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**From the President**

Season’s Greetings!

I hope the holiday season finds you and yours in good spirits and good health!

The year 2020 has been designated the International Year of Plant Health (IYPH) through resolution A/RES/73/252 of the United Nations General Assembly. The purpose of this observance is to raise public awareness of the importance of plant health on a global scale, from its impact on food security to environmental protection to economic development considerations. More information can be found at [http://www.fao.org/plant-health-2020/en/](http://www.fao.org/plant-health-2020/en/). The contributions of nematologists to plant health should be part of this narrative. For those members involved in plant protection research, I encourage you to visit the website for suggestions about how to raise public awareness of the need for healthy plants.

It is only fitting that the 7th International Congress of Nematolo-
The International Nematology Congress (ICN 2020) will be held during the International Year of Plant Health. The Society of Nematologists will meet with other nematological societies from around the world in Antibes Jean-les Pins, France. The conference dates are May 3 to 8, 2020. Abstracts for this meeting are due on January 15, 2020. Conference registration is open, and early-bird discounts are in effect through January 15, 2020. Please visit the conference website at https://www.icn2020antibes.com/ for additional details.

Next year, the Journal of Nematology will be implementing page charges. These charges are necessary to offset some of the cost associated with keeping the journal open access, ensuring that our papers are freely accessible to the widest audience possible. A fee will be assessed for papers submitted on or after January 1, 2020 when they are accepted for publication. Current SON members in good standing will qualify for a discount. More details on these changes will be forthcoming from David Shapiro-Ilan, Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Nematology.

If you have not yet renewed your SON membership for 2020, now is the time! Visit the SON web page to renew online, or to download an invoice to mail in if you are unable or unwilling to use the online system. The annual membership fee is just $60 for regular members, $30 for students, and $500 for Sustaining Associates. These dues help support Society operations, from maintenance of our website to business office operations to publishing the Journal of Nematology. As we will not have income from our annual meeting in 2020, prompt payment of dues is encouraged and appreciated! I’d like to remind those regular members who recently retired or are planning on retiring soon that we do have an Emeritus Member category that does not require payment of annual dues. If you are interested in an Emeritus membership, please contact any of the Officers, as approval by the Executive Board is required.

Holiday Cheer and Happy New Year!

Salliana Stetina
The nematologists in Canada would like to inform you with great sadness that Dr. Frank Marks passed away on February 25, 2019 at the age of 81. Frank was born in Codroy, Newfoundland and went to MacDonald College at McGill in 1958, where he received his Masters degree in 1963 from University of Guelph. He joined the nematology team of Vineland Research Station, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Vineland with the late John Townshend and Drs. John Potter, Theo Olthof, and Wade Johnson in 1964 after meeting with the late Dr. Bill Mountain, then the director of the Station. Shortly after, Frank was sent to the University of California, Riverside pursuing his PhD with the late Dr. Ivan J. Thomson. Frank concentrated on crop resistance to nematodes and nematode management, especially on chemical control. Upon returning to Vineland in 1967, Frank’s research programs focused on nematode management and chemical controls. In 1976, he became director of Delhi Research Station, AAFC until 1981 when he accepted the director position of Harrow Research Station. From 1990 until his retirement in 2000 he was the director of London Research Station.

As a nematologist, he authored and co-authored 50 scientific papers, mostly related to chemical control of root lesion nematodes *Pratylenchus penetrans* on various crops in Ontario. His research significantly benefited farmers for controlling nematode diseases.

As director, Frank played an outstanding role in the management of the AAFC Research Centers in South Western Ontario. At one time or another, he was responsible for the management of all the AAFC Research Centers south of Toronto. His leadership and collaboration with the province of Ontario, the universities, and industry, helped structure a high-quality research program relevant to the growers and producers of Ontario. One of his major contributions was the establishment of the London Research Center as we know it today. Under his governance, the London Research Center, in 1993, assumed the administration of the Vineland Research Station and the Delhi Research Farm, which Frank was responsible for from 1998 to 2000 for the Branch’s new food research program located at Guelph University. With Frank, the London Research Center became known for research in insect and disease management, genomics and biotechnology, and environmental risk mitigation. Frank built strong links with national programs and collaborators across Canada and internationally.
Frank is survived by his beloved wife Helen, daughters Lori and Wendy, and grandchildren Sam, Rhys and Ben. Frank loved his research in nematology and all that worked with him. He is remembered by his peers and industry as an effective manager who played a large role in enabling the success of many of those who had the privilege of working with him. Frank was well respected by his peers and co-workers. He was a mentor to many and is remembered for his quick wit, sense of humor and love for science.

Information compiled by Dr. Qing Yu, et al.

UK Hemp Conference
SON Members attend 1st annual Hemp conference in Lexington, Kentucky


College of Agriculture, Food and Environment
Community and Leadership Development
Introducing Kanan Kutsuwa

I am currently a PhD candidate in the Department of Plant Pathology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison under the supervision of Dr. Ann E MacGuidwin. I received my M.S. in Plant Nematology at the University of Florida, advised by Dr. Donald W. Dickson. My research interests focus on plant-parasitic nematodes, its biology and modeling damage functions on economic crops. I am also interested in education and extension for growers. I am graduating this December and start my appointment this April as a Japan Society for the Promotion of Science oversea research fellow under supervision of Dr. Daniel Coyne at the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture in Nairobi, Kenya.

I immediately fell in love with nematodes, when I first saw root-knot nematodes embedded in roots in plant nematology lab in my junior year of college. After that, I persuaded my undergrad advisor and decided to intern at the UF with Dr. Dickson to learn more about nematology, which changed my life, and now here I am, a PhD student at UW-Madison. I am still surprised and amused by how beautiful nematodes are sometimes, and looking forward to spending my entire life to know more about them!
Bayer Representatives Visit With Hawaii Nematologists

Bayer CropScience representatives, Jose Alfonso Cabrera (second from right) and Casey Butler (right), visited University of Hawaii (UH) Nematologists - Koon-Hui Wang, Brent Sipes, Zhiqiang Cheng, Roxana Myers and Philip Waisen. They talked about the use of Velum® One to control plant-parasitic nematodes (root-knot, reniform and foliar nematodes) on tropical crops such as anthurium, coffee, sweet potato, squash, tomato and other ornamental crops.
Regional Project S-1066 met on Nov. 7-8, 2019 in Little Rock, Arkansas hosted by Travis Faske.

Front row: Tri Vuong, Adrienne Gorny, Cecilia Monclova-Santana, Kathy Lawrence, Jon Eisenback,

Middle row: Rick Davis, Jessica Day, Will Rutter, Bisho Lawaju, David Dyer, Travis Faske. Back row:

David Moreira, Ron Lacewell, John Damicone, Zane Grabau, Johan Desaeger, Robert Robbins, and

Paula Agudelo.
(R) Grog tour continued! (L-R) Billy and Lorall Crow, Bonnie and Jim LaMondia, Koon-Hui Wang, Deb Neher (again!).
(L) Noble leader Koon-Hui Wang planned and led a great scientific meeting and agricultural tours.  
(R) NE-1640 Multistate Project members, spouses and friends, at dinner at Jade Dynasty. (Clockwise from left) Andreas Westphal, Deb Neher, Jim and Bonnie LaMondia, Stephanie and Ernie Bernard, George Bird, Nathaniel Mitkowski, Brent Sipes, Lorall and Billy Crow, Koon-Hui Wang, Jim Kotcon, Candice Elliott. Standing, Philip Waisen.
(L) High-fashion hairnets for NE-1640 at the Dole pineapple packing facility, Oahu. (Top) Candice Elliott, Jim Kotcon, Nathaniel Mitkowski, Dole Manager Kyle Barber, Billy Crow, Andreas Westphal, Deb Neher, Brent Sipes, Koon-Hui Wang, Ernie Bernard, Jim LaMondia, Marisol Quintanilla. (LL) Three dudes in hairnets (why?): Billy Crow, Jim LaMondia, Ernie Bernard. (LR) Best pineapple in the world: Billy Crow enjoys fresh pineapple cut from the plant five minutes earlier.
Under the banyan tree at the NE-1640 Multistate Project meeting, University of Hawaii at Manoa, October 17-18, 2019. (L-R) Marisol Quintanilla, Jim LaMondia, Nathaniel Mitkowski, Ernie Bernard, Andreas Westphal, Jim Kotcon, Billy Crow, Brent Sipes, Koon-Hui Wang.
ICN 2020 Conference

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Organizing committee, it is our pleasure to invite you to Antibes Juan-les-Pins in May 2020 for the 7th International Congress of Nematology (ICN).

The ICNs have been hosted in cities around the world every six years since 1984. The 7th ICN is being organized by the European Society of Nematology (ESN) under the auspices of the International Federation of Nematology Societies (IFNS) in Antibes Juan-les-Pins, one of the most mythical seaside resorts of the French Riviera, dating to the ‘Belle Epoque’ period of the 1920s.

The Congress will run from May 3 to 8, 2020 with the theme of "Crossing borders: a world of nematode diversity and impact to discover", a timely subject as we reconcile the importance of agricultural production with that of environmental conservation.

Over the five days of the Congress, we will have an academic program that includes 12 plenary lectures and 32 parallel sessions covering a variety of topics including biodiversity, biology, ecology, genetics, epidemiology, management, biocontrol, regulatory/quarantine, phylogeny and taxonomy. Poster sessions will provide further opportunities for discussing results and ideas. Significant support for students and participants from middle and low-income countries will be available to assist them in attending the conference.

More than a conference, the ICN 2020 will be an experience, a celebration of the best of nematology and the gathering of our global community. As you might expect when visiting France, this spirit of celebration will extend to a vibrant social program. We have scheduled a free day of activities to allow attendees to visit France and the French Riviera... unforgettable experiences.

Our sponsors are an integral part in the success of the conference, without whom none of this would be possible.

We look forward to meeting you in Antibes Juan-les-Pins in 2020.

Dr. Pierre Abad
Chair 7th ICN - May 2020
In December 2018, the United Nations General Assembly declared 2020 as the International Year of Plant Health (IYPH). The year is a once in a lifetime opportunity to raise global awareness on how protecting plant health can help end hunger, reduce poverty, protect the environment, and boost economic development.

Check out these upcoming events:

**International Plant Health Conference “Protecting Plant Health in a changing world”**
Paasitorni Conference Centre, Helsinki, Finland
05 Oct 2020 - 08 Oct 2020

**15th Session of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (Ministerial-level)**
Rome, Italy 30 Mar 2020 - 03 Apr 2020

**[Tentative] Opening of International Year of Plant Health (including launch of the photo contest)**
Rome, Italy 02 Dec 2019 - 02 Dec 2019

https://www.ippc.int/en/iyph/
Plant Health 2020

Plant Health Research Awards for Poster Presentations at the U.S. Congressional Reception Celebrating International Year of Plant Health

March 3, 2020

The year 2020 has been designated as the International Year of Plant Health by the United Nations General Assembly. This special designation provides an important opportunity for professional societies, agricultural organizations, and other entities to raise global and national awareness of Plant Health. Addressing a breadth of Plant Health issues - ranging from soil health to crop genetics, disease management, social and economic impact studies, and technologies to improve production - is vital to ending hunger, reducing poverty, protecting the environment, and boosting economic development.

To commemorate this special year, the American Phytopathological Society Public Policy Board will host a Congressional Reception at the U.S. Botanical Gardens in Washington, D.C. on March 3, 2020. This event will offer a unique opportunity for policy makers and plant health stakeholders to discuss critical plant health issues.

At this reception, we would like to showcase 5 high-quality poster presentations on diverse and impactful research projects in the broad area of plant health.

These posters will serve to promote science and provide informative conversation starters for the members of Congress, staffers, and others that will be in attendance; hence, presenters should be effective communicators.

Application Details:

- To be considered to present a poster, please submit a non-technical abstract of your research (no more than 250 words) and a current CV or resume (maximum 2 pages).
- Abstracts and CVs must be submitted by December 16, 2019 in a single Word document by email to gallagher@eversoleassociates.com
- A number of finalists will be pre-selected and asked to submit a short 3-minute video of the presenter summarizing their research (i.e. "elevator pitch"). This will help evaluate how the applicant will communicate with the target audience.

Eligibility and Evaluation Criteria:

- Selection will consider diversity among the presenters as well as among the presented research topics. We invite applications from scientists of all career stages; early career scientists, including graduate students and post-docs, are highly encouraged to apply.
- Scientific findings should be translated for a diverse, non-scientific audience of U.S. elected officials and their staff members. Communication of ideas in a relatable, broadly understandable way that clearly identifies the potential impact to plant health is critical.

- We would like to have projects that represent the spectrum of Plant Health issues – from soil health to crop genetics, disease management, social and economic impact studies, and technologies to improve production, etc.

- This is an open competition; no slots are reserved for specific topics or society members.

**Award:**

- Awardees will receive $500 to support their travel to Washington, D.C.

- Awardees will be offered the opportunity to join in Public Policy Board activities including a Brunch-n-Learn for congressional staffers and visits to Congressional offices on March 3, 2020.

- Awardees will work with the Awards Committee to develop a poster that communicates their work clearly and highlights the potential plant health impacts.
**SON Membership**

Dear members and prospective members of the Society of Nematologists:

Membership renewals are now being accepted for 2020. Please take a moment to renew at: https://nematologists.org/

- If you were a member in 2019, select the 'My Account' tab and log in to renew by credit card
- Prospective new members can join by selecting the 'Membership' tab and Become a Member by clicking on the Purchase A Membership button where you will be prompted to create an account
- If you prefer to renew by check, please complete the attached invoice (Member name text box fillable using MS Word) and mail along with your check to the address on the form

If you prefer to pay by Electronic Funds Transfer, please contact me for further instructions (jackibeacham@gmail.com). As a reminder, SON memberships run on a calendar basis (Jan 1 – Dec 31), so even if you renewed around the time of the annual meeting this year your membership will expire on December 31st.

If you have recently renewed your membership, please disregard. Thank you!
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(Restored by J. D. Eisenback, 2019.)
Job Opportunity in Nyssa, Oregon

Agricultural Research Technician

The Amalgamated Sugar Company LLC – Nyssa, Oregon

The Amalgamated Sugar Company LLC is seeking an Agricultural Research Technician reporting to the Manager of Plant Health to establish, grow, harvest and analyze nematology, plant pathology, entomology and other agronomy related trials and research projects. Conduct studies regarding sugar beet cyst nematodes and other nematodes affecting sugar beets including but not limited to setting up, supervise the operation and maintenance of the plant pathology laboratory and the greenhouse/insectary at the Nyssa facility in Oregon. Participate with the Sugarbeet Quality Improvement Department (SBQI) team to achieve team objectives. The Amalgamated Sugar Company LLC is built on innovation and is a proud leader in the sugar industry that can only happen with the best people. Qualified candidates need to be dynamic and need to be able to work successfully in a fast paced, fluid environment.

Responsibilities:

- Conduct sugar beet cyst nematode and other nematode variety screens in the greenhouse and the field.
- Prepare, quantify and qualify nematodes as inoculum for greenhouse trials.
- Evaluate and analyze all nematode related studies.
- Sample fields, analyze soil samples and identify nematode species (morphologically and molecular).
- Identify research needs and present research ideas.
- Work independently.
- Organize & execute all plant pathology, entomology and agronomy related trials and research projects.
- Perform and oversee experimental design, plot layout, planting and all cultural practices.
- Assist the Manager of Plant Health in collecting, organizing and analyzing relevant data.
- Prepare reports/information for publication.
- Prepare and distribute educational and research results to sugar beet growers and agricultural staff.
- Supports SBQI researchers regarding statistical questions and helps with data analysis.
- Supervise the day to day operation and maintenance of the plant pathology laboratory at Nyssa, OR.
- Prepare and maintain fungal inoculum.
- Perform basic molecular and microbiological tasks.
- Maintain a safe & productive working environment & assure that all personnel are properly trained.
- Supervise the day to day operation and mainte-
nance of the greenhouse at Nyssa, OR.
- Maintain beet leaf hopper insectary, provide supply of feeder plants, increase hopper population.
- Perform and oversee other research projects in the greenhouse.

Qualifications:

- Completion of Master's degree with emphasis in nematology is required;
- Experience in general plant pathology and/or entomology, strong applied agricultural statistics desired;
- Minimum 1-3 years of work-related experience in field and laboratory research;
- OR equivalent combination of experience & training with required knowledge, skills & abilities.
- Above average written & oral English skills with ability to articulate clearly & concisely

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to Human Resources at the following email: recruit@amalsugar.com

Open until position is filled.

Job Opportunity UC Riverside
UC Riverside looking for a tenure track Assistant Professor - Plant Nematology

Recruitment Period
Open October 2nd, 2019 through Tuesday, Jun 30, 2020 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Description

Position Description:

The University of California, Riverside invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Plant Nematology to begin July 1, 2020. The position is a 9-month appointment in the Department of Nematology in the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences. Appointment level and salary are commensurate with experience. The successful candidate is expected to establish an internationally recognized, externally funded research program, focused on plant-nematode interactions and plant resistance to nematodes using modern experimental approach.
es including genetics, functional genomics and metabolomics. The appointee is expected to teach undergraduate and graduate courses, mentor graduate and undergraduate students, participate in campus service and outreach relevant to the California Agricultural Experiment Station [https://cnas.ucr.edu/resources/agricultural-experiment-station](https://cnas.ucr.edu/resources/agricultural-experiment-station).

The Department of Nematology:

The Department of Nematology is committed to a broad-based mission in nematology research, teaching, and outreach including strengths in ecology, agriculture, pest and disease science, parasitology, and health science. Faculty and their graduate students are highly collaborative with campus programs including Entomology, Evolution, Ecology, & Organismal Biology, Genetics, Genomics, & Bioinformatics, Microbiology, Plant Biology, Plant Pathology, and Biomedical Sciences.

Qualifications:

A PhD in plant pathology, entomology, nematology, plant biology or a closely-related field is required and postdoctoral training is preferred. Expertise in plant-nematode or plant-pathogen/pest interactions is desirable.

Applications:

Candidates must apply through [https://aprecruit.ucr.edu/apply/JPF01187](https://aprecruit.ucr.edu/apply/JPF01187) and include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and separate statements of research and teaching interests. A statement addressing the candidate’s past and potential future contributions to promote academic diversity must be included. In addition, applicants should request three letters of recommendation be submitted through this site. For full consideration, applicants are encouraged to submit their applications by November 27, 2019, but the position will remain open until filled.

Additional information about the Department is available at: [https://nematology.ucr.edu/](https://nematology.ucr.edu/). For questions about this position, please contact Dr. Adler Dillman, Chair of the Search Committee, Department of Nematology, at adlerd@ucr.edu. For questions on application procedure and requirements, please contact Mary Stuart, Academic Personnel, at mary.stuart@ucr.edu.

Advancement through the faculty ranks at the University of California is through a series of structured, merit-based evaluations, occurring every 2-3 years, each of which includes substantial peer input.

UCR is a world-class research university with an exceptionally diverse undergraduate student body. Its mission is explicitly linked to providing routes to educational success for underrepresented and first-generation college students. A commitment to this mission is a preferred qualification.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/ Affirmative Action Employer with a strong institutional commitment to the achievement of excellence and diversity among its faculty and staff. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

Members of underrepresented groups are particularly encouraged to apply. [https://hr.ucr.edu/equal-employ-](https://hr.ucr.edu/equal-employ-)

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Requirements

Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter
- Statement of Research
- Statement of Teaching
- Statement of Past and/or Planned Future Contributions to Advancing Diversity and Inclusive Excellence
  - In a “Statement of Contributions to Diversity,” we ask applicants to describe their past and potential future contributions to promoting a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment, which is a key requirement of the role of every academic member at UCR. There are numerous ways to contribute, and a commitment to this part of our mission can be reflected through research, teaching, supervision, mentoring, community engagement, service, and any of the other varied activities that are a part of an academic career.
- Misc / Additional (Optional)

Reference requirements

- 3-5 letters of reference required

Post-Doc at the University of Arizona

DR. S. PATRICIA STOCK LAB

Dear SON Members:

I currently have an open search for a Postdoctoral Position in my laboratory with a focus on bacteria-nematode-insect interactions. The successful candidate will be expected to develop and conduct research in relation to stress physiology in entomopathogenic nematodes and fitness costs related to symbiont carriage. Candidate will also be expected to assist with the supervision and mentoring of undergraduate students.

The Postdoctoral Associate may also have the opportunity to develop a side project in his/her area of interest, provided it fits within the general scope of the lab’s interests. This is a one-year appointment with the possibility of two additional year(s) contingent upon satisfactory performance and availability of funding.

Duties & Responsibilities

Develop and conduct research in relation to symbiont fitness costs in entomopathogenic nematodes, with focus on nematode stress and metabolic functions.

- Perform wet lab analyses (PCR, qPCR, ELISAs, Western Blots, microbiology techniques,
• Nematode rearing

• Assist with supervision and mentoring of undergraduate students

• Design experiments and develop new hypotheses

• Draw conclusions and or make predictions based on data

• Write research reports and manuscripts, prepare materials for submission to external bodies

• Including federal and non-federal granting agencies

• Engage with fellow lab members to foster a collaborative and enjoyable work environment

Knowledge, Skills, & Abilities

• Knowledge on microbiology, omics, genetics (forward and reverse)

• Excellent communication and writing skills.

Minimum Qualifications

• Ph.D. in any Biological Science or related field

• Prior experience performing scientific data collection and experiments, compiling data and writing project summaries.

Preferred Qualifications

• Research experience in nematology, microbiology and/or entomology

• Knowledge on forward and reverse genetics and omics

• Experience on bioinformation

https://uacareers.com/postings/42433
Upcoming Conferences & Meetings

**15th Session of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (Ministerial-level)**  
Rome, Italy 30 Mar 2020 - 03 Apr 2020  
https://www.ippc.int/fr/iyp/chronology/15th-commission-on-phytosanitary-measures-ministerial-level-including-awards-for-the-photo-contest/

May 3-8, 2020. 7th International Conference of Nematology, Antibes, France  

**International Plant Health Conference**  
“Protecting Plant Health in a changing world”  
Paasitorni Conference Centre, Helsinki, Finland 05 Oct 2020 - 08 Oct 2020  
https://www.ippc.int/en/iyp/chronology/international-conference-on-plant-health/

Call for Nematode Trading Cards
If you would like to highlight your work or recognize someone, please consider submitting an image of your favorite nematode, plant pathogen or nematologist to Dr. Jon Eisenback (Jon@vt.edu).
Nematode Trading Cards
Guinea worm, Lesion nematode and highlighting Dr. Frank Lamson-Scribner (Tennessee)
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N. A Cobb Foundation

Since we know that students are the future of our discipline, please consider supporting the Nathan A. Cobb Nematology Foundation: https://nematologists.org/products/donation-na-cobb/. This foundation’s primary purpose is to raise money to provide travel for students to scientific meetings. Please consider making tax-deductible contribution to the Nathan A. Cobb Nematology at http://nematologists.org/products/.

If you would like to be highlighted in the SON Newsletter, or if you have an interesting submission, announcement, or would like something featured such as a new book you contributed to or recommend, please email me at gphilli9@utk.edu. Also, Dr. Jon Eisenback donates a lot of his time to making nematode trading cards for SON. Please consider submitting your favorite SEM, TEM, or bright field images and a brief description of your organism to Jon@vt.edu. Your contributions and submissions will help considerably to the future education of those interested in nematology.

On behalf of the Society of Nematologists, we would like to express our continued gratitude and support that we receive from our friends, colleagues and industries.

Gary Phillips, Editor (with continued help from Dr. Jon Eisenback and Steve Chastain). Steve Chastain is from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, Office of Information and Technology and consistently guides me in the production of the newsletter through sharing his knowledge of Adobe InDesign (the software that we use to produce the Newsletter). Steve is a technology genius who donates much of his time in fixing everything that I have managed to make a mess of in InDesign. Without Steve and Dr. Eisenback, the newsletter would not be possible.