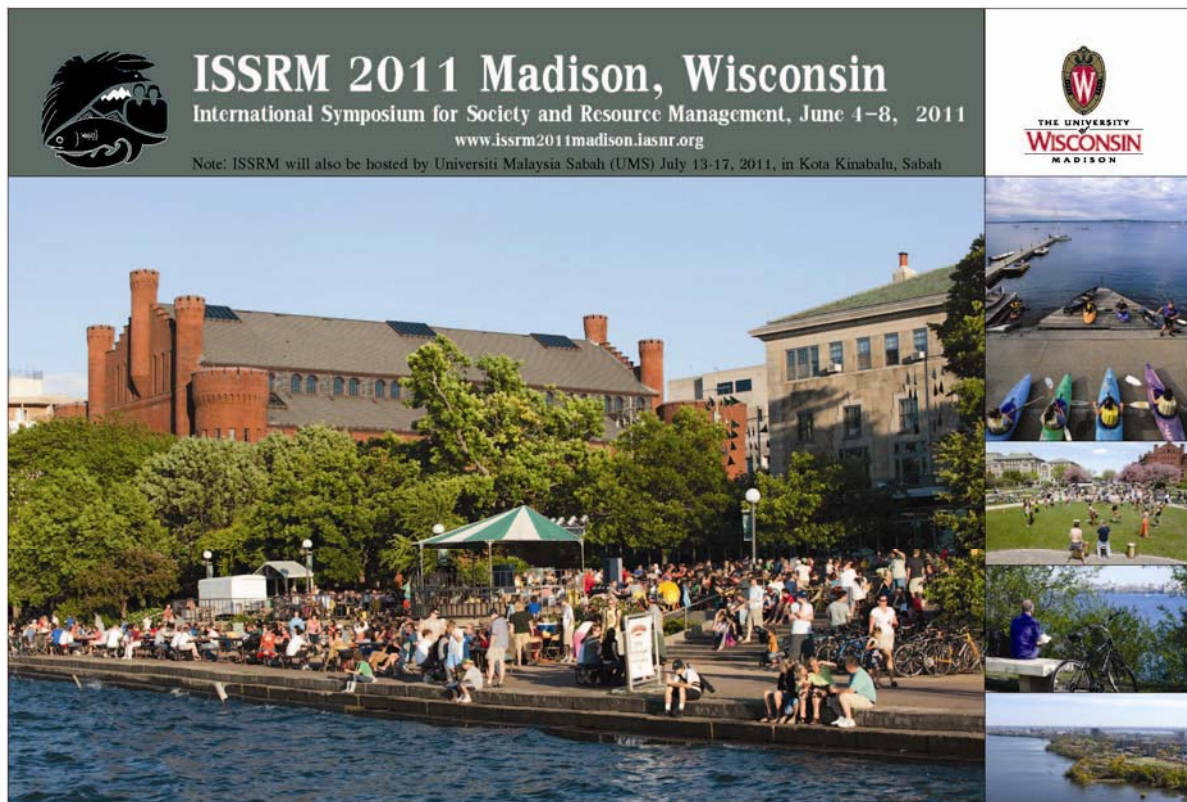
**Tuesday, June 7: Famous Memorial Union Terrace "Brat and Brew Picnic."** Join your fellow ISSRM participants for a wonderful taste of local food and beverage while taking in the beautiful view of Lake Mendota from the University of Wisconsin Memorial Union.

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**Mark your calendars and plan to join us in Madison June 4-8, 2011  
for the 17<sup>th</sup> ISSRM!**

**Visit the website for all the details:**

<http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org>





## 2011 ISSRM — Madison Student Forum Information

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### ISSRM Student Forum Information

One of the hallmarks of ISSRM has been a strong commitment to student participation. The Student Forum was created to support this goal by providing professional support for students and encouraging involvement in the International Association for Society and Natural Resources.

The student forum in Madison this year will focus on professional support for graduate students as they pursue their studies and begin new careers. The advice and information will be relevant to both masters and doctoral students and for academic and non-academic careers. We hope you'll join us for a day of fun, encouragement, and collaboration.

#### Date

**Saturday, June 4, 2011**

#### Registration

If you are interested in participating in the 4th annual Student Forum, please include this option in your registration for the ISSRM meeting. There will be **no registration fee** for this year's event.

If you are interested in participating in the CV and cover letter workshops, please include this option in your registration for the ISSRM meeting. We will contact you with details.

If you have already registered, you are still able to go back into the registration system and check the box next to Student Forum to let us know that you are planning to attend.

#### Location

The Student Forum will be held in the Sewell Social Sciences building, home of the Sociology department.

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journal subscription and your access to other member benefits.

To minimize delays in receiving the initial 2011 issues for your subscription to ***Society and Natural Resources***, please be sure to submit your membership renewal information right away (our thanks to those who have already renewed). Those who renew late (and whose membership classification includes a journal subscription) will receive all twelve issues of ***SNR*** as one of the benefits of IASNR membership. However, a delay in renewing or initiating your membership will inevitably lead to delays in subscription fulfillment. Also, since a current IASNR membership is required for participation in the International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (ISSRM) conferences to be held

#### Lodging

Housing for ISSRM 2011 Madison will be in both hotels and campus dormitories. We recommend the dormitories as a comfortable, low-cost, and convenient housing option. Rooms will be available beginning **Friday, June 3**.

#### Food

To keep the Student Forum registration free, we do not plan to offer food at this time. Students are welcome to bring their own food and drinks, if desired.

#### Mentor Program

We also invite students to participate in IASNR's mentor program to receive advice and support at the conference (<http://www.iasnr.org/Mentor.pdf>).

#### More Information

For more information on the Student Forum, contact Becky Schewe, [schewe@wisc.edu](mailto:schewe@wisc.edu).

### Quiz Bowl

The IASNR Student Affairs Committee is pleased to announce that the 3rd annual ISSRM Student "Quiz Bowl" will be held at the 2011 ISSRM. This event will be a spirited competition among several university-based teams of students to provide both participants and the audience with a fun experience while enhancing their awareness of social science issues applied to the environment and natural resources. **Each individual on the winning team will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate from Taylor and Francis publishing company.**

If you are interested in participating in the Quiz Bowl, please contact Becky Schewe, [schewe@wisc.edu](mailto:schewe@wisc.edu).

this June in **Madison, Wisconsin, USA**, and **Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia**, renewing your membership now will make it simpler to take care of conference registration.

The annual membership cost for professional members remains \$100 per year. Membership dues for students who wish to receive a subscription to ***Society and Natural Resources*** also remains \$60 per year, and the "student-no journal" membership rate continues to be \$35 per year.

Please feel free to contact the IASNR business office if you have any questions. We value your involvement with IASNR, and look forward to hearing from you and processing your membership renewal!

## Notes from the Executive Director, continued

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host site (Universiti Malaysia Sabah) and the tremendous support our host, Dr. Fadzilah Majid Cooke, has generated. There are strong indications of great interest in Southeast Asia, Oceania, and the Far East for the Sabah meetings. To resolve the concern about membership and the need to honor our commitment to Sabah, Council voted to authorize two ISSRM meetings this summer – (1) Universiti Malaysia Sabah (Kota Kinabalu) from June 13 to June 17, 2011; and (2) University of Wisconsin-Madison from June 4 to June 8, 2011. We believe both meetings will have good attendance – with the vast majority of those attending the meetings in Malaysia coming from that region, and the attendance at Madison driven by North American regular and student members. We are hopeful both meetings will attain new highs in attendees and membership renewals for IASNR.

Having two ISSRM meetings in a calendar year is not unprecedented. However, Council's endorsement of this strategy for 2011 is not an indication of a desire to continue double venues in the future. Discussions of our current policy for meeting every other year in an international venue will continue at future Council meetings. IASNR's commitment to international meetings is reasonable but they entail significant costs – both to our members and the organization. If you have suggestions on this issue, please write or email me or any Council member – we actively seek your input on this important matter and want to do what is in the best interests of IASNR.

These changes, when coupled to traditional organizational matters and issues, continue to create numerous opportunities for member involvement in myriad societal activities. These include serving as mentors for new and continuing members, becoming involved in various committees (e.g., search committee for ISSRM meeting site selection, graduate paper review committee, ad hoc committees), and active participation in our Journal – including submitting and reviewing articles and completing book reviews. We also encourage each of you to attend and actively participate in either or both ISSRM meetings this year – there will be many opportunities for involvement in Madison and Kota Kinabalu.

I am pleased to report that our flagship journal continues to enjoy high Impact Factors in three areas – environmental studies, planning and development, and sociology. This is a good reflection on our fine editorial staff. The staff includes Tom Beckley and Troy Hall who are currently completing their tenure as Co-Editors, which has triggered our current search for new editors (please see page 14 for more about this) and Patricia Cohn, who has ably served this journal so well through two editorships. Our success, of course, couldn't happen

without you, the authors who publish in SNR. Please extend your thanks and appreciation to Tom, Troy, and Patricia when you see them – and share some internal joy in knowing we have and continue to make a significant contribution to the transdisciplinary study of the human dimensions of natural resources and the environment.

As in previous newsletters, we have included a wide range of information in this issue of *Keeping in Touch (KIT)*. In particular, please pay close attention to the announcement of the ISSRM 2011 Conferences, in Madison, Wisconsin, and in Kota Kinabalu. The themes of these meetings are respectively: **“Integrating Conservation and Sustainable Living”** and **“Natural Resource Development and Conservation: Negotiating Boundaries, Knowledge and Power.”** The Madison meetings are being organized by Don Field of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and his planning team of Mary Miron, Courtney Flint, Richelle Winkler, Rebecca Schewe, and Joan Brehm. The Universiti Malaysia Sabah meetings are being organized by Dr. Fadzilah Majid Cooke and her team including Gaim Lunkapis and Hassanal Bahr Penigran Bagul, among others. Members can now register for the meetings and submit their abstracts for papers and posters online through the ISSRM 2011 websites:

[www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org](http://www.issrm2011madison.iasnr.org), and  
[www.issrm2011malaysia.iasnr.org](http://www.issrm2011malaysia.iasnr.org).

We have also included reports from several of our committees, minutes of our Business and Council Meetings held in Corpus Christi, and items which should be of interest to most of us, including access to the Social Ecology Press and information regarding *iFirst*. As well, I urge you to submit applications for becoming editor of our journal, *Society and Natural Resources*. IASNR is a fluid organization, one purposively designed to reflect our membership.

Finally, if you have not yet renewed your IASNR membership for 2011, please remember to do so soon (please see page 1)! We value your involvement in our organization, and look forward to working with you over the coming year to make IASNR stronger and more effective in meeting your needs and those of all our members. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, need any information about IASNR, have ideas or comments you would like to share, and/or would like to become more involved in any association work. You can reach me by email at [aeluloff@psu.edu](mailto:aeluloff@psu.edu) or by phone at 814-863-8643. We appreciate your continued interest in and support of IASNR and look forward to seeing you all at Madison and/or Sabah.

On behalf of the Executive Committee and Council please accept our best wishes for a joyous, healthy, and happy holiday in this season of peace.

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