



NRES WEEKLY NEWS

April 21-25, 2008

A newsletter for faculty, staff and students
who participate in the
Natural Resources & Environmental Studies Institute
and NRES Graduate Programs

COMING EVENTS

THESIS DEFENCES

Mr. Mohammad Rahman is a candidate for the degree:

Master of Science in Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (Environmental Science)

Mr. Rahman will be defending his thesis entitled:

"DEVELOPMENT OF FUZZY MULTI-CRITERIA DECISION ANALYSIS APPROACH FOR CONTAMINATED SITE MANAGEMENT"

Co-Supervisors: Drs. Jianbing Li and Jueyi Sui

Date: April 18, 2008

Time: 9:00 am

Place: Room 6-205
Conference Centre

Miss Yumiko Miyamoto is a candidate for the degree:

Master of Science in Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (Forestry)

Miss Miyamoto will be defending her thesis entitled:

"GROWTH RESPONSES OF THREE COEXISTING CONIFER SPECIES TO CLIMATE VARIABLES ACROSS A RANGE OF CLIMATE CONDITIONS"

Supervisor: Dr. Scott Green

Date: April 18, 2008

Time: 9:00 am

Place: Room 6-307
Conference Centre

Mr. Doug McMillan is a candidate for the degree:

Master of Science in Natural Resources And Environmental Studies (Environmental Science)

Mr. McMillan will be defending his thesis entitled:

"THE REDUCTION OF PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS IN SOIL UNDER SALINE CONDITIONS USING ULTRASOUND"

Supervisor: Dr. Jianbing Li

Date: April 18, 2008

Time: 2:00 pm

Place: Room 1079
Senate Chambers

THESIS DEFENCES

Mr. Brian Milakovic is a candidate for the degree:
Doctor of Philosophy in Natural Resources and Environmental Studies

Mr. Milakovic will be defending his dissertation entitled:

“DEFINING THE PREDATOR LANDSCAPE OF NORTHEASTERN BRITISH COLUMBIA”

Supervisor: Dr. Katherine Parker

Date: April 21, 2008

Time: 1:00 pm

Place: Room 6-205
Conference Centre

Ms. Laura Gareau is a candidate for the degree:
Master of Natural Resources and Environmental Studies

Ms. Gareau will be defending her thesis entitled:

“EXPLORING THE ‘INTERFACE’ BETWEEN TRADITIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE FOOD SYSTEMS”

Supervisor: Dr. David Connell

Date: April 23, 2008

Time: 11:30 am

Place: Room 6-205
Conference Centre

WELCOME



Cen Juyan arrived from China to spend one year as a Visiting Scholar working with **Oscar Garcia** at UNBC. He is a Senior Engineer with the Guangxi Forestry Survey and Planning Institute, and comes on a scholarship from the Guangxi Ministry of Education."

Canadian Institute of Forestry

2008 AGM & International Night

Friday, April 18
Otway Nordic Centre

RSVP: Scott.Scholefield@gov.bc.ca

REMINDER: Share your information about recent publications, grants, and/or other honours you may have received with others interested in NRES issues.

PLEASE EMAIL ALL INFORMATION AND MATERIAL TO ELISSA ZEMLAK: zemplak@unbc.ca

TRAVEL

Brian Aukema and students Honey Giroday and Fraser McKee gave presentations at the Western Forest Insect Work Conference in Boulder, Colorado April 7-11. In an effort to escape thesis writing, Matthew Klingenberg joins the crew in Kamloops April 21-23 for presentations at the AB/BC Intermountain Forest Health Meeting. **Staffan Lindgren** is tour guide and chauffeur.

Ian Hartley traveled to Quebec City for a meeting with the “ForValueNet – NSERC Strategic Network on Forest Management for Value-Added Products” members. The Network is made up of researchers from 10 universities, government agencies from 5 provinces and 5 industry partners examining 5 key areas – stand and tree growth modeling; 3D stem quality modeling; sawmilling product recovery modeling; fiber-based and solid value-added wood products recovery milling; and, development of an integrated decision support systems. The Network was established in January 2008 and has a 5-year mandate.

Chris Hawkins was in Fort Nelson April 12-17 to measure experimental trees.

April 24 - May 7, 2008, **Roy Rea** will travel to Quebec for research. Roy will be examining field sites for his work on moose-vehicle collision mitigation measures.