



# *Biosphere*

## The Weekly Bulletin of Biology

### Biology Colloquium (Friday 2 PM in EH2132)

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*“To dry to live again: Desiccation-tolerance in plants”*

- *Presentations* — Dr. Paul Wilson gave a seminar at UC Berkeley on research conducted by his student Ann Dorsey
- *Community Service* — Dr. Steve Oppenheimer has been invited to be a judge in the California State Science Fair
- *Professional Service* — Dr. Cindy Malone was invited and wrote podcasts for five chapters for the Thomson/Cengage Learning publishing groups to be included in a variety of non-majors and mixed majors textbooks • Dr. Steve Oppenheimer has been invited to serve on a National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, grant review panel on R15 applications for model research systems in developmental biology
- *Field excursions* — Dr. Paul Wilson participated in the annual foray for bryophytes in the West. This year the group studied the mosses and liverworts of the Columbia River Gorge.
- *Peter Bellinger Student Research Award for Undergraduate and Graduate Students* — Students who are conducting research with a faculty member in the Department of Biology are encouraged to apply. Awards will not exceed \$1000 and can be used to fund travel for research purposes, small equipment purchases, and expendable materials. Application must include a proposal, budget and justification, and letter of recommendation from the advisor. Applications are due 5 PM April 4<sup>th</sup> in the Department of Biology. Requirements and application process details are available at <http://www.csun.edu/biology/scholarships.htm>