



Biosphere

The Weekly Bulletin of Biology

Biology Colloquium (Friday 2 PM in EH 2132)

Dr. John Gatesy, UC Riverside

*“Intelligent and Unintelligent Designs:
Evolution of Baleen Whales”*

- *Awards and Fellowships* — The following graduate students have been awarded CSUN’s 2007-2008 Graduate Thesis, Project or Performance Support Program grants: Jenna Krug (advisor Dr. Steele), Genevieve Polin (advisor Dr. Summers), Svetlana Rose (advisor Dr. Summers) • Graduate Student Laura Fuecht (advisor Dr. Zavala) has received a Thesis Completion Award from the GRIPS office • Undergraduate Karen LeGrand who has been working with Dr. Zavala has been awarded a scholarship to attend the Stanford Preview Program
- *Academic Service* — Dr. Robert Espinoza (on sabbatical in Argentina) has accepted a position as Associate Editor for Cuadernos de Herpetologia, the journal for the Asociación Herpetológica Argentina • Dr. Maria Elena Zavala is serving on a review committee for the National Human Genome Research Institute
- *Community Service* — Brenda Kanno spent a rewarding and productive Saturday morning in October assisting the Los Angeles International Fern Society move its collection of ferns and associated plants into its new abode at the Los Angeles County Arboretum. The new growing area (shadehouse and greenhouse facilities) will enable LAIFS to propagate ferns and fern-companions
- *Summer 2008 Student Opportunities* — NOW is the time to think about summer programs. The CASA (Center for Achievement in Science and Academics) office EH 2128 has lots of flyers and information for applying to summer internships and research programs. They are open from 9-5 M-F.