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No Biology Colloquium this week

in honor of

Caesar Chavez

New Publication in Top-tier Journal

Proceedings of the Royal Society B has published, "Effects of diurnally oscillating pCO₂ on the calcification and survival of coral recruits" by graduate student **Aaron Dufault**, **Dr. Vivian Cumbo**, **Dr. Tung-Yung Fan**, and **Dr. Peter Edmunds**. The research was conducted in Taiwan. This is the highest profile journal for ecological research (other than *Nature* and *Science*)—a phenomenal accomplishment for a master's student to earn as a product of his thesis.

NSF Panel Service

Dr. Robert Espinoza is in Washington DC this week serving on a proposal review panel for the National Science Foundation. Along with colleagues from all over the country, Espinoza will review proposals in the area of Organism–Environment Interactions.

Grad Receives Grant

MS student **Jason Warner** received a grant from *Sigma Xi* (\$400) to fund his research on the cold-hardiness strategies of lizards from Argentina.

Summer School

This Monday, 26 March, registration for CSUN's Summer School begins. After our problems providing classes for the current semester, you might want to consider taking a class or two in summer so as to get back on track as regards your degree, if you can afford it.

This year, the Biology Department is offering a wide variety of lower division classes (BIOL 106/L, 107/L, 281/282), upper division core classes (BIOL 322, 360 and 380), and *five* upper division selective courses (BIOL 312 Vertebrate Biology, BIOL 315 Microbiology, BIOL 421 Marine Biology, BIOL 435 Parasitology, BIOL 577 Cell and Tissue Culture).

In addition, the Department has a few GE courses that may interest you: BIOL 327 Ecology and People (for GE Lifelong Learning) and BIOL 325 Life in the Sea (for

GE upper division units—and taught for the first time in Malibu).

Remember to sign-up early as many of the specialty courses fill quickly.

Next Week: Spring Break!

Time to catch up with studying and life! Whip those term papers into shape. No *Biosphere* until 9 April.

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