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2004 Ecological Society of America Meeting, Portland, Oregon: The brown bag lunch meeting of the Southeastern Chapter was held August 3, 2004 at the annual meeting of the Ecological Society of America. Announcements made at this meeting are posted on the chapter web site.

Membership Renewal and Award Support: Please remember to renew your membership in the SE chapter when you renew your ESA membership. Your donations to the Eugene P. Odum Fund and the new Quarterman-Keever Fund support the best student paper and poster awards, respectively, at the Association of Southeastern Biologists Annual Meetings.

Quarterman-Keever Award Funding: The Quarterman-Keever award for the best student poster will be awarded for the first time at the Association of Southeastern Biologists Meeting in 2005. The Chapter established this award in April 2004 to honor the achievements and contributions of Elsie Quarterman and Catherine Keever. ESA has requested that the award reach the sustainable level of \$10,000 within two years and Elsie Quarterman, herself, made the first contribution. Your contribution can be made by check payable to the Ecological Society of America (Quarterman-Keever Award), sent to Ecological Society of America, Elizabeth Biggs, CFO, 1707 H Street, NW – Suite 400, Washington, D.C. 20006-3915.

Upcoming Meetings

2005 ASB Meeting: The 2005 meeting of the Association of Southeastern Biologists will be held April 13-16, 2005 in Florence, Alabama, hosted by the University of North Alabama. Abstracts are due November 12, 2004, and the September 2004 issue of *Southeastern Biologist* and <http://www.asb.appstate.edu/Preliminary2005.htm> explain the submission process. Do note that abstracts are to be submitted as an email attachment and all oral presentations must be made with either overheads or Microsoft Powerpoint. Authors using Microsoft Powerpoint must submit a CD containing their presentation by April 1, 2005.

2005 ESA Meeting: In 2005, ESA will meet with INTECOL in Montreal, Canada August 7-12. Proposals for symposia at this meeting will also be due in early September 2004.

2006 ESA Meeting: The 2006 ESA Meeting will be held in Memphis, Tennessee. This will be a great opportunity for symposia and organized paper sessions related to Southeastern ecosystems and ecological issues. Scott Franklin, University of Memphis and Chair of the Local Host Committee, requests ideas and leaders for field trips for this meeting (.).

Keeping in touch: Check the Chapter Homepage: <http://www.auburn.edu/seesa/> for updates and additional information. Join the Southeastern Chapter of ESA LISTSERVER: To join the ListServer, send a message to majordomo@mail.auburn.edu with “subscribe scesa” in the body of the message. Please send news or announcements to scesa@mail.auburn.edu for distribution to the listserv, or to nwelch@mtsu.edu for inclusion in the next quarterly newsletter.

Respectfully,
Nicole Turrill Welch, Newsletter Editor