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COAA Annual Family and Friend Picnic Day 2014

August 2014 - The 2014 COAA Annual Family and Friend Picnic Day took place on August 31 in the Cabin John Regional Park, Bethesda, MD. It was one of the hottest and most humid days of this summer, but sunshine and humidity did not stop the attendees, but rather boosted up the enthusiasm. More than 60 people, including many long-term and new COAA members from the Washington D.C. area and visiting scholars from China, attended this event. Everyone enjoyed the gathering with old and new friends in a very relaxed atmosphere. The conversation covered a wild variety of topics of research, education and family life. Families of COAA members also participated with great passion and delicious potluck foods. COAA provided barbeque entries, fruits and beverages. The President, Chung-Chu Teng, greeted all the attendees. After picnic a board meeting was held to make plans for several future activities including COAA AGU and AMS elections, receptions and COAA honorary member selection.

The pictures for this event can be accessed from the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B6XSYaEgYeipejNNaExhNG9uR1U&usp=sharing>



COAA Annual Family and Friend Picnic Day, Fall 2014

COAA was founded in 1993. The main purpose is to enhance connections and to inspire new collaborations among the Chinese oceanic, atmospheric and land scientists and related professionals in the United States, and closely networking with the scientists and professionals from the Chinese mainland, Taiwan, Hong Kong and around the world. COAA also strives to promote the exchange of ideas and information in the field of atmospheric, oceanic and terrestrial research. For more information, please visit the COAA website at <http://www.coaaweb.org/index.php>

(News provided by Dr. Jie Gong; Photo credit to Dr. Chung-Chu Teng)

COAA SCC Annual Summer Workshop 2014

September 2014 - On September 6th, the 2014 Annual Summer Workshop of COAA SCC (Chinese-American Oceanic and Atmospheric Association Southern California Chapter) was held successfully at the beautiful campus of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, San Diego. This is the first COAA SCC event held at San Diego. More than 45 members and their families from various institutes in Southern California came together to enjoy this event by the beautiful La Jolla Beach. This year's theme is "the Passion of Young Scientists". A total of 17 presentations were made by graduate students and postdocs covering a wide variety of topics spanning from the clouds on Venus, fire in the forest, to the distribution of Albacore Tuna in the Pacific Ocean.

The vice-chair, Dr. Yu Gu (UCLA) announced the start of the event. Dr. Jonathan Jiang (JPL), Chair of COAA SCC, introduced the theme and agenda of the workshop, and greeted all the participants with a warm opening remark. During the luncheon, through her own stories, Dr. Hui Su (JPL) shared with the audience the challenges and attitude to overcome these challenges as a female scientist. Seventeen young scientists presented their work afterwards, which were appraised by a panel of six judges. The judges spoke highly about all the presentations. Four speakers were awarded as "the Best Presentation". They are (by alphabetical order): Cenlin He (UCLA), Jianghao Wang (USC), Peter Gao (Caltech) and Xi Xi (Caltech). For a full list of all the presentations, please visit <http://coaascc.wordpress.com>



All awardees and COAA SCC executive committees



COAA SCC Annual Summer Workshop, 2014

Dr. Jonathan Jiang presented the award certificates to the awardees and concluded the oral sessions of the workshop. Dr. Jiang, on behalf of COAA SCC, extended the warmest congratulations to Alice Zhai (La Canada High School), the youngest member of COAA SCC, for being a Laureate of Davidson Fellowship and publishing her hurricane study on Environmental Research Letters, and to Professor Yongkang Xue (UCLA), the founder of COAA SCC, for his recently funded \$2.15 million NSF project. A picnic dinner was later on held at the beach. All the participants enjoyed the food, lively conversations, and beautiful seaside sunset together, which marked the ending of this successful event. Local host Dr. Guang Zhang (COAA SCC regional director at UCSD) is acknowledged for the support of this event.

COAA SCC is a COAA local chapter that extends the collaboration effort and bridges the communications of Chinese scholars among different regions of the United States. Regional activities are welcome to report to COAA news (news@coaaweb.org). COAA local chapters are encouraged to initiate local CFC campaigns to seek support for activities in their chapters. Please contact a COAA board member for more details.

(News provided by Dr. Shuhui Wang; Photo credits to Dr. Yang Chen and Dr. Shuhui Wang)

COAA Announced the Honorary Fellows of 2014

Each year, COAA solicits two distinguished members to become the honorary fellows. We are pleased to announce that the 2014 honorary fellows: Prof. **Guoxiong Wu** (吴国雄) and Prof. **Peter Webster**.

Prof. Guoxiong Wu is a fellow and Life Tenure Professor of Chinese Academy of Science (CAS) and an honorary fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society (RMS). He holds a Ph.D. degree from London University. After graduation, Prof. Wu worked at ECMWF and GFDL at Princeton University. He returned to China in 1993 and soon became a leader of the State Key Laboratory of Numerical Modeling for Atmospheric Sciences and Geophysical Fluid Dynamics (LASG) of CAS. Due to his exceptional contribution to the in-depth understanding of the Tibetan Plateau on the onset of the Asian monsoon and the climate change, Prof. Wu is awarded the Tan Kah Kee Science Award (陈嘉庚科学奖) of 2014 in the Geoscience field. Prof. Wu is elected as COAA 2014 honorary fellow for his original contributions to the theory of the thermal impacts of the Tibetan Plateau on the Asian monsoon and for being an exemplary role model for Chinese American and Chinese in the atmospheric and oceanic field.

Prof. Peter Webster of Georgia Institute of Technology is a fellow of AGU, AMS and RMS. He currently serves as the president of Atmospheric Section of AGU. Prof. Webster holds a Ph.D. degree from MIT. He mentored many famous Chinese scholars that are contributing to the atmospheric and oceanic science community, including Dr. William Lau (NASA GSFC), Prof. Chidong Zhang (U. Miami) and Prof. Song Yang (Sun Yat-sen U.). Prof. Webster is elected as COAA 2014 honorary fellow for his extraordinary contributions to the theoretical and modeling knowledge of tropical atmosphere and ocean with an emphasis on Asian monsoon, and for his remarkable contribution to the mentorship of Chinese scholars.

The awards will be presented at the COAA AGU banquet on December 18, 2014.

COAA Members Elected as 2014 AGU and AMS Fellows

Prof. **Qiang Fu** (傅强) of Univ. of Washington and Prof. **Zhanqing Li** (李占清) of Univ. of Maryland at College Park are elected as AGU fellows of class 2014. The citation for Prof. Fu reads “*for pioneering contributions to atmospheric radiative transfer and its critical linkages to climate and climate change research*”. The citation for Prof. Li reads “*for outstanding achievement in remote sensing of radiation, cloud, aerosol, and precipitation properties and application to today’s climate problems*”. Besides them, Prof. **Shijie Zhong** of U. of Colorado Boulder (not a COAA member) is also elected as an AGU fellow.

Congratulations to the newly elected 2014 AMS fellows, who are also long-term COAA members: Prof. **Qingyun Duan** (段青云) of Beijing Normal Univ., Prof. **Fuqing Zhang** (张福清) of Penn State Univ., and Prof. **Renyi Zhang** (张人一) of Texas A&M Univ.

The new fellows will be announced in AGU and AMS annual meetings, and will be invited to attend COAA banquet upon availability.

COAA Members Received Prestigious AGU and AMS Awards

Prof. **Zhanqing Li** of Univ. of Maryland at College Park, the newly elected AGU fellow, is also the recipient of Yoram J. Kaufman award of 2014 *“to acknowledge his very prominent service to the atmospheric sciences during the career”*. This award is established to acknowledge one scholar per year *“for broad influence in atmospheric science through exceptional creativity, inspiration of younger scientists, mentoring, international collaborations, and unselfish cooperation in research”*.

The prestigious Cal-Gustaf Rossby Research Medal of AMS is awarded to Prof. **Bin Wang** of Univ. of Hawaii *“For creative insights leading to important advances in the understanding of tropical and monsoonal processes and their predictability”*.

Dr. **Yi Ming** of Princeton Univ. is this year’s AMS Henry G. Houghton Award recipient. The citation reads *“For major advances in the understanding and modeling of the role of atmospheric aerosols in the radiative forcing of regional and global climate”*.

Prof. **Gabriel (Ngar-Cheung) Lau** of Princeton Univ. is awarded the Bernhard Haurwitz Memorial Lecturer of AMS for *“pioneering work on atmospheric circulation systems, from oceanic storm tracks to atmospheric “bridges” connecting ocean anomalies in different basins, using observations and global models”*.

Besides, Prof. **Xuhui Lee** of Yale Univ. is the recipient of the Award for Outstanding Achievement in Biometeorology of AMS for *“masterfully combining theory and observations to gain new insights into the nature and consequences of biosphere-atmosphere interactions”*. Dr. **Zhujun Li** of Univ. of Miami is awarded the Peter V. Hobbs Student Prize of AMS for her paper *“on simulated trade-wind cumulus convection and cold pool”*.

Congratulations to these Chinese American scholars on receiving such prestigious prizes! The awards will be presented in AGU fall meeting in December 2014 and AMS annual meeting in January 2015.

In addition, Prof. Shuyi Chen of Univ. of Miami has been selected as Secretary of the AGU Atmospheric Science Session. COAA members support on the candidate is highly acknowledged.

(Material credits go to Prof. Zhanqing Li and Prof. Chidong Zhang)

COAA Spotlight: Prof. Bin Wang



Prof. Bin Wang (王斌) is currently a professor and the chair of Dept. of Meteorology at Univ. of Hawaii. He graduated in geophysical fluid dynamics major from Florida State Univ. in 1984 and had the postdoctoral training at GFDL at Princeton Univ. Prof. Wang is world-known for his seminal contributions to the scientific understanding of the dynamics and predictability of monsoon, ENSO, MJO and other tropical climate scenarios. Prof. Wang is an AGU and AMS fellow.

We are fortunate to share Prof. Wang's experience and insights with the COAA members, especially with young scientists in this field.

Q: How did you decide to study atmospheric/ocean science?

Wang: It's a natural path to me. At the beginning I liked ocean and physics and wanted to become a scientist, so I picked up physical oceanography as my undergraduate major at the Ocean Univ. of China (中国海洋大学) at my hometown Qing Dao. However, I was assigned to a tiny weather station after graduation. That is how I ended up with meteorology as my major.

Q: Which accomplishments are you most proud of in your professional life, including your group achievements?

Wang: I have been enjoyed working with my students, postdocs and collaborating scientists on the theoretical understanding of tropical climate and dynamics. We have put forward many theories to explain the tropical intra-seasonal, inter-annual and centennial variabilities. I'm very proud that these theories work and can enhance the predictability skills of these variabilities.

Q: Who influenced you the most in your professional life and why?

Wang: I owe a great deal to many outstanding scholars who have helped the development of my early career. Prof. B. Z. Zhu, my MS advisor, transformed me from a statistical meteorologist to a theoretical meteorologist. Prof. H. L. Kuo's summer lecture in 1979 had turned on my interest in atmospheric dynamics. I'm indebted to faculties in FSU and GFDL for valuable mentoring and discussions, who helped expand my research interests to every aspect of tropical meteorology and equatorial wave dynamics.

Q: What are your perspectives for future direction in our field?

Wang: Quantitative modeling and understanding of atmosphere-ocean-land-ice interaction under changing external forcings is a key area for the improvement of prediction of climate extremes and enhancement of sustainable responses to extreme events. Exploring the physical basis and predictability for decadal climate prediction and sub-seasonal prediction are among forefront challenges in climate science.

Q: What are your major advices to young scientists in our field?

Wang: I encourage young scientists to address the most important issues demanded by our society and work on the forefront science issues in our fields. Take more of their time to think deeply and innovatively rather than just making computations. Do not write papers if they are not excited about their results.

COAA Spotlight: Prof. Xubin Zeng



Prof. Xubin Zeng (曾旭斌) is a professor of Dept. of Atmospheric Sciences and the Founding Director of the Climate Dynamics and Hydrometeorology Center at the Univ. of Arizona (UA). He also co-founded the hydrometeorology M.S. and Ph.D. program, which is the first such kind of program in the U.S. Prof. Zeng holds a Ph.D. in Atmospheric Science from Colorado State Univ. His research interests expand across land-atmosphere-ocean interface processes, climate modeling, hydrometeorology, remote sensing and nonlinear dynamics. He is a fellow of AMS, and has held numerous leadership positions at national and international organizations and committees.

Prof. Xubin Zeng is running for the AMS president this year. COAA would like to broadcast his effort on enhancing the Chinese American role in the field, and to share his personal insights with the members as well.

Q: Why are you running for the AMS president? What do you plan to do if elected?

Zeng: My official statement and my personal information are available at the AMS election web site before the voting deadline of 4 November 2014 (<http://www2.ametsoc.org/ams/index.cfm/about-ams/ams-election-information/>). At a more personal level, I am grateful to AMS for my professional growth throughout the years, including the AMS Scholarship for me to attend the first Global Change Symposium in 1990 when I was still a Ph.D. student. What I can bring to the AMS presidency include: an intimate knowledge of the organization through my extensive services within AMS; an interdisciplinary perspective from my research with over 130 papers; a multi-agency and multi-society perspective from my extensive services in the national and international committees and panels; an educational perspective from my teaching experience with various graduate, undergraduate, and general education courses; and an international perspective from my extensive services in major international organizations, close interactions with international colleagues, and personal experience with residing in two different countries (U.S. and China) for more than two decades each.

Q: How did you decide to study atmospheric/ocean science?

Zeng: For my generation, math, physics, and chemistry were emphasized in the late 1970s and 1980s in China, and I love both physics and math. I was accepted into the Atmospheric Physics program of Nanjing University, and my passion for atmospheric science was developed through the undergraduate thesis research.

Q: Which accomplishments are you most proud of in your professional life, including your group achievements?

Zeng: The wide use of our research products in the world, including the implementation of model parameterizations and value-added global datasets over land and ocean in the NCEP and ECMWF operational models for weather forecasting, in the NCAR Community Earth System Model (CESM) for climate studies, in WRF for regional studies, and in other regional and global models.

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Q: What influenced you most in your professional life?

A: I am grateful to so many mentors at different stages of my career. In particular, Prof. Ming Zhao supervised my undergraduate thesis research at Nanjing University that led to two peer-reviewed papers. Not only did I learn the skills in observational data analysis and theoretical development, I also developed the passion for atmospheric science.

Q: What are your perspectives for future direction in our field?

Zeng: Besides traditional scientists in a particular subfield of atmospheric and oceanic sciences, we will need more scientists who can do interdisciplinary research (e.g., combining science with technology). We will also need more scientists who can work with social scientists to translate our results for societal benefits.

Q: What are your major advices to young scientists in our field?

Zeng: You have to be passionate about your research so that you are willing to spend long working hours usually required for making important progress. Besides your expertise in one area, it is better to develop interests in different areas to ensure a more stable support of your diverse research.

Q: What are your suggestions to COAA members on professional services?

Zeng: It is an honor to serve because the selection of candidates for most positions is very competitive, and because you learn as much from fellow committee members as you contribute. You also need to get prepared to become an effective and efficient committee member by having broad views, being unselfish, understanding the working mechanism of the committee, and seeking first to understand and then to be understood.

Career Resources

Postdoc position in climate sciences at San Diego State University - The Center for Climate and Sustainability Studies (C2S2) at San Diego State University (SDSU) seeks a Postdoctoral Fellow, to begin in the late fall of 2014, to work with a team to improve climate simulations by introducing stochastic processes and stochastic modeling. The tasks for this position include (i) to simulate high-resolution precipitation and precipitable water data using stochastic differential equation (SDE) models, (ii) introduce SDE formulation into climate models of different complexity, (iii) perform long-term climate simulations with advanced climate models and perform sensitivity analysis, and (vi) verify climate simulations with observations to study climate extremes and probabilistic distributions. Preferred candidates should have interdisciplinary knowledge of climate modeling, tropical weather simulations, high-end computing, and applied mathematics and statistics. This one-year position is renewable subject to job performance and funding availability. An applicant should email to Dennis Conte climatepostdoc.at.sandiego@gmail.com the following: CV, a complete publication list, names and contact information for at least three references, and a 2-page statement of research interests and proposal. The complete applications received before October 10, 2014 will receive full consideration. The position is open until being filled. Position is subject to the University's background check policy. San Diego State University is a Title IX, equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate against individuals on the basis

of race, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, marital status, age, disability or veteran status.

Regional climate modeling Assistant Professor position at San Diego State University - The Department of Geography at SDSU invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor in climate modeling. Candidates must have a PhD in Geography or a related field and demonstrated outstanding research potential in climate modeling, with interests that could include land-atmosphere interactions, dynamic and statistical downscaling, high-resolution modeling, regional drivers of climate variability and change, and/or impacts of climate change on water resources, ecosystems, hazards, human health or society. Demonstrated excellence in teaching and scholarship and commitment to funded research activity is required. The candidate will have an interest in teaching graduate and undergraduate courses in climatology, climate change, and climate modeling. The successful candidate will join and contribute to the interdisciplinary Area of Excellence: The SDSU Center for Climate and Sustainability Studies, will interact with recent hires in land surface modeling and climate mathematics, and will participate in the SDSU Master's programs and joint SDSU-UCSB PhD program in Geography. Anticipated start date for the position is Fall 2015. Applications should include i) letter of application describing research and teaching interests, ii) CV including publications, presentations, research summary, and past, current and pending funding, and iii) three letters of reference sent directly to the search committee email. Electronic submission of application materials and letters is encouraged and should be sent via email to climate_model_search@mail.sdsu.edu. Applications received by October 1, 2014 will receive full consideration. The position is expected to begin in August 2015, but will remain open until filled. SDSU is seeking applicants with demonstrated experience in and/or commitment to teaching and working effectively with individuals from diverse backgrounds and members of underrepresented groups.

Human-Environmental Dynamics Archaeology Assistant Professor position at San Diego State University - The Department of Anthropology at San Diego State University invites applications for a tenure-track position at the level of assistant professor in the archaeology of human-environmental dynamics beginning in Fall 2015. Candidates must have a Ph.D. in Anthropology or related field, a proven record of excellent publication, potential for securing external research funding, and expertise in environmental archaeology. Specialty interests may include GIS, paleoethnobotany, archaeometry, geoarchaeology, zooarchaeology, or other skills that complement existing departmental strengths. Regional focus is open. Excellent teaching at the graduate and undergraduate levels is necessary, including general anthropology courses as well as upper division courses in areas of expertise. Ability to teach quantitative data analysis is desirable. The successful candidate will join and contribute to the recently established interdisciplinary Area of Excellence: The SDSU Center for Climate and Sustainability Studies. Application review will begin on October 15, 2014 and the position will remain open until filled. To apply, email pdf versions of a letter of application describing research agenda and teaching interests, curriculum vitae, and names and addresses of three references to Todd Braje, anthfacsearch@mail.sdsu.edu. More information on SDSU's Department of Anthropology can be found at: <http://anthropology.sdsu.edu>. SDSU is a Title IX, equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, marital status, age, disability or veteran status. The person holding this position is considered a "mandated reporter" under the California Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

Research positions in Atmosphere-Biosphere Interactions at the Chinese University of Hong Kong - We are opening up one or more postdoctoral, senior and junior research assistant positions in the Tai Group for Atmosphere-Biosphere Interactions (www.cuhk.edu.hk/sci/essc/tgabi/) in the Earth System Science Programme under the Faculty of Science at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) to work on climate-chemistry-biosphere interactions. The positions are expected to start in early 2015, and the duration is initially one year, continuable upon discretion. For candidates with a Ph.D. degree, salary starts from HK\$20,000/m depending on qualification. We are particularly interested in candidates who can work on: (1) Impacts of ozone-vegetation interactions and biogeochemical feedbacks on air quality and climate using an integrated Earth system modeling framework; (2) related projects on atmosphere-biosphere interactions from a modeling perspective if demonstrated to be relevant to the group's research directions. Successful candidate is expected to work with the Community Earth System Model (CESM) and GEOS-Chem chemical transport model, and previous experience in these atmospheric models is preferable. To apply or for further info, please email and send along a cover letter and CV to Prof. Amos P. K. Tai [amostai@cuhk.edu.hk]. Recommendation letters will be requested upon discretion.

Scientific Programmer position in climate prediction at Innovim - Innovim is expected to fill a scientific Programmer position in the application of climate prediction to hydrology. The tasks include (1) development of methodologies for drought classification including running land surface models to obtain the estimates of soil moisture and streamflow, (2) to understand drought predictability and (3) to perform drought classification prediction in support of drought outlook operation. A primary goal is to transfer research results into the operational drought monitoring and forecasting at the Climate Prediction Center/NCEP/NWS/NOAA. Candidates with (1) demonstrated interests and/or background in translating science to an operational forecast environment and (2) demonstrated programming skill and data set management are encouraged to apply. The candidate should hold a MS or Ph.D in atmospheric sciences or hydrology with knowledge and/or experience in hydrologic applications of climate predictions, hydrologic forecast operations, or hydrologic or land surface modeling. Experience with NWS river forecasts and National Centers for Environmental Prediction's (NCEP) CFS and GFS forecasts would be a plus. Proficiency with UNIX/LINUX shell scripts and FORTRAN is mandatory. Other skills in GrADS and HTML, and oral and written communication skills are also required. The position is located at the National Center for Weather and Climate Prediction, 5830 University Research Court, College Park, MD. The successful candidate is expected to work very closely with atmospheric and hydrologic scientists at CPC. Prospected candidates should apply at the Careers at Innovim.com. The candidate must be an US Citizen, or Permanent Resident holding a working status, and be able to pass a NACI clearance.

For current job listing, visit the COAA website: <http://www.coaaweb.org/career.php>

COAA Solicits Applications for Best Dissertation Award 2014

COAA starts to accept applications for the 3rd Annual Best Dissertation Award. Through this award, we endeavor to support the research of tomorrow's leading Chinese scientists. The application deadline is **December 31, 2014**, and the awardee(s) will be announced at AMS annual meeting in January 2015.

Qualified candidate should own a recent Ph.D. degree in geoscience field from an accredited university in the U.S. or Canada. He/she should pass the thesis defense between October 1, 2013 and September 30, 2014 certified by the supervisor. Please email awards@coaaweb.org with the thesis (PDF format) and 1-page CV including education, experience, publication and honors. Two recommendation letters with one from the supervisor are highly recommended but not required. Applicants without a COAA membership need to register at the COAA website (<http://www.coaaweb.org/join.php>) first in order to be eligible for the solicitation. Check COAA news email announcement and COAA website for details and updates.

COAA Calls for Your Support of AMS Election

COAA would like to draw your attention to the Chinese American candidate running for the leadership position in current AMS election. Please cast your vote at your earliest convenience.

This year, we have Prof. Xubin Zeng of Univ. of Arizona running for AMS President-Elect. Any of your kind support to their endeavors is sincerely appreciated. Also, please encourage your colleagues and friends to support these candidates. We firmly believe that, if we work together and support each other, Chinese Americans will play more important roles in the oceanic and atmospheric areas. Please elect if you want to let your voice to be heard.

AMS, due date: Nov 4, 2014, 11:59 pm, Eastern

(http://www2.ametsoc.org/ams/index.cfm/about-ams/ams-election-information/?utm_source=EmailLink&utm_medium=Email&&utm_campaign=GoVote2014)

COAA 2014 AGU Banquet Announcement

COAA cordially invites you to attend the COAA AGU Fall Meeting Banquet. The dinner is intended to foster communication, friendship and networking among the fellow Chinese professionals and to celebrate those who are honored at AGU and COAA. To support member communication, COAA is pleased to subsidize part of the dinner cost. Details will be announced in October.

Time: 6-10 pm, December 18, 2014 (Thurs)

Location: 粤凯海鲜酒楼

(Canton Seafood and Dim Sum Restaurant, 655 Folsom St., San Francisco, CA 94107)

Cost: To be announced

Call for Contributions to COAA Newsletter

COAA is made possible by your support and contribution. We would like to invite and encourage you to send us any news or info that you would like to share with the COAA community. These info and news include but are not limited to:

- Awards (received by you or your colleagues);
- Nomination of COAA Spotlight candidates;
- Major achievements (by you, your colleagues, students, or staff);
- Workshops or conferences you or your organization will host;
- Important events or milestones of your lab/group/organization;
- Fun, educational, photogenic, or surprising photos (especially from the field);
- Local chapter news (interest, initiation, establishment, announcement and events report, etc.)

Please send your announcements to: news@coaaweb.org

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Donation receipts can be provided upon request if you may contact us directly after your donation. Every help from you, no matter big or small, will be sincerely appreciated!