



Winter 2008 Newsletter for Student Members

WHAT'S UP WITH SCL?

The executive council for the Society of Canadian Limnologists welcomes new and returning members! Plans for the 2009 SCL/CCFFR meeting in Ottawa, ON in early January are underway.

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1. The 2008 SCL Robert H. Peters Award Winner

The Robert H. Peters Award:

The Robert H. Peters Award was created in 2007 to recognize the best student lead-authored paper, within the last two years, dealing with a topic related to the aquatic sciences.

The 2008 Robert H. Peters Award was given to **Mark Graham** from the University of Alberta for his work showing the impact of allochthonous nutrients on littoral communities. The reference for this paper is below. Congratulations Mark.

MD Graham, RD Vinebrooke and MA Turner. "Coupling boreal forests and lakes: Effects of conifer pollen on littoral communities." Limnology and Oceanography **51** (2006): 1524-1529.

The winner of the 2009 Robert H. Peters Award will be announced during the SCL business meeting, so come to the meeting and help congratulate the 2009 recipient.

The 2009 Robert H. Peters Award winner will also be giving a talk during the CCFFR/SCL meeting on January 11th at 1:20 pm (right after lunch).

2. The 2009 SCL/CCFFR Meeting in Ottawa, Ontario

The 2009 SCL/CCFFR annual meeting will be held from January 9-11 at the Westin Hotel, downtown Ottawa, Ontario.

The early registration deadline is December 9th 2008. Please check the SCL website for further information on this meeting

Student Activities During the SCL/CCFFR meeting:

- **Lunchtime discussion panel: “The transition from grad school to a career.”**
A panel of experts from Academia, Industry, Government, and Non-Profit will be on hand to provide advice and answer your questions about future careers. This is a great opportunity to get advice on how to maximize your grad school experience for your chosen career path, so bring your lunch and join us for this discussion panel.
- **Student housing pool for conference meeting**
Coordination of roommates for the next SCL meeting will be done at the beginning to middle of November. If you would like to share a hotel room with another SCL student member to reduce costs, please send an e-mail request to the student representatives.

The SCL/CCFFR is looking for student volunteers for the Ottawa meeting

Student volunteers are needed for the upcoming SCL/CCFFR meeting in Ottawa for working the registration desk and operating the AV equipment during the sessions. Volunteer shifts will be 3 hours long and the student will receive \$100.00 for their help. If you are interested in volunteering please email Jesse Vermaire (jesse.vermaire@mail.mcgill.ca) and provide your name, affiliation, email address, and availability. Positions will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

3. 2007-2008 Agenda for Members

Deadline

Deadline for early-bird 2009 SCL-CCFFR meeting registration

09 Dec, 2008

Deadline for early-bird SCL membership renewal

15 Dec, 2008

4. Student Awards and Services

Peters Award

To be given for best student lead-authored paper within the last two years dealing with a topic related to aquatic sciences. The paper must come from a Canadian institution (located in Canada) or a Canadian citizen (author) and includes non-Canadians studying in Canada and Canadians studying at home or overseas. To be considered in the competition, the student may apply for the award or may be nominated by the student's supervisor or colleague familiar with the work.

Discussion forum

We are currently working on setting up an online discussion board to facilitate communication between SCL student members. Once this online forum is up and running we will send out instructions on how to sign up for this discussion forum.

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