What's New:

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Jay Rasmussen sits among his celebratory decorations for Boss of the Year.

Rasmussen Wins OPE Boss of the Year Award
By Terri Nogler

Jay Rasmussen, Associate Director of Oregon Sea Grant based at the Hatfield Marine Science Center, was honored as "Boss of the Year" by the Office Personnel Association of Oregon State University. Rasmussen was chosen from a field of 22 candidates.

Letters of support from his staff emphasized his accessibility and supportive management style. "The staff is energized by Jay's vision and strengthened by his encouragement and support," said Christi Sheridan, administrative assistant. "We are delighted that he was recognized for not only being a terrific boss, but also a positive asset to the community."

As Extension Sea Grant Program Leader, Rasmussen oversees the activities of more than 20 faculty housed in county extension offices along the entire length of the Oregon coast and along the Columbia River. Ginny Goblirsch, Lincoln County Extension Sea Grant Specialist, writes "because of Jay's people skills, communication ability and responsiveness, Jay is responsible for significantly raising the level of respect and recognition for OSU Sea Grant and Extension Sea Grant."

Prior to joining Sea Grant in 1996, Rasmussen served as the Director of the Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association in Newport for 17 years. He has served on the Oregon Coast Aquarium Board of Directors, Ocean Resources Management Task Force, Oregon Ocean Policy Council, Management Council of the Tillamook Bay National Estuary Program, and has received the Governor's Award for service on the Gorda Ridge Federal-State Technical Task Force.

The Oregon State University Office Personnel Association (OPA) was formed to foster awareness, excellence, and professionalism in the ranks of office personnel on the OSU campus. To reach these goals, OPA provides professional development seminars and workshops, organizes monthly luncheons, publishes a monthly newsletter, and sponsors scholarships for deserving undergraduate students.

Susan Hanna greets her new COMES fellow workers at her reception
Internationally Recognized Scholar Joins COMES

Susan Hanna, Professor of Ag and Resource Economics, is the newest member of the Coastal Oregon Marine Experiment Station (COMES) faculty. She has a joint research position with COMES and an extension position with Oregon Sea Grant. She is pictured above at the recent reception honoring her becoming COMES' newest faculty member.

Susan has developed an internationally recognized program in fisheries management and policy and has spent the last two years working with the Heinz Foundation in Washington, D.C., reviewing the U.S. Sustainable Fisheries Act (SFA). Besides beginning new research on improving management of West Coast groundfish, Susan is writing a book summarizing her research on SFA. Susan will be splitting her time between HMSC and campus.

Jae Park Receives OSU International Service Award

Jack Van de Water, Dean of International Programs, announced that Jae Park has been selected as one of the two 1999-00 recipients of the International Service Award. This award, sponsored by International Programs, recognizes "exemplary, on-going contributions of OSU faculty and staff to the internationalization of the university by enhancing student, faculty, and staff awareness and participation in international education, research, and related activities." The co-recipient is Marlan Carlson in the Music Department.

Jae will receive a $1000 award and a plaque which will be presented to him during University Day on September 18, 2000.

The International Service Award committee was very impressed with the range of Jae's international work and with his continued contributions to the internationalization of OSU. They are looking forward to collaborating with him and the Department of Food Science and Technology in the future.
HMSC Awards $90,000 to Students

On June 2, the annual Markham Research Symposium showcased the research being done by the recipients of all the HMSC/COAS scholarships and fellowships, to the tune of approximately $90,000. The Markham Award recipients received $60,000; the Holt Award $7,500; the Jones Award $1,000; the Robinson Award $1,000; the Wiancko Tuition Scholarships $8,300; and the Wick Awards $10,000. Not included in this total are the Cobler and Burt Awards given out by the College of Oceanic and Atmospheric Sciences.

Markham Recipients for 2000

- Jae Park and Jirawat Yongsawatdigul - Biochemical and physical properties of alkaline and acid soluble fish myofibrillar proteins
- Chris Langdon and Carl Demetropoulos - Commercialization of Pacific dulse
- Chris Langdon and Ebru Onal - Evaluation of spray-dried algae as a food for Manila clams
- Chris Langdon and Blaine Griffen - Interactions between burrowing shrimp and commercially-grown oysters
- Bruce Menge and Christopher Krenz - Role of recruitment of barnacles and mussels in determining the structure of rocky intertidal communities
- Steve Berkeley and Bill Pinnix - Relationship between early larval and juvenile growth rate
- Steve Berkeley and Colin Chapman - Effects of material age on offspring survival in black rockfish
• Paul Jepson and Scott Hecht - Uptake and accumulation of nonlyphenol through algal and sediment food chains to salmon fry

Other Recipients for 2000

• William Pinnix - Walter Jones Fisheries Development Memorial
• Steve Tolzman - Curtis and Isabella Holt Education Fund
• Okan Esturk and Justine Hoffman - William Wick Marine Fisheries Award
• Ebru Onal - Anja Robinson Fellowship
• Daniel Palacios - Richard Cobler Award
• Ivana Cerovecki - Wayne Burt Memorial

Honored guests at the annual event were Mrs. Louise Burt, Dr. John Markham, and Dr. Anja Robinson. Dr. Lavern Weber and Dr. Brent Dalrymple, Dean of COAS, shared the hosting duties, introducing the different award recipients who gave a 5-10 minute presentation on the results of their research.

Biennial Salmonid Disease Workshop in Full Swing

Every two years the HMSC Fish Disease group under Dr. Paul Reno and Dr. Bob Olson orchestrates an intensive ten-day workshop on recent advances and developments in the understanding of salmonid diseases. The workshop is limited to twenty participants (technicians and professionals in the field), many of whom travel across the country to attend. This year is no exception, with participants from two provinces in Canada, Rhode Island, California, Oregon, and Montana.

Topics for the workshop include current immunological and molecular techniques for detection and identification of salmonid pathogens; new and emerging fish pathogens; cell culture techniques, including maintenance of cultures, mycoplasma detection, and viral identification; histopathology associated with salmonid diseases; the current status of important viral, bacterial and parasitic pathogens; and salmonid disease treatment practices used in Pacific Northwest hatcheries.

One of the draws of the workshop is the top-notch instructors, who are experts in the field. A number of OSU faculty (John Fryer, Jo-Ann Leong, Paul Reno, Linda Bruslind, Dan Rockey, Bob Olson, Jerri Batholomew, Chris Bayne, Jerry Heidel, and Prudy Caswell-Reno) are in the team. Guest instructors from a variety of agencies complete the roster: Marcia House (NW Biological Science Center), Scott La Patra (Clear Springs Foods), James Winton (NW Biological Science Center), Richard Holt (ODFW), Ronald Hedrick (UC Davis), Stephen Kaattari (VIMS), Anthony Amandi (ODFW), Craig Banner (ODFW) and John Morrison (US Fish & Wildlife Service).
Although the class runs from 8:30-5 just about every day, there is time for a trip to the PCR/Immunology Lab and Salmon Disease Lab in Corvallis complete with BBQ, and free time on Sunday to relax and explore the coast.

The next workshop will be scheduled for the summer of 2002, as it continues to fill a need for keeping up with changes in this complex and intriguing field.

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by Janet Webster

As part of Oregon State University's Information Services, the Guin Library houses a strong collection of marine-related information. The Guin Library staff provides excellent service to researchers, staff and students located at HMSC as well as those in Astoria at the Seafoods Lab and people on the main campus in Corvallis. Self-service circulation is proving popular with the library users; registered borrowers can type in their library number, scan the book's barcode, and be on their way. Library users are also beginning to use more journals online as the library sets up electronic access to those titles offering free access. We are also evaluating electronic subscriptions to see when we should replace a print subscription with electronic access. Times continue to change.
The Library staff is currently revising its strategic goals. Listed below, they give an excellent overview of the issues and challenges we face.

- Support the diverse faculty and students of OSU as they research and learn.
- Train people to use tools and resources.
- Teach people to evaluate and synthesize information.
- Inform people of services and resources.
- Keep information affordable and accessible.
- Build strong consortiums.
- Work with publishers.
- Ensure access.
- Maintain a vital and unique collection.
- Collect multiple formats.
- Address changing needs and research interests.
- Incorporate local and regional resources.
- Add material and records in a timely and responsive manner.

Janet Webster, the Head Librarian, currently serves on the Vision 2010 Committee of the Oregon Library Association, and chairs the Strategic Planning Task Force for the International Association of Aquatic and Marine Science Libraries and Information Centers (IAMSLIC). Her current research focuses on the utility of single session library instruction for undergraduates, and delivering information services to the seafood technology industry. Ms. Webster presented a poster at the IAMSLIC annual conference that spurred better coverage of Sea Grant publications in the international abstracting database, Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts. With the assistance of Heather Hiveley, a graduate student in Fisheries and Wildlife, she has completed a comprehensive bibliography of Yaquina Bay with funding from Oregon Sea Grant and the Environmental Protection Agency.
Personnel Notes

Congratulations to Bob Olson, whose winged heels brought him into first place in the 60-64 year-old category for the recent Newport Marathon. Bob clocked in at 4.00.59 for the 26 miles. Bob had shaved quite a bit off his time last year, though he was hoping to break 4 hours this year--only 59 seconds short!