

2007 Annual Report BSA Systematics Section

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At the Botany 2006 meeting in Chico, California, Kathleen A. Kron was elected as chair of the section and Patrick S. Herendeen was elected as secretary-treasurer at the Systematics Section business meeting, which is held jointly with the business meeting for the American Society of Plant Taxonomists.

During fiscal year 2007 the BSA Systematics Section supported three symposia with funds and sponsored eight symposia and colloquia without funds for the Botany 2007 conference.

Financial Support of three symposia. The Systematics section supported three symposia for the Botany 2007 conference:

- 1) \$500 for “Comparative Genomics, Development, Physiology and Systematics of the Brassicaceae and Cleomaceae” Organizers: Jocelyn Hall and M. Eric Schranz
- 2) \$500 for “Ranunculales – a basal eudicot perspective of angiosperm evolution” Organizer: Stefan Gleissberg
- 3) \$500 for “Borrowed Chloroplasts: Secondary Endosymbiosis and the Chromalveolates” Organizers: Naomi Phillips, Debashish Bhattacharya, and Ed Braun

Sponsorship (without financial support) of seven symposia and colloquia. The Systematics section sponsored eight symposia and colloquia for the Botany 2007 conference:

- 1) “Deep Time: integrating paleobotany and phylogenetics” Organizers: Pamela S. Soltis and Douglas E. Soltis
- 2) “Evolution in a Glaciated Landscape: Contribution of Endemism to Great Lakes Biodiversity” Organizers: : J. A. Peirson and Anton A. Reznicek
- 3) “A Historical Perspective on Chicago Area Botany” Organizer: Lee B. Kass
- 4) “Colloquium: Integration of Spatial and Ecological Data in Evolutionary Studies” Organizer: Lena Struwe
- 5) “Sherwin Carlquist Symposium” Organizer: S. Y. Smith and Witt Taylor [funding provided by ASPT]
- 6) “Plant phylogenomics: defining synergies between plant systematics and genome biology” Organizers: J. Chris Pires and James H. Leebens-Mack [funding provided by ASPT]
- 7) “Colloquium: Evolution and diversification in the Sapindales” Organizers: Allison Miller and Susan K. Pell

Respectfully submitted,
Patrick S. Herendeen