CANCAS News Notes – January 2011

PAST EVENTS

Membership
Membership for individual and groups are available on-line for the 2010-2011 academic year. Be sure to register your school as soon as possible. The deadline for membership forms and dues **was** November 15, 2010. Membership forms are available online ([www.cancas.org](http://www.cancas.org)) and dues can be paid online. Submit your forms as soon as possible. I will need up-to-date contact information so that I can keep you, the membership, informed. Campbell University, Elon University, Guilford College, Meredith College, Mount Olive College, Peace College, St. Andrews College, and Tri-Beta at Wake Forest University are now group members. Elizabeth Ann Wilkie from UNC Pembroke and Annelise Rogers from Meredith College are individual members. Thank You!

CURRENT EVENTS

Campus Liaison
The CANCAS Student Officers are recruiting student campus liaisons from CANCAS member institutions. Campus liaisons will be responsible for encouraging participation of their student bodies and organizations with CANCAS. They will stay in touch with CANCAS through News Notes, Facebook and attendance at the Fall Workshop and NCAS Annual Meeting, and recruit new student members from their home institution. If a student is interested in becoming a Campus Liaison please have them contact me (Erin Lindquist, [erinlind@meredith.edu](mailto:erinlind@meredith.edu)) and encourage him/her to attend the NCAS Annual Meetings at Elon University March 25-26, 2011.

Facebook
If you wish to join the CANCAS Facebook, just type in CANCAS after you create an account and select “join” group. The information will be updated and keep you posted on current events.

Tattoo Design Contest
All CANCAS members are invited to submit their temporary tattoo design to be selected and used as NCAS promotional material for the Astronomy Days event in May 2011. The winning design will be posted on the CANCAS website. Thousands of people attend the Astronomy Days event at the North Carolina Museum of Science in Raleigh each year. Please submit your design electronically to Erin Lindquist ([erinlind@meredith.edu](mailto:erinlind@meredith.edu)).

Yarbrough Research Grant
The call for Yarbrough proposals is now out and available on the CANCAS website at: [http://www.ncacadsci.org/cancas/Yarbrough.html](http://www.ncacadsci.org/cancas/Yarbrough.html)

Proposals are due April 15, 2011.
CANCAS/ NCAS Annual Meeting, Elon University, March 25-26, 2011

The Annual Meeting is an excellent venue for undergraduates and graduate students to present posters and presentations. Poster and oral presentation abstracts are due on February 25, 2011 and can be submitted online. Early online registration is also due on February 25. Late online registration is due March 17, 2011. Meeting and registration information is now available online at: http://www.mbio.ncsu.edu/ncas2011/

Note that there will be a graduate school workshop on Saturday, March 26 from 1:30 – 3 pm at Elon during the meetings. There will be a panel of graduate school representatives to talk with undergraduate student about graduate school selection and applications, funding graduate education, adjusting to graduate life, developing a research focus, and navigating the challenges of graduate school. Please encourage your students to attend this workshop. The CANCAS Student Officers have specifically requested this type of workshop at the NCAS meetings so we want to make sure the students at the meetings take advantage of this workshop.

New CANCAS Officers will be elected during the CANCAS Business Meeting on March 26 at the meetings. We hope to see as many CANCAS student members at the meeting as possible. If you are interested in running as a CANCAS officer, or recommend a student for a position, please contact Dr. Erin Lindquist (erinlind@meredith.edu), and please encourage the nominee(s) to attend the CANCAS Business Meeting at Elon.

FUTURE EVENTS

We are inviting CANCAS institutions to host the upcoming CANCAS Research and Career Workshop in Fall 2011. If you are interested in hosting the event please contact Dr. Erin Lindquist (erinlind@meredith.edu)

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If you have any ideas for CANCAS and what they could do for you, feel free to contact the above officers.

**FINAL NOTES**
Suggestions & Comments can be directed to Dr. Erin Lindquist <erinlind@meredith.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. 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. Thanks!

An archive of previous News Notes can be found at:  www.cancas.org