HRC programming for ESA2014

The upcoming Sacramento meeting of the Society August 10-15 features the following sessions organized by HRC’s Program Subcommittee. Join us for historical perspectives in these topics:

SS 2 Ecological Concepts: Of What Value, and for Whom?
Bill Reiners and Jeff Lockwood will lead discussion of important “concepts,” participants fill out a survey, and the results will be discussed, then displayed in a poster on Wednesday.
Monday, August 11, 2014: 10:15 AM-11:30 AM  203, Sacramento Convention Center

OPS 3 Ecological Century: Perspectives on the Evolution of the Discipline
Sponsored by the Historical Records Committee, these five posters will provide a forum for fostering discussion about the history of ecology and of the Ecological Society of America as the Centennial approaches.
Wednesday, August 13, 2014: 4:30 PM-6:30 PM Exhibit Hall, Sacramento Convention Center

OPS 3-1 Taking historical records online: ESA’s evolving digital footprint
Sally L. White, Morrison, CO; Robert K. Peet, University of North Carolina; C. Susannah Tyso, University of British Columbia

OPS 3-2 Appalachian Springboard: ESA co-founder Victor Shelford and his undergraduate experience at West Virginia University
Kathleen J. Fichtel, West Virginia University; Robert H. Jones, West Virginia University

OPS 3-3 The Dark Ages: The historical and societal context for the work of Ruth Patrick and Women in Ecology Daniel S. Song, University of Pennsylvania

OPS 3-5 History of the United States National Vegetation Classification System
Scott B. Franklin, University of Northern Colorado; Robert K. Peet, University of North Carolina; David Roberts, Montana State University; Orie L. Loucks, Miami University; Michael Jennings, University of Idaho; Alexa McKerrow, United States Geological Survey; Don Faber-Langendoen, NatureServe

OPS 3-6 Ecological concepts: Of what value, and for whom? Results of a survey
William A. Reiners, University of Wyoming

OOS 42 ESA’s Struggle for Identity Over the First 100 Years: Lessons for the Future?
The Ecological Society of America (ESA) was formed in 1915 with the express intent of bringing those interested in ecology together to share common interests in a way not possible in other societies of the time.
Thursday, August 14, 2014: 1:30 PM-5:00 PM  204, Sacramento Convention Center

OOS 42-1 1:30 PM How a new society found its bearings: Membership demographics and interests during the Ecological Society of America’s early years Juliana C. Mulroy, Denison University; Alison Anastasio, University of Chicago

OOS 42-2 1:50 PM Ecological Society of America Valley Conservation
The other "E": Entomologists and entomology in (and out) of the Terry A. Wheeler, McGill University; Laura L. Timms, Credit
"Ecology was everywhere": Ecological leaders from West Virginia
Kathleen J. Fichtel, West Virginia University; Robert H. Jones, West Virginia University

Ecology's roots at historically black colleges
Charles H. Nilon, University of Missouri; George A. Middendorf, Howard University; Muriel Poston, Pitzer College

Diversity in ESA at 100: An historic assessment
Christopher Beck, Emory University; Kate S. Boersma, University of San Diego; C. Susannah Tysoe, University of British Columbia; George Middendorf, Howard University

Human ecology at ESA: An historical review
Rich Borden, College of the Atlantic; Robert A. Dyball, Australian National University

With respect to the ESA, how ecological is ecological restoration? Where has ecological restoration been and where might it go?
Stuart K. Allison, Knox College

Different ways of knowing: ESA and its adaptation to multicultural complexities
Jesse Ford, Oregon State University

In addition to our programs, several other history related sessions are available this year.

SYMP 18 Island Biogeography, from the Oceans to the Sky: Recent Advances and an Emerging Synthesis
Thursday, August 14, 2014: 8:00 AM-11:30 AM at Tofanell, Sheraton Hotel
Opens with a presentation on the History of island biogeography, new directions, and the emerging unifying theory by Michael Krabbe Borregaard, University of Oxford.

OOS 11 Nurturing Ideas and Scientists in Ecology: A Tribute to Bill Robertson
Tuesday, August 12, 2014: 8:00 AM-11:30 AM, Magnolia, Sheraton Hotel
Includes presentation on his Impact on the Ecological Society of America by Katherine McCarter

SYMP 17 Science Matters: Lessons in Climate Policy Making from California
Thursday, August 14, 2014: 8:00 AM-11:30 AM, Gardenia, Sheraton Hotel
Explores the role of input from ecological scientists in policy and how ecological knowledge has shaped implementation of climate policy