

**Newsletter of the Southeastern Chapter of ESA
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Message from the Chair:

I hope that many of you are planning on attending the ASB meeting in Washington, D.C. April 10-13, 2003. Our Chapter will be sponsoring a symposium, holding our annual business meeting, electing a vice-chair for 2003-2005, and sponsoring the Odum Award for the best ecological paper presented by a student.

Spring 2003 Chapter Meeting in Washington D.C.: The chapter will meet with the Association of Southeastern Biologists (ASB) April 10-13, 2003 at Howard University in Washington D.C. Our section will sponsor a symposium "Forest fragmentation and biodiversity in the Southeastern United States" coordinated by Scott Franklin, University of Memphis. Have an idea for a Chapter-sponsored workshop or symposium for 2004?--contact Pat Parr.

2003 Elections: Elections for vice-chair will be held at the Spring 2003 meeting with the term beginning in August. Persons interested in being candidates for this position should contact Pat Parr by Jan. Early nominations for chair and secretary/treasurer for 2004 elections are also welcome.

2003 Odum Award: The Chapter sponsors the Eugene P. Odum Award for the best ecological paper presented by a student at the ASB meeting. Students are encouraged to submit their papers for consideration. Check the ASB web site, <http://www.asb.appstate.edu/future.htm>, for details.

Membership Renewal: Please remember to renew your membership in the SE chapter when you renew your ESA membership. Also, check that ESA has your

email address correct. Your donations to the Eugene P. Odum Fund support the 2003 best student paper award.

Upcoming Meetings and Symposia: The 2003 ESA Meeting will be held August 3-8 in Savannah, Georgia, <http://www.esa.org/savannah/>. The SE Chapter will have an informal brown-bag lunch at this meeting. Other meetings of interest to ecologists in the southeast: The Society of Wetland Scientists will hold their 24th Annual Meeting, June 8-13, 2003, in New Orleans, LA. USDA Symposium on Natural Resource Management to Offset Greenhouse Gas Emissions will be held in Raleigh, NC, Nov. 19-21, 2002. The Coastal Plains Chapter of the Society for Ecological Restoration seeks abstracts for presentations at the Annual Symposium and Membership Meeting to be held February 27 and 28, 2003 at the University of Georgia in Athens. The 2nd International Wildland Fire Ecology and Fire Management Congress will be held 16-20 November 2003, Colorado Springs Resort, Orlando, Florida.

Job announcements: The University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Research Laboratory is looking for a qualified PhD to teach a 5-week class in Marine Ecology in the summer of 2003. Potential applicants may contact Chet Rakocinski (chet.rakocinski@usm.edu).

Keeping in touch: Join the Southeastern Chapter of ESA LISTSERVER: To join the ListServer, send a message to <majordomo@mail.auburn.edu> with the following command in the body of your email message: subscribe scesa . If you use a signature file, it's best to turn it off. If you have news or announcement for the Southeastern Chapter's Homepage, please send them to Mark MacKenzie.

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