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100th Annual Meeting

Friday, April 10, 2015

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Saturday, April 11, 2015

Cedar Shore Resort and Bridges Conference Center

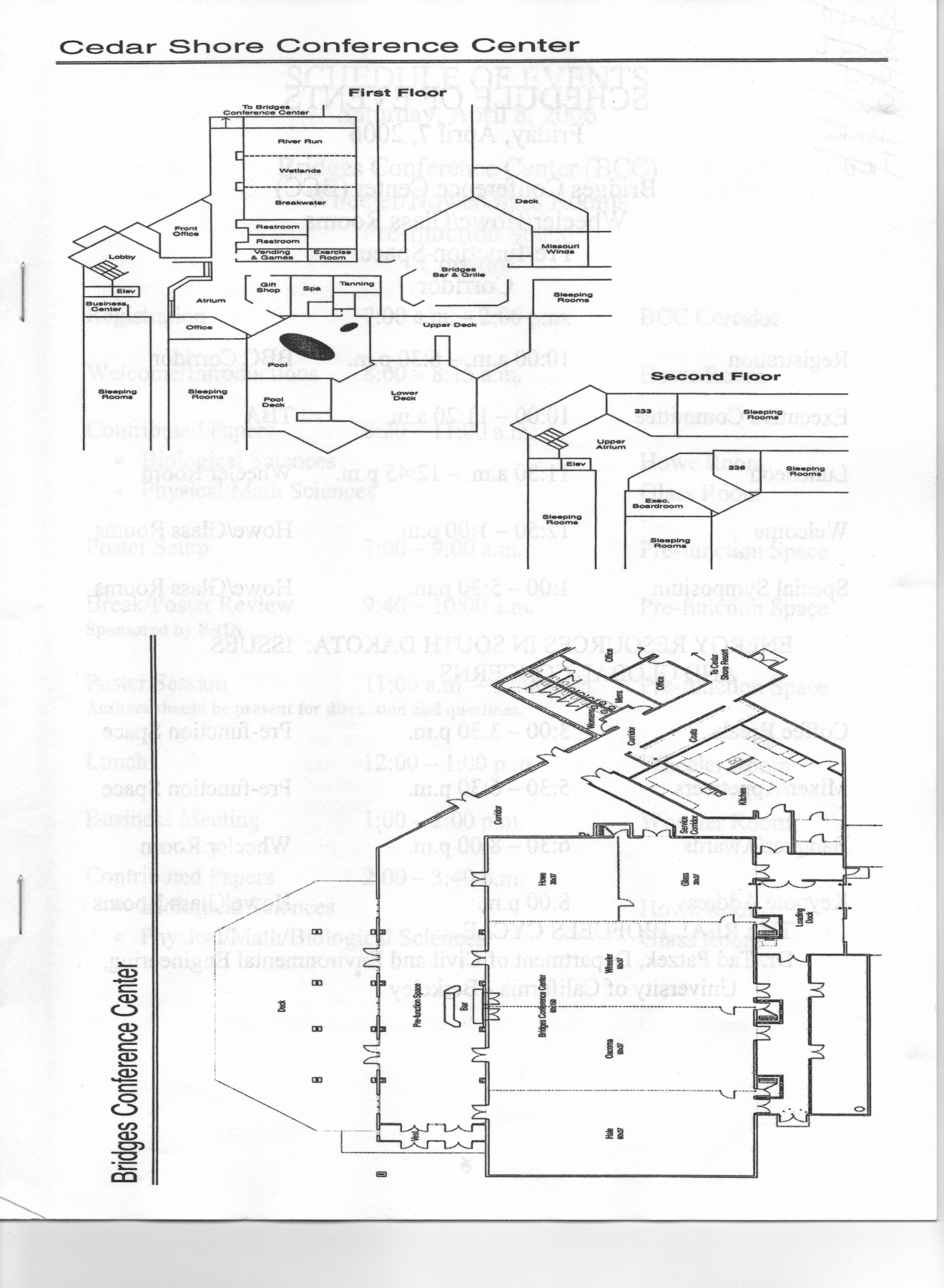
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2016 University of Sioux Falls

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**Friday, April 10, 2011**

Cedar Shore Resort and Bridges Conference Center

Wheeler/Howe/Glass Rooms

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**Applied Physics**

History of Science Symposium 9:00 AM—5:00 PM Glass

**A Century of South Dakota Scientists and Their Science**

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**“The South Dakota Academy of Science: A Century of Challenges and Triumphs”**

**Michael J. Mullin**

Professor of History

Augustana College

Sioux Falls, SD

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**Saturday April 11, 2015**

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Break/Poster Session 10:00 AM – NOON Corridor

**(Authors should be present at their posters for discussion)**

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Physics Symposium I

**Frontier Physics**

**8:00 AM-2:40 PM** **Howe**

**Section A** **(Opening - 8:00 am to 9:20 am, Chair: Tina Keller)**

**8:00 - 8:20** **Opening Symposium for "100 years of Physics in South Dakota: the**

**current legacy” Overview of the SD Physics for 100 years - Joel Rauber**

**8:20 - 8:40 SURF status - Jaret Heise**

**8:40- 9:00 NSF PIRE Consortium (CUBED) – Dongming Mei**

**9:00 - 9:20 Measured muon-induced fast neutrons - Chao Zhang**

***9:20- 9:50 Coffee Break***

**Section B (Astroparticle Physics - 9:50 - 11:40, Chair: Kara Keeter)**

**9:50 - 10:10 LUX/LZ - Kareem Kazkaz**

**10:10 - 10:30 SuperCDMS - Joel Sander**

**10:30 - 10:50 Darkside - Drew Alton**

**10:50- 11:00 LUX at SDSMT - Doug Tiedt (C)**

**11:00 - 11:10 Energy scale study for xenon detector - Lu Wang (C)**

**11:10 - 11:20 Plasma Effect study for Germanium Detectors - Wenzho Wei (C)**

**11:20 - 11:40 CASPAR - Xinhua Bai**

***11:40 - 12:40 Lunch Break***

**Section C (Neutrino Physics - 12:40 - 2:40, Chair: Joel Rauber)**

**12:40- 1:00 Majorana - Cabot-Ann Christofferson**

**1:00 - 1:20 EXO - Ryan Macllean**

**1:20 - 1:40 LBNE - Barbara Szczerbinska**

**1:40 - 2:00 LBNE at SDSMT - Juergen Reichenbacher**

**2:00 - 2:20 NOvA - Luke Corwin**

**2:20 - 2:40 IceCube - Xinhua Bai**

***2:40 - 3:00: Coffee Break***

Physics Symposium II

**Applied Physics**

**3:00 PM-5:50 PM** **Howe**

**Section A (High-purity materials - 3:00 - 4:10, Chair: Vladimir Sobolev)**

**3:00 - 3:20 PPC with amorphous Ge - Jing Liu**

**3:20 - 3:40 Zone Refining - Gang Yang**

**3:40 - 4:00 Crystal Growth - Guojian Wang**

**4:00- 4:10 Characterization aT USD - Hao Mei (C)**

**Section B: (Condensed matter, Atomic Physics/ nuclear physics, and others - 4:10 -**

**5:50, Chair: Drew Alton)**

**4:10 - 4:30 Condensed matter research at SDSMT - Vladimir Sobolev**

**4:30 - 4:50 Materials Science research development AT South Dakota State University - Yung Huh**

**4:50 - 5:10 Research on Atomic and Molecular Physics at Augie - Eric Wells**

**5:10 - 5:30 Research on Nuclear Physics at Augie - Nathan Grau**

**5:30 - 5:50 Research Experiences for Physics Undergraduates in Novel Magnetic Materials at South Dakota State University - Parashu Ram Kharel**

History of Science Symposium

**A Century of South Dakota Scientists and Their Science**

**9:00 AM -5:00 PM** **Glass**

**9:00-9:30 A CONCORDANCE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION THEMES IN THE SDAS PROCEEDINGS: The First Hundred Years.** **Cathy Ezrailson.** Education Department, University of South Dakota

**9:30-10:00 From Tabeau to SDOU: A brief history of ornithology in south Dakota with special reference to works published in the *Proceedings of the South Dakota Academy of Science.* David L. Swanson.** Department of Biology, University of South Dakota (15-16)

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**10:30-11:00 A CENTURY OF ACADEMY OF SCIENCE PUBLICATIONS WITH RELEVANCE TO SOUTH DAKOTA’S WILD FAUNA AND FOSSILS**. **Kenneth Higgins.** South Dakota State University (15-52)

**11:00-11:30 A History of Botanical Exploration in South Dakota**. **Mark Gabel\*1, Grace Kostel1 and David Ode2.** 1Herbarium, Dakota State University; 2South Dakota Game Fish and Parks

**11:30-12:00 Understanding South Dakota Water Resources: A Century of contributions from the academy. N. H. Troelstrup, Jr.\*, K. L. Faltys, L. C. Kuehl, and E. D. Peterson.** Department of Resource Management, South Dakota State University

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**1:30-2:00 Scientific Contributions of the South Dakota Academy of Science to Agriculture in South Dakota and Beyond: A Brief History.** **Arvid Boe.** Plant Science Department, South Dakota State University (15-86)

**2:00-2:30 South Dakota and Chemistry: A Rich History. Miles Koppang1\* and Matt Miller2.** 1Chemistry Department, University of South Dakota; 2Department of Chemistry, South Dakota State University (15-83)

**2:30-3:00 Historic Contributions of Geology and Hydrology Articles in the Proceedings of the South Dakota Academy of Science**. **Perry Rahn.**  Department of Geology & Geological Engineering, South Dakota School of Mines & Technology (15-87)

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**3:30-4:00 SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO PALEONTOLOGY IN 100 YEARS OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES. Ed Welsh\*1 and Sally Y. Shelton2.** 1Badlands National Park; 2South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (15-86)

**4:00-4:30 ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF VALUABLE SCIENTIFIC RECORDS: WHAT CRICIALLY IMPORTANT INFORMATION CAN WE “EXTRACT” FROM OUR PROCEEDINGS THAT INFORMS OUR COLLECTIVE FUTURE IN SOUTH DAKOTA AND THE WORLD. Nels Granholm.** South Dakota State University (15-84)

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**8:00-8:15 Investigating the Use of Copper photoredox Catalysts in an Enantioselective Reaction.** **Sarah A. Souder\*UG and Katrina H. Jensen.** Chemistry Department, Black Hills State University (15-37) JUDGE

**8:15-8:30 Electrochemical Study of Hybrid Silicon-Polyaniline Nanostructures for Lithium ion Battery anode Application**. **Michael McGraw\*UG, Praveen Kolla, and Alevtina Smirnova.** Department of Chemistry and Applied Biological Sciences, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (15-25) JUDGE

**8:30-8:45 Synthesis and Characterization of Ti2MnAl: A Potential Spin Gapless Semiconductor. Simeon Gilbert\*UG, Ryan FuglsbyUG, Yung Huh and Parashu Kharel.** Department of Physics, South Dakota State University (15-47) JUDGE

**8:45-9:00 Motivation and Development of the MPC-EX Detector at RHIC-PHENIX.** **Michael LeVan\*UG and Nathan Grau.** Physics Department, Augustana College (15-36) JUDGE

**9:00-9:15** **Microstructure and Physical Properties of THE Al2O3-40wt.%TiO2 Ceramic Coating**. **Ke Yang\*1,2 and Yefeng Bao1.**  1College of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, Hohai University; 2Department of Physics, South Dakota State University (15-21)

**9:15-9:30 THE LANGUAGE OF MODELS IN HYDROLOGY: A PARTICULIAR CASE FOR SOUTH DAKOTA**. **B. A. Shmagin.** Department of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering, South Dakota State University (15-26)

**9:30-9:45 FERMI’S QUESTION**. **Perry H. Rahn\*1 and Thomas V. Durkin2.** 1Department of Geology & Geological Engineering, 2NASA Space Grant Consortium, South Dakota School of Mines & Technology (15-04)

**9:45-10:00 CLOUD SEEDING AS A WATER MANAGEMENT TOOL IN WESTERN SOUTH DAKOTA. Andrew Detwiler.** Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences Program, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (15-20)

**10:00-10:15**  **BIOELECTROCHEMICAL/MEMBRANE TECHNOLOGIES FOR ENABLING ENERGY-EFFICIENT WASTEWATER REUSE IN POWER PLANTS. Namita Shrestha\*, Venkataramana Gadhamshetty and Gina ElmoreUG.** Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (15-75)

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**8:00-8:15 Enhanced proteasome function mediates the protection of PDE5 inhibition against myocardial ischemia-reperfusion injury. Erin J. M. Terpstra\*, Chengjun Hu, and Xuejun Wang.** Basic Biomedical Sciences Division, Sanford School of Medicine, University of South Dakota (15-65)

**8:15-8:30 Cloning, expression and purification of a hypothetical protein SAV1226 as a potential drug target for Methicillin/Vancomycin-*Staphylococcus aureus* Infections**. **Nichole Louise Haag, Kimberly Kay VelkUG, Kelly ShillingUG, Tyler McCuneUG, and Chun Wu\*.** Division of Natural Sciences, Mount Marty College (15-01)

**8:30-8:45 Forest Structure, Logging, and Introduced Plants in the Black Hills National Forest. Jack Butler\* and Stefanie Wacker.** Forest & Grassland Research Laboratory, Rocky Mountain Research Station, US Forest Service (15-61)

**8:45-9:00 TEMPERATURE, CLIPPING, AND DROUGHT EFFECTS ON BELOWGROUND BUD OUTGROWTH OF INVASIVE *BROMUS INERMIS* AND NATIVE *PASCOPYRUM SMITHII****.* **Jacqueline P. Ott\*1,2 Jack L. Butler2, Yuping Rong3, and Lan Xu1.**  1Department of Natural Resource Management, South Dakota State University; 2Forest and Grassland Research Laboratory, Rocky Mountain Research Station, U.S. Forest Service; 3Department of Grassland Science, Animal Science & Technology College, China Agricultural University (15-17)

**9:00-9:15 Reasons Anglers Did Not Respond to an Internet Survey and Evaluation of Data Quality**. **Larry M. Gigliotti\*1 and Kjetil R. Henderson2.** 1U.S. Geological Survey, South Dakota Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, South Dakota State University, 2United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Carterville Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office (15-05)

**9:15-9:30 ANGLER SATISFACTION IN SOUTH DAKOTA. Kjetil Henderson1 and Larry Gigliotti\*2.** 1U.S. Geological Survey, South Dakota Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, South Dakota State University, 2United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Carterville Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office (15-06)

**9:30-9:45 Toxicity of Ammonia to Rio Grande Silvery Minnow under Various Exposure Regimes.** **Kevin H. Buhl.** USGS Columbia Environmental Research Center, Yankton Field Research Station (15-42)

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**8:00-8:15 Daily activity pattern and circadian rhythm in a Nicrophorine burying beetle (*Nicrophorus marginatus*). Leah M. Hiller\*UG, April E. ParsonsUG, Carrie L. Hall, and Daniel R. Howard.**  Biology Department, Augustana College (15-62) JUDGE

**8:15-8:30 CHARACTERIZATION OF *dIAPORTHE* SPECIES INFECTING SOYBEANS (*GLYCINE MAX* l.) IN SOUTH DAKOTA. Ahmed Gebreil\*, Ana Micijevic, Alec WeberUG, Luke HyronimusUG, and Febina Mathew.** Department of Plant Sciences, South Dakota State University (15-07)

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**8:45-9:00** **First Report of Seed Predators of Platte Milk-vetch (*Astragalus plattensis* Nutt. Ex T. & G.). Arvid Boe\* and Paul J. Johnson.** Plant Science Department, South Dakota State University (15-81)

**9:00-9:15 Below ground bud bank of *Bromus inermis* in response to mowing frequency over two growing seasons. Denise Olson\*1UG, Lan Xu1, Arvid Boe2, and Nels H. Troelstrup, Jr.1** Department of Natural Resource Management, 2Plant Science Department, South Dakota State University (15-74) JUDGE

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**9:30-9:45 PRAIRIE OR WOODLAND? RECONSTRUCTING PAST PLANT COMMUNITIES AT GOOD EARTH STATE PARK VIA SOIL CORE AND TREE CORE ANALYSIS. Mason D. VanEssen\*1UG, Craig N. Spencer1, and W. Carter Johnson2.** 1Biology Department, Augustana College, 2Department of Natural Resource Management, South Dakota State University (15-38) JUDGE

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**NOTEWORTHY HEALED FRACTURES IN SOME AMERICAN ARTIODACTYLA**. **Eric Deeble1, Barbara Smith Grandstaff1, and David C. Parris\*2.** 1School of Veterinary Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; 2Bureau of Natural History, New Jersey State Museum (15-02)

**ECOLOGICAL MODEL FOR CLASSIFICATION AND MONITORING GREEN ASH- chokecherry - western snowberry ECOLOGICAL TYPE IN THE NORTHERN GREAT PLAINS. D.W. Uresk\*, K.E. Severson, and J. Javersak.** USDA-Forest Service (15-10)

**DETECTING AND QUANTIFYING SOYBEAN STEM CANKER PATHOGENS (*DIAPORTHE* SP.) IN SOIL AND PLANT SAMPLES USING REAL-TIME PCR**. **Brian Kontz\*, Sajag Adhikari, Pamela Bartlett, Thomas Chase, Senthil Subramanian, and Febina Mathew.** Department of Plant Science, South Dakota State University (10-11)

**EVALUATING CATTLE INTROGRESSION IN BISON ON THE PINE RIDGE RESERVATION. Tada R. Vargas\*1UG, A. Higa1, and Forrest Cain2.** 1Oglala Lakota College; 2Black Hills State University (15-41) JUDGE

**IDENTIFICATION OF DISEASE RESISTANCE GENES IN *AEGILOPS TAUSCHII* COSS. (POACEAE). Samantha R. Shaw\*UG, Ethan J. Andersen\* and Madhav P. Nepal.** Biostress Lab, South Dakota State University (15-54) JUDGE

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**Potential Use Of Lectins To Identify Intact And Ruptured Trichostrongyle Nematode Eggs In Sheep Fecal Samples**. **Y. M. Al-Kappany\*1, A. Sarah2, and M .B. Hildreth2,3.**  1Department of Parasitology, Mansoura University;2Department of Veterinary & Biomedical Sciences, 3Department of Biology & Microbiology, South Dakota State University (15-48)

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**A Historical Perspective of Mosquito Surveillance in South Dakota. G. P. Vincent\*1, C. D. Carlson2, L. Kightlinger3, M. C. Wimberly4, and M. B. Hildreth1.** **1**Department of Biology and Microbiology, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD 57007; **2**South Dakota Public Health Laboratory, **2**South Dakota Department of Health Pierre, SD 57501; **4**Geographic Information Science Center of Excellence (GIScCE), South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD 57007

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**First Report of Anthelmintic Resistant Trichostrongyle Nematodes in a Goat Herd from East-central South Dakota.** **K. Gustafson\*1UG, Y. M. Al-Kappany2, A. Sarah3, and M. B. Hildreth1,3. 1**Department of Biology and Microbiology, South Dakota State University, **2**South Dakota Public Health Laboratory, **2**South Dakota Department of Health; **4**Geographic Information Science Center of Excellence, South Dakota State University (15-51) JUDGE

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**Above-ground pitfall trap efficacy in field surveys for the endangered American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*). Rachel E. Jorde, Elisabeth K. Jorde, Carrie L. Hall\*, and Daniel R. Howard.** Biology Department, Augustana College (15-63)

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**Isolation, Identification and Characterization of Bacterial Micro-Flora Exhibiting Insecticidal Activity. L. A. Kempf\*UG, S. J. BahrUG, S. A. SorensonUG, and J. C. Mitchell.** Biology Department, Northern State University (15-76) JUDGE

**A Survey of Mosquito Populations in Brown County, SD Implications for West Nile Virus. S. J. Bahr\*UG, K. K. CrossUG, B. M. CrosswaitUG, M. D. HenschelUG, A. A. IversonUG, M. J. MustonUG, S. A. SorensonUG, K. M. RundquistUG, M. L. WardUG, B. L. RoseUG, A. M. Anderson, and J. C. Mitchell.**  Biology Department, Northern State University (15-77) JUDGE

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**Nitrogen Fixing Endophytes of a Non-nodule Forming Legume. Tyrel Deutscher\*1, Volker Brözel1, Leslie Henry2, and R. Neil Reese1.** 1Department of Biology and Microbiology, South Dakota State University; 2Agriculture Extension, Oglala Lakota College (15-93)

**A Novel Design for a High-Efficiency Phased Array Feed Digital Down-Link.  Luke Hawkins\*UG.  N**ational Radio Astronomy Observatory, Green Bank Site, Green Bank, WV 24944 (15-94) JUDGE​

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**Session D. Biology—Moderator: Nels Troelstrup, Jr.**

**2:00 PM -3:15** PM **Howe**

**2:00-2:15 A HISTORCIAL COMPARISON OF NATIVE UNIONDAE MUSSEL DECLINE IN EASTERN SOUTH DAKOTA**. **Kaylee Faltys\* and Nels H. Troelstrup Jr., Chelsey Pasbrig, and Mike Smith.** Department of Natural Resource Management, South Dakota State University (15-44) JUDGE

**2:15-2:30 PHYSICAL HABITAT CHARACTERIZATION OF PERENNIAL WADEABLE STREAMS IN THE NORTHWESTERN GREAT PLAINS OF SOUTH DAKOTA.** **Lyntausha C. Kuehl\*, Chad Kaiser, Katie N. Bertrand, and Nels H. Troelstrup, Jr.** Department of Natural Resource Management, South Dakota State University (15-40) JUDGE

**2:30-2:45 Weather and Temporal Effects on Urban Common Nighthawk (*Chordeiles minor*) Activity during the Breeding Season.**  **G. N. Newberry\* and D. L. Swanson.** Department of Biology, University of South Dakota (15-12) JUDGE

**2:45-3:00** **Identification and characterization of drought-tolerant alfalfa (*Medicago sativa* subsp. *falcata*) germplasm**. **Austin Hanson\*1UG, Lan Xu1, Arvid Boe2, Patricia S. Johnson2, Roger N. Gates2, and Yajun Wu3.** Department of Natural Resource Management, South Dakota State University (15-28) JUDGE

**3:00-3:15** **Bioelectrochemical/membrane technologies for enabling energy-efficient wastewater reuse in power plants. Namita Shrestha*\**, Venkataramana Gadhamshetty, and Gina Elmore\*UG.** Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (15-78) JUDGE

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**2:00-2:15 STRATIGRAPHIC AND TAXONOMIC REVISION OF A NORTH AMERICAN FALSE SABER-TOOTHED CAT CUB. E. Welsh\*1, C. A. Boyd2, and K. Spearing3.** 1Badlands National Park, 2North Dakota Geological Survey, 3Morningside College (15-72)

**2:15-2:30 Prey availability and diet composition of woodland migrants at natural riparian woodlands and anthropogenic woodlots of the Northern Prairie region. Ming Liu\* and David L. Swanson.** Department of Biology, University of South Dakota (15-30)

**2:30-2:45 Radio-telemetry measurements of stopover behavior of fall migrant Yellow-rumped Warblers (*Setophaga coronata*) in Missouri River riparian forests and anthropogenic woodlots**. **Ming Liu and David L. Swanson\*.** Department of Biology, University of South Dakota (15-14)

**2:45-3:00**  **pHOSPHORUS CONCENTRATIONS IN tRIBUTARIES AND lAKES OF THE lAKE hERMAN AND lAKE mADISON wATERSHED. Dale L. Droge\* and Courtney H. HamblinUG.** College of Arts and Sciences, Dakota State University (15-59)