CANCAS News Notes – December ‘05/January ‘06

I hope you all had a relaxing holiday and are looking forward to the opportunities you will have this spring. March will be here before you know it and it will be time for the Annual Meeting. I hope you will be able to attend.

CURRENT EVENTS

* The Annual Meeting Call for Presentations has gone out: Titles are due January 23, 2006

   Submit the title of your oral or poster presentation before January 23, 2006. You can still submit a title after this date but will incur a late fee. Instructions and submission forms can be found at http://www.ncacadsci.org/meetings.htm

* Fall Undergraduate Research Workshop: CD is in the mail

   Thank you to all who attended and participated in the Fall Undergraduate Research Workshop on November 5, 2005. We had approximately 99 participants representing 14 institutions.

   As previously, a CD has been produced for participants of the workshop. The CD contains photos and speaker presentations. Copies of the CD have been mailed to the contact person or advisor. You are free to make copies of the CD for other individuals in your group. If you did not receive the CD, please let me know. You may need to remind your contact person to make a copy of the CD for you.

   Even if you did not attend the workshop, you can see pictures of the event under Previous Events on the CANCAS website.

MEMBERSHIP

Send your forms in as soon as possible, so I have up-to-date contact information. Membership for the 2005-2006 academic year was due on November 15, 2005 but is past if received after January 15, 2006. Be sure you send in your membership especially if you have students that may be eligible for the Derieux Award.

Forms are available online: http://www.campbell.edu/faculty/guzman/WalkerBiol_page/Activities/CANCAS/Information/CANCAS_MembershipInfo.html

Here is this month’s update on membership!

Members for 2005-2006 Academic Year

   Welcome Group Members:
      East Carolina University
      Methodist College
      Warren Wilson College

   Welcome Individual Member:
      Rebecca Hamner (UNCW)
      Ramsey Cardwell (NC School of Science & Math)
Alphabetical List of Current Group Members: (as of Jan 2006)
Campbell University
East Carolina University
Methodist College
Peace College
UNC-Pembroke
Wake Forest University
Warren Wilson College

Individual members representing:
UNC-CH, UNC-W, NCSSM

FUTURE EVENTS
**Faculty Judges Needed for the Annual Meeting**
If you are willing to judge undergraduate research presentations that are being considered for Derieux Awards for Research Excellence, please contact Dr. Karen Guzman: guzman@campbell.edu

*CANCAS Officers
Advisors: be thinking about nominating one of your students to be a CANCAS officer. It is a great opportunity to develop leadership skills and to get involved in a worthwhile organization. If you are a student considering running for office, ask your advisor to submit your name. Nominations should be received prior to the annual meeting in March. Our officers this year have done a great job. I’m sure they would be glad to share their experiences with anyone considering a position.

*NCAS/CANCAS Annual Meeting at Bennett College from March 24-26, 2006
Additional information will be available online soon

PAST EVENTS
*See archived information on the CANCAS website at <http://www.ncacadsci.org/cancas-web.htm>

*REMEMBER
If you are an advisor receiving announcements and news through the CANCAS email list, please pass this information on to your students and to other faculty in your department. Also, let others in your group know about the email list. I can send emails directly to anyone that requests this.
FINAL NOTES

* Suggestions & Comments can be directed to Dr. Karen Guzman at: <guzman@campbell.edu>.
Let me know if you have any news that you would like included in the monthly News Notes or
suggestions to improve the series. Thanks!

* If you notice errors in any of the news, please let me know so that I can send out a correction or
fix it for the next month.