



Fish Health Section



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FHS NEWS

Greetings Fish Health Section Members,

No inspirational quote this time. But, I do have two more appointments to make. The first is to name Cindy Stine to the Awards Committee. Cindy works as a Research Biologist in the FDA CVM Office of Research in Laurel, MD. She has been fully vetted and is looking forward to giving out Snieszko Student Travel Awards to deserving students they can attend the awesome meeting we are going to throw in Ithaca next July 13, 14, and 15 (more shameless plugs to come next month). Speaking of next year's Annual Fish Health Section Meeting, anyone interested in being an official sponsor, please contact me. The second appointment is to name our Vice President Dave Groman to the new QA/QC Committee. Those of you who attended the ISAAH meeting in Portland, OR heard Dave demonstrate the progress that UPEI has made in this area already. Finally, for all of you who knew Steve Kaattari, our fish health community has suffered a great loss.

Rod Getchell

JOBS

Microbiologist II – see attached Micro2 Vacancy announcement.pdf
NW Indian Fisheries Commission

RESOURCES

Western Fisheries Science News - <http://wfrc.usgs.gov/newsletter/>

Dear WFRM Colleagues, Partners and Friends;

Please enjoy the latest issue of our Center newsletter, designed to update you on science, new publications, events and news from the U.S. Geological Survey, Western Fisheries Research Center (WFRM). WFRM scientists conduct research on aquatic animal health; restoration ecology; and drivers of ecosystem change at six different field stations throughout Washington, Oregon and Nevada. We hope that this newsletter will help familiarize you with WFRM science and update you on our latest developments. Please forward to colleagues who may also benefit from these communications.

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PASSING

Steve Kaattari

Dear VIMS Community,

It is with deep sadness that I announce the passing of Stephen L. Kaattari, CSX Professor of Marine Science, Emeritus, on November 11, 2014. Steve joined the W&M/VIMS faculty in 1993 and just recently retired in January 2014. He served as Chair of the Department of Environmental and Aquatic Animal Health (currently Aquatic Health Sciences) from 2002 to 2004. Prior to joining VIMS, Steve was a Professor of Microbiology at Oregon State University where he served on the faculty for ten years.

Steve was a highly respected and internationally recognized researcher, as well as an extraordinary teacher and mentor. Steve's research program melded basic research in immunology with applied end goals to provide innovative and practical new tools for the scientific community and the public. His research has provided new understanding of basic immune functions and has produced vaccines for use in aquaculture. His more recent work included development of real-time sensor platforms that are now being used to analyze pollutants in Chesapeake Bay. Products from his research have resulted in new patents in the United States and Britain and have led to new areas of research that continue today. Steve advised 20 graduate students, 11 postdoctoral trainees, numerous undergraduates and served on over 75 graduate student committees.

During Steve's tenure at VIMS, he secured more than \$8 million in competitive extramural grants and contracts to support his research program. He authored or co-authored more than 90 technical articles and books. Steve reviewed more than 350 proposals and over 400 manuscripts for the scientific community and served on numerous advisory committees for professional societies. In 2004, Steve was awarded a special achievement award by the American Fisheries Society.

Most recently, Steve chaired the faculty search committee that ultimately led to two new outstanding hires at VIMS. He was very dedicated to serving the Institute and was excited to play a part in rebuilding the VIMS faculty following several recent retirements.

I, and the entire VIMS community will miss Steve tremendously, but he will not be forgotten, as his legacy will live on at VIMS. My deepest sympathies go out to his wife, Ilsa, and their family. I will let you know once a memorial service is planned.

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