



# *Biosphere*

## The Weekly Bulletin of Biology

### Biology Colloquium (Friday 2 PM in CR 5125)

Dr. Donald McFarlane, Claremont Colleges

*“Zoogeomorphology and Niche Constructionism in Tropical Bat Caves”*

- **Professional Presentations**—Drs. Casey terHorst and Peter Zee presented their research at the *American Society of Naturalists* meeting in Pacific Grove, CA.
- **Publications**—Dr. Sean Murray and colleagues published a paper in *Journal of Bacteriology* titled, Transposon mutagenesis paired with deep sequencing of *Caulobacter crescentus* under uranium stress reveals genes essential for detoxification and stress tolerance. • Dr. Steve Oppenheimer published a comment in *Nature* suggesting the US fund Ph.D.s for careers in K–12 education.
- **Grant Awarded**—Dr. Pete Edmunds was awarded a 1-yr RAPID grant for \$86K from the National Science Foundation to support his research on “The implications of El Niño-related bleaching on coral recruitment in Moorea.”
- **Grads Win Thesis Support**—Russell Dauksis, Melissa Kurman, and Zoë Scott (all from terHorst Lab) were each awarded \$3000 from the CSU Council on Ocean Affairs, Science & Technology to support their Master’s thesis research.
- **Biologist Gone Wild**—Dr. Polly Schiffman is a featured expert in a new public television documentary “Wild LA,” the first installment of KCET’s three-part *Lost LA* series: [http://www.kcet.org/shows/lost\\_la/](http://www.kcet.org/shows/lost_la/).
- **Join the Club**—The *Behavior, Ecology, and Evolution Research Club* meets at 12 noon each Wednesdays in CR 5201. All faculty and students (including undergrads) are welcome to attend.