

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PTERIDOLOGICAL SECTION

At the Botany 2001 Meeting in Albuquerque, NM, the Pteridological Section of BSA cosponsored with the American Fern Society a symposium entitled, "Evolution and adaptations of pteridophytes in dry climates", in which 7 papers were presented. In addition, 19 contributed papers and 3 posters were presented.

The Edgar T. Wherry Award for best paper presented was given to Sabine Hennequin and Jean-Yves Dubuisson for their paper entitled, "Systematics of the fern genus *Hymenophyllum* s.l. (Hymenophyllaceae) inferred from *rbcL* and *rps4* nucleotide sequences and morphology."

The Pteridological Section contributed \$400 to the publication of *The Annual Review of Pteridological Research*, Volume 14, 2000.

The Pteridological Section held elections over email for a new Chair and a new Secretary-Treasurer. One willing candidate was found for each, the results were:

Chair: Dr. Warren Hauk, Denison University of Granville, Ohio. 12 votes in favor

Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Karen Renzaglia, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois: 14 votes in favor.

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