



NRES WEEKLY NEWS

July 26 - August 5, 2011

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

COMING EVENTS

GRADUATE THESIS DEFENCE

Ms. Laura Machial is a candidate for the degree:

Master of Science in Natural Resources and Environmental Studies

Ms. Machial will be defending her thesis entitled:

“Adult Movement and Host-Orientation Behaviour of Warren Root Collar Weevil,
Hylobius Warreni Wood”

Supervisor: **Dr. Brian Aukema**

Date: **July 29, 2011** Time: 9:00 am Room: 6-205/211

GRADUATE THESIS DEFENCE

Mr. R.G. Christopher Turner is a candidate for the degree:

Master of Arts in Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (Geography)

Mr. Turner will be defending his thesis entitled:

“Overlap: Causes and Implications of Contested Indigenous Claims to Territory
in the Context of the BC Treaty Process”

Supervisor: **Dr. Gail Fondahl**

Date: **August 3, 2011** Time: **10:00** am Room: 6-205/211

NOTE CORRECT TIME

CONGRATULATIONS

Brian Menounos has received the 2010 Editors' Citation for Excellence in Refereeing for Eos, one of the American Geophysical Union's most popular journals (60,000 subscribers).

The Canadian Alpine Club has published a state of the mountains report that features **Brian Menounos**. The report can be read at: <http://issuu.com/alpineclubofcanada/docs/acc-sotm>

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CONGRATULATIONS (cont'd)

Congratulations to Yanjie Cheng (PhD NRES, May 2010, supervisors: **Youmin Tang** and **Peter Jackson**), who was awarded the Tertia M. C. Hughes Memorial Graduate Student Prize for 2010 by Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society. There are no more than two recipients each year for this award, selected from all graduates majoring in oceanic and atmospheric sciences in Canada. Yanjie is the only a recipient this year.

The award consists of a certificate with the following citation: "To Yanjie Cheng, for his outstanding Ph. D. dissertation at the University of Northern British Columbia, which led to five refereed publications in top-tier journals. Each paper addressed the very challenging and important issue of ENSO (El Nino/Southern Oscillation) prediction and predictability."

Theo Mlynowski, NRES MSc candidate, Geography (supervisor: **Brian Menounos**) received a \$1,000 graduate student grant from the Geological Society of America for his proposed thesis project, "The relation of glacier activity to sediment yield in a proglacial lake, Peyto Basin, Alberta".

TRAVEL

Art Fredeen presented a poster and talk at the Plant Canada meetings in Halifax, NS 17 - 21 July.

Amallesh Dhar (ESM Postdoctoral Fellow) participated in the 8th North American Forest Ecology Workshop, held in Virginia, USA, 19 - 24 June. He presented papers on "Chemical brushing for forest vegetation management in British Columbia: impact on species' diversity, growth and White pine weevil attack" co-authored with **Chris Hawkins**.

Dezene Huber attended the 27th Annual Meeting of the International Society of Chemical Ecology 24 - 28 July at Simon Fraser University. Dezene co-organized two sessions at the conference (one of them along with **Brian Aukema**). He was also involved in three presentations and helped with some aspects of the conference organization. Erin Clark, a PhD student in Dezene's research program, also attended and presented.

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