

Topic suggestions: usefulness of taxonomy to environmental assessment.

The job market for taxonomists — ways to be more useful to society



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION  
OF  
MARINE INVERTEBRATE TAXONOMISTS

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Next Meeting: January 9, 1984  
Place: Marine Biological Consultants  
947 Newhall Street  
Costa Mesa, CA 92627  
Scheduled Speaker: Emmanuel Rosales, Cabrillo Marine Museum  
"Grantmanship" at 1:00 p.m. *why not midnight?*  
Specimen Exchange Group: Spionidae (except Polydora)  
Topic Taxonomic Group: Ophiuroidea

MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 12, 1983

For Sale: Remember SCAMIT has T-shirts, mugs and hats for sale. Also Volumes I and II of SCCWRP Keys to Invertebrates. See the order form enclosed.

\* Doo Dah Parade: SCAMIT is contemplating entering the Doo Dah Parade next November 25, 1984. Watch for the September 1984 newsletter for details.

Amphipod Atlas: Don Cadien currently doesn't have enough time to coordinate the Amphipod Atlas. Is there anyone willing to volunteer as coordinator?

Help Wanted: MBC needs a full time polychaete person. Anyone who is interested contact Don Cadien at (714) 646-1601 for more information.

1984 Schedule: The Agenda Committee has developed a tentative schedule for 1984 meetings. Here it is:

January Exchange/February Topic	Spionidae (except <u>Polydora</u> )
February Exchange/March Topic	Magelonidae, Trochaetidae, Poecilochaetidae, Heterospionidae, Chaetopteridae
March Exchange/April Topic	Open discussion
April Exchange/May Topic	Tanaids and Isopods
May Exchange/June Topic	Pinnixid decapods
June Exchange/July Topic	Sponges
July Exchange/August Topic	Cirratulidae

August Exchange/Sept. Topic	Ctenodrilidae, Flabelligeridae, Scalibregmidae
Sept. Exchange/Oct. Topic	Oediceratidae and Lijeborgiidae
Oct. Exchange/Nov. Topic	Natantian decapods
Nov. Exchange/Dec. Topic	Anomalodesmata (Pandoridae, Lyonsiidae, Periplomatidae, Thraciidae, Poromyidae, Cuspidariidae, Venticordiidae
December Exchange/ Jan. Topic	Lysianassidae
January Exchange/Feb. Topic	Capitellidae

December Exchange/ Jan. Topic  
January Exchange/Feb. Topic

*why single out these folks?*

Oil Company Money: The Fundraising Committee is following-up leads for major funding. They are working on money for equipment, operating budget, research, and publications.

Olympic Ideas: Cabrillo Marine Museum is planning an exhibit to be displayed in conjunction with the L.A. Olympics. They would like your suggestions for "Olympian Animals", such as the fastest crab, strongest clam, etc.

Helpful Hints: -Use crystal violet for staining the pallial line of pelecypods.  
-Juvenile arabellids may not have developed mandibles, be careful on small specimens.  
-Macoma examined in November were actually Macoma yoldiformis.

List of December 12, 1983 Topic Specimens:

PL 33	<u>Mysella grippi</u>
MBC 17	<u>Mysella sp. A</u>
MBC 18	<u>Mysella sp. C</u>
LACO 20	<u>Thyrasira flexuosa</u> or <u>gouldii</u> or <u>barbarensis</u> - will be resolved by April for open discussion

Travels with Olga:

Los Angeles, 21 May '39

Dear Frieda and Chauncey: This is the sort of a day that should be on the beach at the Pacific, but is also a quiet day to concentrate.----The Velero III arrived Sun. afternoon, and all week we have been busy with the collections. It will be years before everything is worked up. Some of the most interesting things were taken in Panama (Republic from the colonies of the San Blas Indians, who are still quite untouched by the effects of civilizations.

Mr. Markowitz, landlord of the apartment where I live sold my car for a tidy sum, only \$5 less than I had originally asked for it. He was given \$10 for his trouble, but I am sure he thoroughly deserved it. It was a cash on sale delivery----Mr. Markowitz came up to my place one evening at 10 o'clock and said that there was a young man on the street corner who had \$155 in his pocket with which he wanted to part (he had previously tried out the car and talked it over with the landlord). It required less than 5 minutes to close the sale.

---- I made a big purchase yesterday at the suggestion of Dr. McCulloch,, purchased a rain cravanette.-----Such articles are almost not obtainable in



Los Angeles, because of the dry climate, and it was only after a long search that anything even approaching it was found.-----The apartment has been delightfully quiet during the past 3 weeks. The Mexicans and their dog have left, and the improvement is 100%. Too bad to have to leave just when it gets desirable.

Los Angeles, 6 June 1939

Dear Folks: Now that plans have shaped themselves more or less definitely, I can tell more explicitly how things stand.

The date of departure of the Elisabeth Bakke has been set for June 11th, Sunday next, at 3 P.M., from San Pedro (Harbor of Los Angeles). From then on the schedule reads as follows:

1. Cristobal, Canal Zone, June 19th (a few hours)
2. Glasgow, Scotland, July 2, one week
3. Liverpool, England, July 9, 6 days
4. Arrive Manchester, July 15
5. Thence overland to London. Address there for about 1½ mo., to Sept. 1:  
 British Museum (Natural History)  
 London S.W.7 England  
 % C.C.A. Monro
6. From Sept. 1 - Oct. 15:  
 Rijks Museum  
 Stockholm, Sweden  
 % Prof. Sixten Bock
7. Oct. 15 - Dec. 1:  
 Zoologisches Staats Institut und Zoologisches Museum  
 Hamburg, Germany
8. December - into January:  
 Museum National  
 d'histoire Naturelle  
 61 Rue de Buffon  
 Paris, France  
 % Prof. Louis Fage
9. Jan. - Feb. :  
 France to Naples
10. Feb. - Mar. :  
 U.S. Nat. Mus.
11. April - May :  
 Yale, New Haven



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