



# *Biosphere*

## The Weekly Bulletin of Biology

### Biology Colloquium (Friday 2 PM in EH 2132)

Dr. Alan Shabel, UC Berkeley

*“The Paleoecology of Plio-Pleistocene Hominins  
and the Long-Term Coexistence of Homo and Paranthropus”*

- ***Student Research Presentation Extravaganza*** — Over the last couple of weeks, many CSUN undergraduate and graduate students have been representing our department at professional meetings in their research areas.
  - **Meeting of the American Society of Microbiology, Southern California Branch** — Marisabel Oliveros and Adrian Paz (both advised by Dr. Summers) both presented posters. Marisabel was awarded funding to attend the National meeting next June for her winning poster.
  - **Meeting of the Western Society of Naturalists** – The following presented their research: Abigail Poray and Melissa Spitler (both advised by Dr. Carpenter), Will Goldenheim, Daniel Green, Nancy Muehllehner, and Hollie Putnam (all advised by Dr. Edmunds), Dawn Bailey and Jessica Bredvik (both advised by Dr. Allen and Dr. Steele), Carly Ryan and Christina Vasquez (both advised by Dr. Dudgeon)
- ***Faculty Presentations*** — Dr. Sean Murray was one of three featured speakers at the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Microbiology, Southern California Branch. He presented “*Scientific Serendipity: From Tumor-Targeting Salmonella to Outer Membrane Barrier Function*”. Dr. Larry Baresi served as colloquium moderator and also as moderator of the student research posters. Dr. Michael Summers and Dr. Nancy Bishop also attended the meeting.
- ***Publications*** — The award-winning, Library of Congress listed, 2007 issue of the *New Journal of Student Research Abstracts* edited by Dr. Steven Oppenheimer is now in print (November 2007). If you know of K-12 students or teachers, the deadline for submissions for the 2008 issue is June 1, 2008. Contact [steven.oppenheimer@csun.edu](mailto:steven.oppenheimer@csun.edu) for more information or to obtain a free copy.