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ONLINE ACCESS FOR JOURNAL OF MAMMALOGY AND MAMMALIAN SPECIES

Journal of Mammalogy and *Mammalian Species* are available online to all ASM members with back issues available via JSTOR. Members will also receive print copies of the Journal for an annual membership fee of $75 for regular members ($55 for students), or they may elect to receive online only versions of both publications for an annual fee of $55 ($20 for members in developing countries). Institutions may subscribe at a rate of $270 for print and online access to the Journal, $95 for online-only access to *Mammalian Species*, or $325 for both publications.

PDF files for the first 803 *Mammalian Species* accounts (1969 to 2006) are also available online via the URL below: http://www.science.smith.edu/departments/Biology/VHAYSSEN/msi/default.html.

MAMMALIAN SPECIES ACCOUNTS

Twenty-four to 30 accounts are planned for publication in 2009. Each account is 2–14 pages in length and reviews the biology of a particular species in a standard format.

Mammalian Species accounts are produced by assignment only. Upon written request to the Editor for *Mammalian Species*, exclusive privileges to produce an account will be granted for 3 years; a 1-year extension may be requested if a manuscript is near completion at the end of the initial assignment. At the Editor's discretion, assignments not submitted at the end of this period may be cancelled. A maximum of 5 species may be reserved at 1 time. No free copies are given to authors; page charges may be paid on a voluntary basis.

Mammalian Species is available online only to all ASM members, as of 2006; print copies will no longer be published. Orders for yearly sets of accounts within the past 5 years should be sent to Christy Classi, ASM Association Manager, 810 East 10th Street, P.O. Box 1897, Lawrence, KS 66044; 785–843–1235; FAX -1274; asm@allenpress.com. Individual accounts are no longer available for purchase. Requests for assignment of species and other editorial queries should be addressed to Meredith Hamilton, Editor of *Mammalian Species*, Department of Zoology, 430 Life Sciences West, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK 74078, 405–744–9685; FAX -7824; mjh@okstate.edu.

MAMMAL IMAGES LIBRARY

The Mammal Images Library is a non-profit educational service of the American Society of Mammalogists. The goal of the library is providing images of mammals for educational purposes worldwide. The present collection consists of >1,500 images depicting >800 species, 440 genera, 100 families, and 19 orders. More than 110,000 images are now in use at >3,000 institutions in about 50 countries. Images suitable for optical projection for nonprofit, educational purposes may be viewed and obtained on the Society's website at http://www.mammalogy.org/imagelibrary/index. Please remember to credit the photographer and the library if images are used for optical projection.

In addition to optical projection for nonprofit instruction, many of the images can be employed (with permission) for other purposes, including commercial uses. For permission to use images for purposes other than nonprofit optical projection, contact the committee chair: Ryan Rehmeier, Department of Biology & Environmental Science, Simpson College, 701 North C Street, Indianola, Iowa 50125; ryan.rehmeier@simpson.edu; 515–961–1823; FAX -1498.

The Library continually seeks new images for the collection and urges anyone having images to contribute them. For information about contributing images, contact the committee chair. The committee thanks the hundreds of people that have contributed images thus far.

In 1992, the Library instituted a program whereby grants in the form of images can be obtained by educational institutions in developing countries. About 40 grants to applicants from 20 countries have been awarded thus far. Institutions can select up to 50 images of their choice, and can reapply annually. Information about the program can be obtained from John O. Whitaker, Jr., Department of Life Sciences, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN 47809. The Mammal Images Library urges ASM members to assist this effort by supplying information to appropriate institutions.

SPONSOR FUND

The ASM Membership Committee has devised a method of providing membership in ASM to mammalogists from outside the United States and Canada who wish to become members, but simply cannot afford to. Some members already sponsor ASM membership for foreign mammalogists on a continual basis. However, others who are unable to provide a full membership on a continual basis, may wish to contribute a partial membership or a full membership during some years. Such is now possible through contributions to the Sponsor Fund. The Fund will be handled as follows:

a. From time-to-time, a form on which a member can state his or her name, address, and amount of donation to the Sponsor Fund will be printed in the back of the *Journal of Mammalogy* and on the reverse of the mailing label that accompanies the *Journal*.
b. When money in the Fund reaches any multiple of the current amount for annual dues, dues for a mammalogist in need of sponsorship will be paid. Contributions will be

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used directly to sponsor foreign members: the Fund will not be of the type from which only the interest is used to pay memberships.
c. Money in the Fund will be managed through the Secretary-Treasurer's office.
d. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be designated as the sponsor of record.
e. At the end of 3 years members of the Membership Committee will verify that sponsored individuals still need and want sponsorship. Sponsorship from the Fund could extend to a maximum of 5 years.

Members should submit names and mailing and e-mail addresses of foreign mammalogists in need of sponsorship to the chair of the Membership Committee: Michael R. Gannon, Department of Biology, Penn State University, 3000 Ivyside Park, Altoona, PA 16601–3760; 814–949–5210; mrg5@psu.edu.

MAILING AND ADDRESS CHANGES

Members and subscribers are advised that the *Journal of Mammalogy* is mailed in February, April, June, August, October, and December. Address changes MUST be in the hands of Christy Classi, ASM Association Manager, 810 East 10th Street, P.O. Box 1897, Lawrence, KS 66044; 785–843–1235; FAX -1274; asm@allenpress.com by the 1st day of the month of mailing. United States addresses must have zip codes. Address changes are expedited if former address, with zip code, is included.

BUDDY SYSTEM FOR AUTHORS

ASM has a ''buddy system'' to assist authors who are not native English speakers. ''Buddies'' are mammalogists who have offered to preview manuscripts that need editorial revision for English. Authors interested in having a manuscript previewed should contact the Journal Editor or an Associate Editor for *Journal of Mammalogy*. Individuals interested in having their names added to the list of ''buddies'' should contact Alicia Linzey (avlinzey@verizon.net).

2ND INTERNATIONAL BERLIN BAT MEETING: BAT BIOLOGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The 2nd International Berlin Bat Meeting will be held 19–21 February 2010 in Berlin, Germany, with a focus on exchange of ideas among international specialists working on emerging infectious diseases in bats and bat biology. We are especially insterested in crossing disciplinary boundaries and hope that the discussion among scientists from biology and veterinary and human medicine will advance the field substantially. Plenary talks and workshops will include ''Emerging Infectious disease in Bats,'' ''Bats and Rabies,'' ''Bat and Parasites,'' ''Bat Immunology and Immunogenetics,'' ''Bat Disease and Conservation,'' and ''Bat Disease and the Public.'' For more information e-mail 2ndBBM2010@izw-berlin.de or check www.izw-berlin.de. click on ''English'' and click on ''2nd Berlin Bat Meeting.''

CALL FOR PROPOSALS – NESCent POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS, SABBATICAL SCHOLARS, WORKING GROUPS, AND CATALYSIS GROUPS

The National Evolutionary Synthesis Center (NESCent) is now accepting proposals for postdoctoral fellows, sabbatical scholars, working groups and catalysis meetings. Proposals for postdoctoral fellowships are accepted at the December 1 deadline only. Proposals for sabbatical scholars, working groups and catalysis meetings are accepted twice a year, with June 15 and December 1 deadlines. Proposals for short-term visitors are considered four times a year, with deadlines on January 1, April 1, July 1, and September 1. For more information, please see our website at https://www.nescent.org/science/proposals.php.

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TRANSLATIONS of Czech, German, Russian, and Slovak original texts. Have them done by a fellow mammalogist! Dr. Emil Kucera, 74 Deer Lodge Place, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada R3J 2B8, (204) 885–4071; www.kucera.mb.ca.

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