Message from the Executive Secretary

Since this will be my last Bulletin, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people who have helped me along the way. My greatest thanks go to PATRICIA PUTNAM PHILLIPPI who has patiently typed, edited, formatted and printed out various versions of each Bulletin and who deserves the credit for the professional appearance of this document. Next I thank BETH MACDONALD from Jeff French's operation at the University of Nebraska for her part in getting addresses updated, mailing lists put together and mailing labels sorted "however I wanted them". I thank EVAN ZUCKER for proof-reading beyond compare. Both the Bulletin and the ASP pages in the American Journal of Primatology have benefitted from his careful inspection. Another "behind the scenes" individual who deserves the thanks of everyone in ASP for helping control the budget is RANDY LAUMANN from Loyola University in New Orleans who patiently printed all the Bulletins at rapid speed and low cost. And of course, thank you to all of the folks at the Primate Center who, over the years, have helped with folding, stapling, stuffing, postage metering, and various other details from time to time. These are: SHEREE CALLAHAN, DEBBIE DAWSEY, LINDA COY, ROSE FRIETO, PAT PARRIE, ROBIN DAIGLE, JENN N'HEIL, SHELLEY FALKENSTEIN, RICHARD HARRISON and most of all SHARON NASTASI, who has done the lion's share of work in getting the Bulletin mailed. And of course, I thank PETER GERONE, the director of the Tulane Primate Center, for his support and encouragement on this endeavor.

It has been an interesting four years as an Officer and a member of the Board of Directors, years that taught me not only how important the work is that we do as part of ASP but how much we have grown and matured in our 20 years as a society. I expect that work to be carried out capably by our new officers as all nominees are exceptionally qualified individuals. I would strongly encourage all members of ASP to consider becoming more involved in ASP committees and the workings of the Society. We now have a multitude of opportunities to contribute to undergraduate research/education, political issues, conservation issues and an ever-widening area of input for members which has been facilitated by the Internet. I feel certain that most members have expertise that can enhance the workings of the ASP. I thank you for the opportunity to serve as Executive Secretary for the last four years.

-- Margaret Clarke --

Elizabeth S. Watts Graduate Fellowship Award

A two-year fellowship of approximately $8,000 per year will be awarded to the outstanding application for dissertation research in Nonhuman Primate Growth and Development. The candidate must have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. degree except doctoral research. Preference will be given to studies emphasizing development to maturation. The application should be made using the Public Health Service form 398 format and will be judged by a 5-person committee. Applications will be due September 15, 1996 for award by the end of the calendar year 1996. Questions regarding this award may be directed to the Chair of the Committee: Dr. Margaret R. Clarke, 504-892-2040, ext. 258; FAX 505-834-4085; email: mclarke@mailhost.tcs.tulane.edu. Applications should be mailed to Dr. Margaret R. Clarke, Dept. of Anthropology, 1021 Audubon St., Tulane University, New Orleans LA 70118.

IPS/ASP Congress, Madison, WI, August 11-16, 1996

It is a pleasure to welcome you to this joint Congress. We look forward to an outstanding scientific and social program, an enjoyable occasion for all.

Major Art Exhibit - Primates in Art and Illustration, an international art exhibit, has been mounted specifically for the IPS/ASP meetings. This once in a lifetime event will feature paintings, prints, sculpture and photography. Over 40 artists have submitted a variety of work for consideration. Juried by a panel of primatologists and artists, the exhibit will be held in the Porter Butts and Class of '25 Galleries, the main galleries of the Memorial Union on Lake Mendota. An exhibit of children's art based on an international competition will be mounted in the nearby Theater Galleries.

Ten percent of all sales of artwork will be contributed to the conservation funds of the IPS and ASP. An opening reception is scheduled for Monday evening, August 12. Except for the children's art, most works in the exhibit will be available for sale. The exhibit will remain open until September 15, allowing people and students in the surrounding area to visit the exhibit.
Questions or suggestions about potential artists to invite should be sent to Larry Jacobsen, IPS/ASP Art Committee, WRPRC, 1220 Capitol Court, Madison, WI 53715-1299, Email: jacobsen@prime.wisc.edu, Fax: (608) 263-4031.

Information about the children's competition is available from Gabriele Lubach, ASP Education Chair, Email: lubach@prime.wisc.edu, Fax: (608) 263-4031; or Sian Evans, IPS Education Chair, Email: sevans@umiami.miami.edu.

ASP Auction - The American Society of Primatologists (ASP) is holding its traditional silent auction at the IPS/ASP meeting in Madison, with the proceeds going to primate conservation. Items to be auctioned are donated. Please support primate conservation by sending or bringing appropriate items such as arts, crafts, t-shirts, books, etc. If possible, please bring items and reprints with you. Take items to the auction room at Memorial Union. Information will be available at the Registration Desk at Memorial Union. Alternatively, they can be sent to Ms. Edi Chan, Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center, 1220 Capitol Court, Madison, WI 53715-1299, USA. Please clearly indicate that they are for the ASP auction and make sure we have your complete name and address, a contact phone number, Fax number, email and a description of the contents.

Social Events - Extra tickets for the social events at the IPS/ASP Congress will be on sale at the registration desk at Memorial Union. There will be no tickets available at the social events. Children under 12 will be free.

Program Outline - We have had a marvelous response to the call for abstracts. There are presently over 750 abstracts submitted for presentations at the Congress. This has resulted in a record-sized scientific program, comprising 25 Symposia, 14 Workshops and 3 Roundtable Discussions dealing in depth with new research findings and perspectives, and with current pressing issues in primatology. We will have 25 oral paper sessions, 22 poster sessions, and one video session. Our Plenary speakers will provide state-of-the-art lectures on Behavior, Conservation, Ecology, Biomedicine, Palaeontology, Anatomy and Taxonomy.

You should have received notification of acceptance of abstracts. If you have not received this notification card, please contact Melinda Carr at email: carr@prime.wisc.edu, Phone: (608) 265-4730, Fax: (608) 263-4031.

Exhibit Information - Exhibit space is still available for rental during the upcoming conference. Space will be assigned on a first come first served basis. Shared tables are also available to exhibit books or journals. For further information on exhibit space, please contact Steve Shelton at (608) 263-2517, Fax: (608) 265-2565, or email: Shelton@macc.wisc.edu.

Hotel - Please book your reservations as soon as possible. Hotels and University accommodations are filling up quickly.

Financial - There will be no financial support to individuals from the Conference. We have set registration fees as low as possible to encourage wide participation from international visitors and students. There is no flexibility in this budget to subsidize any travel or other costs.

Official Airline - Airline discounts have been arranged with United Airlines for the IPS/ASP 96 Congress. United Airlines is the official airline of the IPS/ASP Congress, for US Travel only. If you or you travel agent call United's toll-free number (1-800-521-4041) to book your reservations, you will receive an additional 5% discount off the lowest applicable fare, including First Class, or a 10% discount off mid-week coach fares, purchased 7 days in advance. Discounts also apply on Shuttle by United and United Express. Call United's Specialized Meeting Reservations Center at 1-800-521-4041 to obtain the best fares and schedule information. Make sure you refer to Meeting ID Code #5612ZL. Reservations can be made 7 days a week from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 PM EST.

Computer Access - Current information about the IPS/ASP 96 Congress is available to those with Internet access through Primate Info Net (PIN), a World Wide Web (WWW)/Gopher server maintained by the Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center. The WWW site has the added feature of providing a link to the Madison Chamber of Commerce, which has information about dining and shopping in the Madison area, and an on-line map of downtown Madison. WWW users can reach PIN at: http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin. Gopher users can reach PIN at: (night.primate.wisc.edu). Further bulletins will follow to keep you up to date with our preparations.

If you are not a member of the IPS or the ASP and would like to be added to our mailing list to receive a registration/abstract packet, please contact Ms. Edi Chan, Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center, 1220 Capitol Court, Madison, Wisconsin 53715-1299, U.S.A., Phone: (608) 263-3500, Fax: (608) 263-4031, e-mail: ipsasp-info@prime.wisc.edu.

We look forward to seeing you here in August.

-- Edi Chan, Congress Coordinator & John Hearn, Congress Chairman --

ASP 1996 Workshops

"Private Ownership of Primates" - A workshop entitled "Private Ownership of Primates: The Role of Primatologists" is scheduled for the IPS/ASP Joint Congress in August at Madison. This workshop will focus on several areas of concern about NHP private ownership: federal laws, media and their public influence, veterinary issues, and NHP sanctuaries. During the Workshop, we will publicly present findings and recommendations of the ASP Private Ownership of Primates report, provide a forum for members of the international primatological community to exchange information about private ownership of NHPs in our respective countries, and share ideas about the role of primatologists in these issues. For additional information, please contact Janette Wallis, Dept OB/GYN, Univ. of Oklahoma, Box 26901, Oklahoma City, OK 73190 (e-mail: janette-wallis@uokhsce.edu or FAX: 405-271-8547).
The Care and Management of Captive Chimpanzees - The 1996 Workshop on the Care and Management of Captive Chimpanzees will be held on Monday, August 12 from 4:30 - 6:00pm during the joint meeting of the IPS/ASP. The topic of this year's workshop is the application of information from the field to the captive environment, and our keynote speakers are Dr. Tetsuro Matsuzawa from the Primate Research Institute, Kyoto University, Japan and Dr. Jan A.R.A.M. van Hooff, of the Universiteit Utrecht, The Netherlands. Both speakers will integrate captive care and management techniques with information from the field, and cover the topics of time budgets, species-typical behaviors, facility design, and enrichment. In addition, the workshop will provide a forum for sharing unique and appropriate methods of enrichment, training, and management for zoo and laboratory chimpanzees. In order to more fully address the interests of the workshop participants and to prepare workshop materials, please contact Linda Brent if you plan to attend the workshop. Linda Brent, P.O. Box 28147, San Antonio, TX 78228, (210) 645-3402 or email lbrent@icasus.sfb.org.

Conflict Resolution - A Workshop, "New Directions in Conflict-Resolution Research", will take place during the IPS/ASP Joint Congress in Madison, WI. The specific aims of this Workshop are: (1) to understand the current status of the conflict-resolution field of research; (2) to provide new investigators an opportunity to interact with more experienced researchers; and (3) to promote international exchanges and collaborations in order to explore new directions in this field. The Workshop provides a forum to discuss current research findings, work-in-progress, and prospective plans related to the field of conflict resolution. Those wishing to participate should contact Workshop organizers: Filippo Aureli, Yerkes RPRC, Emory Univ., Atlanta, GA 30322 (e-mail: aureli@rmy.emory.edu) or Darlene Smucny, P.O. Box 529, NIHAC, Poolsville, MD 20837-0529 (e-mail: ny6@cu.nih.gov; FAX: 301-496-0630). For details on the specific date and time, please consult the IPS/ASP Joint Congress program.

Great Ape Interest Group - A Workshop on the feeding, ranging and grouping behavior of wild and captive great apes (with a special emphasis on within-group competition) will take place on Wednesday afternoon during the IPS/ASP Joint Congress in Madison, WI. The purpose of this workshop is to bring together researchers with different perspectives based on laboratory, zoo, and field studies to discuss current findings in this area of great ape study. Many parallels are possible between studies made with captive animals and those conducted in the wild, and this workshop provides an opportunity for researchers to discuss past and present findings, present information on studies in progress, and to explore what the future holds.

The format will consist of a series of short and informal research summaries followed by an open discussion. Presentations will be from 2 to 5 minutes and will simply serve to summarize research and results. A series of discussion questions will be formulated prior to the meeting based on presentation topics and the findings to be reported. These questions will be used to structure the discussion period and will be made available in advance to all people interested in attending the workshop, either by e-mail or post office. A list of the researchers participating will also be made available with the discussion questions.

In order to organize this, it is essential that all potential participants contact the workshop organizers as soon as possible. For those people wishing to present their findings please send us a one-page abstract and/or summary as soon as possible. After receiving these abstracts we will formulate the questions and schedule the presentations. We will then make this list available to all the interested parties who have contacted us. In this way we can all prepare for the discussion in advance and enjoy a productive exchange of ideas at the workshop!

Those people who are interested in participating are asked to send their abstracts to one of the workshop organizers: Either Stephanie Gibeault, Biology Dept., York University, 4700 Keele St., North York, ON, Canada, M3J 1P3, (e-mail:gibeault@yorku.ca) or Michele Goldsmith, Department of Anthropology, SUNY at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY 11794-4364 (e-mail:mgoldsmi@ccvm.sunysb.edu)

Awards and Recognition Committee

The Awards and Recognition Committee of ASP is soliciting nominations for the Distinguished Primatologist Award. This award honors a primatologist who has had an outstanding career and made significant contributions to the field. Previous awards have been made to Dr. William Mason, Dr. Philip Hershkovitz, and Dr. Charles Southwick. The recipient of this year's award will be invited to deliver a special address at the 1997 meeting of the ASP in San Diego.

Nominations should be made in writing and must include a narrative that describes the nature and extent of the nominee's contribution to primatology. Nominators must also see that two additional letters of support be submitted on behalf of the nominee. Letters sent by e-mail ARE acceptable (see address, below). The Awards and Recognition Committee will meet in August, at the 1996 ASP meeting, to choose from among the nominated individuals.

Nomination letters and supporting letters should be sent to Nancy Caine, Dept. of Psychology, CSU San Marcos, San Marcos, CA 92096 OR nancy_caine@csusm.edu. All materials must be received by August 1, 1996.

Conservation Committee News

Call For Conservation Award Nominations And Grant Applications For Amounts Up To $1,500 - Nominations for Conservation Awards and Grants are now being sought by the American Society of Primatologists (ASP). These awards and grants, funded from the ASP Conservation Fund, are a contribution to the larger conservation...
picture and a mechanism to recognize deserving colleagues and students, including those from primate habitat countries -- countries with native primate fauna -- for whom the prestige of an ASP award or grant can be a valuable aid to the recipient's conservation efforts. An award nomination is basically a letter of recommendation. An excellent, funded grant proposal consisted of four narrative pages plus a budget page.

Subscription Award - This award provides the American Journal of Primatology to worthy individuals in habitat countries who otherwise would have little access to the scientific literature on nonhuman primates. The Society expects to support several continuing subscription awards. Preference is given to individuals who will make the journal available in a central place for colleagues to use, and to those who can justify brief reappraisal every two years to build up their library of the journal. A nominating letter should describe the nominee's credentials and his/her primate related activities, and should explain why the nominee deserves to receive a high priority.

Conservation Award ($500) - This award provides recognition and financial support for students and young investigators from habitat countries who demonstrate potential for making significant and continuing contributions to primate conservation. Eligible nominees include students, young investigators and educators in countries with native nonhuman primates and for whom no more than five years have elapsed since receipt of the terminal degree. Nominators should provide the nominee's name, title and full mailing address and a statement about the nominee's qualifications for the award, focusing on past and potential contributions to primate conservation. Supporting letters from other individuals acquainted with the work of the nominee may be submitted. Past awards have been presented by U.S. Ambassadors or other senior officials, thereby obtaining favorable publicity for the award, its recipient, and primate conservation in the recipient's country.

Senior Biology and Conservation Award ($500 Honorarium) - This award is one of ASP's highest honors. It is given to recognize an individual without an advanced degree who has made substantial contributions over many years to promote primate conservation either through direct action or via enhancement of biological knowledge or well-being of primates. Such contributions could arise from work done in the field, laboratory or zoo setting. Nominees might work directly with primates or be engaged in activities supporting those who work with primates. Examples include park rangers, census takers, animal caretakers, research technicians, assistants or facilitators, and individuals involved in private enterprise benefiting primate conservation. Nominating letters should detail the nominee's qualifications, contributions to primate conservation, period of service, and full mailing address. Supporting letters from other individuals acquainted with the work of the nominee may be submitted. This award typically is presented at public ceremonies by senior officials.

Conservation Small Grants (up to $1,500 but usually $500) - Grant proposals are solicited for conservation research or other projects, including conservation education. ASP and IPS members working in habitat countries are especially urged themselves to apply or to help someone from a habitat country submit a meaningful project, which can be a portion of a larger effort. Grant proposals must be typed in English, should not exceed 2000 words, and should include a brief budget page. Recipients of grants must agree that a brief progress report, in a form suitable for publication in the ASP Bulletin, will be made within 12 months of the award.

Evaluation and Application Procedure: With the exception of requests for emergency support, which can be considered at any time for immediate action, the Conservation Committee will make its recommendations for awards and grants to the ASP Executive Committee at its annual meeting. Successful nominees and applicants will be informed following the meeting and their names published in the Bulletin. The 1996 deadline for submission of nominations and grant proposals is June 30. They should be sent to Ramon J. Rhine, Psychology Department, University of California, Riverside, CA 92521.

-- Ray Rhine, Conservation Committee Chair --

Conservation Grant Final Progress Report

Proyecto Tití: The development of artificial “bindes” to reduce firewood consumption in Colosó, Colombia - Conserving endangered cotton-top tamarins in Colombia has been a challenging task when faced with the ever increasing demands for forest products. The ASP Conservation grant funds have allowed us to pilot a new program to develop an alternative to the continued cutting of the forest for firewood. This program worked within the current culture of this rural community and addressed an important economic need. In collaboration with the Junta Ecologica in Colosó, Colombia, we developed the idea of creating a bine, a small cook stove, which was commonly used in the region out of more durable material. Our intent was to work with a local cement community. However, after several meetings with individuals it became clear that the type of material they were suggesting would be cost prohibitive for our program. Fortunately, we encountered a local artisan that has considerable experience working with clay. With his assistance and with information on where to obtain the clay material from the elders in the community, we created a prototype bine.

We have developed a videotape that illustrates how the bine is made and used in Colombia. In summary, a mixture of clay, and water is formed into a model bine (the pamphlet included with the video explains the actual design). The bine is dried in the sun for approximately one week and then placed in a pit for firing. Once the firing has been completed, the bine is ready for use. We invited women from the community to participate in a bines dinner. Traditional methods of cooking over the three stones, bindes with firewood, and bindes with alternative sources of fuel (yuca stalks, corn cobs, coconut shells, etc.) were demonstrated. The demonstration found that bindes were much more efficient in there use of fuel, yet still cooked food in a timely fashion.
Acceptance of bindes by the community was remarkable. Our studies found that consumption of firewood for a family of 5 decreased by more than 60%. Reports indicated that women were quite pleased with the decrease in the amount of smoke produced by a binda. Because of the low cost to manufacture bindes, (approximately U.S. $3-4) we distributed 100 bindes to families as part of the program. There are now several students who have been trained to construct bindes and they are quite interested in taking this program to neighboring communities.

Bindes were also highlighted as part of Roger Williams Park Zoo's First Annual Waters of our World (WOW) Conference held on April 3, 1996. Over 200 students from Rhode Island, southern Massachusetts, and some of our Colombian colleagues that have been participating in our long-term water quality monitoring program came to the zoo to share not only their information on how to protect watersheds, but the importance of using an integrated approach in designing conservation programs. As part of our continued efforts to conserve cotton-top tamarins and their habitats, bindes were used to demonstrate how communities can cook their food more efficiently and begin to save more of the forest for wildlife, watersheds, and wild lands. We hosted a traditional Colombian dinner, where the food was cooked in bindes. Students had the opportunity to examine how world hunger plays an important role in how much forest is destroyed each year.

As we continue to expand and evaluate our conservation program for cotton-top tamarins, its becomes quite clear that bindes has made an important contribution in the lives of local communities. On behalf of the staff of Proyecto Titi and the community of Coloso, we are truly grateful to our colleagues of ASP for providing the necessary funds for this successful pilot program.

--- Anne Savage, Ph.D., Director of Research, Roger Williams Park Zoo ---

**Employment/Educational Opportunities in Primatology**

La Suerte Biological Field Station 1996 Summer Courses - for information write: 9439 Fountainbleau Blvd #207, Miami, FL 33172 or contact Web Site: http://www.studyabroad.com/lasuerte; Email: lasuertecr@sol.com

**Student Internship Information** - The Education Committee of ASP has compiled a list of primate research/husbandry opportunities for students in the summer of 1996. The following information: a) name, address, phone, and institution of contact person; b) brief description of duties; c) starting date and length of appointment; d) stipends or other financial assistance; e) skills / experience required and any additional information can be found by accessing the Wisconsin Primate Center home page on the WWW (http://www.primate.wisc.edu/primate-jobs). A hard copy of the listings is available to students who do not have computer access. For more information or to request a hard copy contact: Gabriele R. Lubach, Ph.D., Chair, Education Committee of ASP, Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center, 1220 Capitol Court, Madison, WI 53715, phone: 608-263-3587, fax: 608-263-4031, email: lubach@primate.wisc.edu

**Bulletin Board**

ASP Book Series - The ASP Publications Committee would like to remind members that we are accepting book proposal applications for the newly established book series being published through ASP. Each volume will be based on an organized symposium at an ASP meeting and/or a special topic in primatology. Income from books published by ASP will be for fundamental purposes of the Society (e.g., Conservation Fund, educational development, etc.). The inaugural volume, entitled "Primate Conservation: The Role of Zoological Parks" is based on a symposium presented at ASP in 1995 and will be ready for sale at the ASP/IPPS meeting in Madison. For details on submitting a book proposal, contact: Janette Wallis, Dept. OB/GYN, OUHSC, Box 26901, Oklahoma City, OK, 73190; phone: (405) 271-4229; fax: (405) 271-8547; janette-wallis@uokhsc.edu.

Newly Established Website at The Caribbean Primate Research Center - The Caribbean Primate Research Center of the University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus has established a website at the following URL http://www.ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/oceanpkvetclin/homepage.htm. The site covers CPRC and its three facilities (Saban Aca Field Station, Cayo Santiago and CPRC Museum/Skeletal Collection) plus field study site for free-ranging patas monkeys in Sierra Bermeja of southwestern Puerto Rico. Also included is a selected bibliography of about 250 publications from 1939-1995 and the list of motion pictures on VHS format stored in the CPRC library.

Coalition for Education in the Life Sciences (CELS) - The Coalition for Education in the Life Sciences (CELS) is made up of scientific and educational professional societies dedicated to improving scientific literacy through the development and dissemination of effective, innovative strategies for undergraduate biology instruction. CELS is preparing a major publication to serve as a 5-year retrospective and a guide for the future. The project's coordinator requests suggestions from member societies concerning priorities, subject areas, and approaches to teaching biology from the perspective of their individual disciplines. ASP is an official member of CELS. Members may make specific comments and suggestions about teaching strategies from the many specialties among our members. To comment directly, contact Dr. Lillian Tong, Center for Biology Education, University of Wisconsin, 425 Henry Mall, MADISON WI 53706 (tong@facstaff.wisc.edu). For information about CELS, its goals and mission, you may also contact Andrew (Anji) Petto, who coordinated the 1995 CELS meeting and edited the proceedings, at Department of Anthropology, UW, 1180 Observatory Drive, MADISON WI 53706-1393 (ajpetto@macc.wisc.edu; 608/259-2926).
Call For Abstracts German Veterinary Society - Section of Applied Ethology - The 28th International Congress on Applied Ethology will take place in Freiburg / Germany 7 - 9 November 1996. This annual congress usually comprises approx. 20-24 oral contributions (15 min presentation, 15 min discussion) including 1 or 2 invited key lectures. Posters are not accepted. Traditionally the congress language is German. However, this year a limited number of English spoken contributions (i.e. approx. 8) will be accepted. The programme will include sessions on the following themes: 1) The role of the individual animal within a group; 2) Perception and communication in farm animals; 3) Animals in a transitional stage (domestication, wild animals in captivity); 4) Free papers. Deadline for the submission of abstracts (1 page; no figures, tables or references) containing sufficient information on the objectives, methods, sample size, results and conclusions of the study is 15 June 1996. The abstract should be sent in 4 copies to: Deutsche Vet.-Med. Gesellschaft, Prof. Dr. K. Zeeb, Am Moosweiler 2, D - 79108 Freiburg, Germany. A congress committee will select 20-24 contributions based on the information provided in the abstracts. Studies that have already been published will not be considered. All accepted contributions will be published (max. 10 pages, in German or English) in a conference report by KTBL/Darmstadt/Germany. Please contact Prof. Dr. K. Zeeb for further information.

Visiting Scientist Program: Statistical Genetic Analysis for Animal Colonies - The influence of genetic factors on phenotypes of captive animals used in biomedical research is of increasing interest as investigators turn to animal models to test hypotheses about genetic effects on human traits and to test diagnostic and therapeutic methods in a setting in which genetic and environmental variability can be measured. For more than a decade, scientists in the Department of Genetics at the Southwest Foundation have developed and used methods of statistical genetic analysis to detect and characterize genetic effects on complex traits in captive animal colonies. Because we feel that the methods are now sufficiently well-developed to warrant broader use, we have initiated a Visiting Scientist Program that will make it possible for visitors to learn these methods. A grant from the Comparative Medicine Program of NCCR is funding the program. For details, see the Southwest Foundation Web Page at http://www/sfbr.org in the 'Software, Resources, Seminars & Notices' section, or write by e-mail or post to: Bennett Dyke, Department of Genetics, Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research, P.O. Box 760549, San Antonio, Texas 78245-0549 E-mail: bdyke@darwin.sfbr.org; Phone: (210) 674-1410, Ext. 281; Fax: (210) 670-3317

Quick Guide To WRPRC Internet Programs - The following internet services are coordinated by the Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center (WRPRC) at the University of Wisconsin – Madison.

PRIMATE-TALK - A professionally oriented electronic discussion forum for people interested in primatology. For the following functions send email to this address: primate-talk-request@primate.wisc.edu. If you need to reach a human being (for mail receipt problems, etc.), send email to: primate-talk-admin@primate.wisc.edu. To subscribe or unsubscribe: Command: subscribe primate-talk or unsubscribe primate-talk.

AUDIOVISUAL SERVICES - An archival collection of primate related videotapes, slides and audiotapes which may be borrowed for research or educational purposes. To see a list of available videotapes use: http://www.primate.wisc.edu (WWW), to borrow, send email to: hamel@primate.wisc.edu [Ray Hamel]

INTERNATIONAL DIRECTORY OF PRIMATOLOGY - A 350 pp. directory to the field of primatology, includes detailed information about organizations, people, species held, educational programs, primates in zoos, information resources. Cost: $15 (USA), $23 (outside USA), non-primate institutions $25, send email to: jacobsen@primate.wisc.edu fax: (608) 263-4031; tel: 1-608-263-3512

PRIMATE INFO NET - An information resource for primatologists, includes a taxonomy, endangered primates listings, the P-T Directory, newsletters, veterinary resources, etc. Documents can be viewed and downloaded locally. To connect: telnet wiscinfo.wisc.edu (TELNET) http://www.primate.wisc.edu (WWW) night.primate.wisc.edu (GOPHER)

ASKPRIMATE - An e-mail based international reference service for basic questions dealing with primates, email: askprimate@primate.wisc.edu. Questions are also welcome by phone: (608) 263-3512, fax: (608) 263-4031.

PRIMATE-JOBS - An internet job listing service. Any position which relates to nonhuman primate research, education or conservation -- research assistant or intern, teaching faculty, TAG member, field worker, sanctuary volunteer, foundation president, zoological garden curator -- can be listed. If you want to list a position, go to the address shown above and select "Positions Available Listing Form." Those seeking positions will use the "Positions Wanted Listing Form." Those looking for placement opportunities in primatology can consult the "Positions Available" listings. Organizations seeking potential candidates can review the "Positions Wanted" listings. Interactions with the service can be managed from your computer by accessing: http://www.primate.wisc.edu/pin/jobs

-- Larry Jacobsen, WRPRC - jacobsen@primate.wisc.edu --

Conference and Workshop Announcements

I Vth International Ethological Youth Meeting - July 21-31, 1996 in Gödöllő - Jásokpuszta, HUNGARY. Sponsored by the Hungarian Biological Society, Hungarian Ethological Society, and Gödöllő University of Agricultural Sciences. For more information contact: Dr. tibor Keszthelyl, Gödöllő University of Agricultural Sciences, Faculty of Agricultural Engineering, Páter Károly u. 1., H-2103 Gödöllő, Hungary Phone: +36-28-310.200; fax: +36-28-310.804; E-mail: KSAPI@ENG.GAU.HU
The Association of Primate Veterinarians - The Association of Primate Veterinarians (APV) will meet immediately after the IPS Congress from August 16-18, 1996 at the Concourse Hotel. Cross-participation between meetings is encouraged. The APV meeting will begin 1:00 p.m. on August 16 and end noon on Sunday, August 18. American Association of Zoos and Aquariums - The AZA Annual Conference will be held September 17-21, 1996 in Honolulu, Hawaii. For further information contact Ken Redman, Honolulu Zoo, 151 Kapahulu Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96815 (808) 971-7174, fax (808) 971-7173.

National Institutes of Health (OPRR) Workshop - A workshop entitled "Institutional Responsibilities for Animal Care and Use Programs: Balancing Regulatory and Scientific Perspectives" will be held September 19-20, 1996 at Adams Mark Hotel, 1550 Court Place, Denver, CO 80202 and is sponsored by the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center and the University of Southern Colorado. This workshop is open to institutional administrators, members of Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees, laboratory animal veterinarians, investigators and other institutional staff who have responsibility for high-quality management of sound institutional animal care and use programs. For more information contact: Ms. Joann Bauer, Senior Conference Coordinator, Continuing Medical Education Office, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Campus Box C295, 4200 East 9th Avenue, Denver, CO 80262. Phone: (303) 372-9054; Fax: (303) 372-9065 or call Dr. James O. Stevens at (303) 270-4648. Registration fee is $175.

68th IUCN Species Survival Commission - Full Meeting - 11-12 October, 1996, Montreal, Canada. Theme: Communicating the value of the SSC - its worldwide presence, scientific knowledge, expert advice, and ongoing work, and its relevance to the conservation of biodiversity. Plenary sessions: SSC advice to intergovernmental bodies; Biodiversity conservation information system; SSC Specialist Group Reports. Round table discussion: SSC at the regional and country levels. Workshops: IUCN categories of threat; SSC communications strategy; Fund-raising strategies. Registration fee $25. For more information: World Conservation Congress Coordinator, IUCN, Rue Mauverney 28, 1196 Gland, Switzerland, Fax: + 41 22 999 0020. (from Neotropical Primates)

IUCN World Conservation Congress - 14-23 October, 1996 at the Montreal Conference Centre in Montreal, Canada. Contact: John Burke, Director of Communications, IUCN The World Conservation Union, rue Mauverney 28, 1196 Gland Switzerland. (from Asian Primates)

National IACUC Affairs - 5-6, December, 1996, San Antonio, Texas. The Scientist’s Center for Animal Welfare (SCAW) and the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio will co-sponsor this conference, which will be based on the results of SCAW’s national survey of institutional animal care and use committees (IACUCs) in academic and industrial institutions. Topics will include: Animal Care Program Structure and Support, IACUC Relationships with Outside Agencies, Structure and Conduct of IACUC Meetings, Protocol Review and Monitoring Research, IACUC Involvement with Inspections of the Research Facility, IACUC Program Evaluation, Provision of or Recommendations for Training by IACUCs, Other IACUC Policies and Procedures, and The Role of Non-affiliated IACUC members. Members of IACUCs, researchers, regulatory personnel, veterinarians, administrators, and others interested in these issues are encouraged to attend. For more information contact Conferences, SCAW, Golden Triangle Building One, 7833 Walker Drive, Suite 340, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Tel: (301) 345-3500; Fax: (301) 345-3503.

Australian Primate Society Annual Meeting - 6-8 December, 1996, Wellington Zoo, Wellington, New Zealand. Conference Organizer: Graeme Strachan, Wellington Zoo. Contact: Graeme Cook, CSIRO Division of Human Nutrition, Animal Services, Majors Road, O’Halloran Hill, South Australia 5158. Tel: +61 82 98 03 36, Fax: +61 83 77 0 004, e-mail: graemec@dhm.csiro.au. (from Neotropical Primates)