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Message from the Chair

Marilyn Ramenofsky

Greetings to all members of the DAB for Fall 2010. The annual 2011 Meeting is on the horizon to be held January 3-7 in Salt Lake City, Utah. The DAB is contributing to the support of a number of symposia namely: *I've Got Rhythm: Neuronal Mechanisms of Central Pattern Generators*, organized by D. McPherson, *Environmentally-Cued Hatching Across Taxa: Embryos Choose A Birthday*, organized by K. Martin, *The Biomechanics and Behavior of Gliding Flight*, organized by R. Dudley, *A synthetic approach to the response of organisms to climate change: The role of thermal adaptation*, organized by M. Sears. With such a fascinating array of presentations in addition to the contributed sessions, I anticipate we will be very busy.

I would like take this opportunity to invite those interested in developing a symposium for future meetings to contact me or the other officers to help you get started. This can be a truly rewarding endeavor by bringing together and integrating a variety of viewpoints on related topics. NSF has been very supportive in helping to fund SICB symposia in addition to related SICB divisions. Of course this activity requires time and work for the organizers, but there are numerous benefits for taking on a SICB symposium including publications in the SICB journal, *Integrative and Comparative Biology*.

The following are notices for future ABS Meetings:

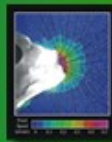
2011: 25-30 July, Animal Behavior Meeting –International Ethological Conference joint meeting at Indiana University, IN

2012: June 4-7, followed by the Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES) meeting from June 7-10 (one day overlap of open sessions for members of both societies) at Albuquerque, New Mexico.

I think that is it for now. See you all in Salt Lake City.

Additional Business

At this time of year our thoughts turn to the upcoming annual meeting. Despite the excellent skiing available in the Salt Lake City area, we an-



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anticipate high attendance at the DAB talks and symposia. We would also like to encourage attendance at the business meeting and social. Our business meeting will take place at the conclusion of sessions on Tuesday (check your schedule for exact time and location), followed by a combined social with the Division of Neurobiology. We look forward to seeing you there!

Judges Needed

With every meeting season comes another round of judging our talented students' talks and posters. Please indicate your interest in judging when you register, or by contacting the DAB Secretary directly (jsprayberry@muhlenberg.edu). Details on talks and forms will be provided as the meeting approaches.

Student/Postdoctoral Affairs Representative

Finally, if you are a graduate student or post-doc who is interested in being the DAB representative on the Student/Postdoctoral Affairs Committee, please contact Marilyn Ramenofsky, Chair of DAB. If you have previously submitted your name, feel free to check in with the chair to make sure you are still on the list.