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Dear members,

We now have completed the election for AES Chair for the 2008-2010 term and I am pleased to announce that Dr. Yude Pan has been elected. Dr. Pan will assume duty effective Oct. 1. I thank Both Drs. Ben Gu and Pan for their willingness to volunteer the service and others who show their support. Our 2006-08 team will work with Dr. Pan to make a smooth transaction.

Qinfeng Guo, Chair

News:

*** AES members helped the successful launch and publishing the newly established international journal, Journal of Plant Ecology:**

More than 10 AES members helped the successful launch and publishing the newly established international journal, Journal of Plant Ecology, as one of the Oxford journals in 2008. "Journal of Plant Ecology (JPE) is a quarterly peer-reviewed journal that allows ecologists to present research findings and discuss challenging issues in the broad field of plants and their interactions with biotic and abiotic environment. JPE will publish original research articles, reviews and short communications, and include special issues/features focusing on the frontiers in plant ecology."

Detailed information about the journal can be found at:

["http://jpe.oxfordjournals.org/"](http://jpe.oxfordjournals.org/)

*** highlight the publication of the following books:**

Richard B. Harris. 2008. Wildlife Conservation in China: Preserving the Habitat of China's Wild West. M. E. Sharpe Publishers.

Andrew T. Smith and Yan Xie, editors. 2008. A Guide to the Mammals of China. Princeton University Press.

<http://press.princeton.edu/titles/8631.html> (Available on Amazon.com for a discount)

* Dr. Ge Sun, with the U.S. Forest, was recently elected president of Sino-Ecologists Association Overseas (Sino-Eco) for its 2008-2010 term. Sun will assume presidential responsibilities May 1, 2008. See more details in following link:

<http://admin.forestthreats.org/news-events/news-releases/4-15-08>

Announcements:

* **Landscape Ecology Conference Bi-Annual Meeting of the Landscape Ecology Working Party Sept. 16-21, 2008
Chengdu, China**

* **The Society for Conservation Biology (SCB) annual meeting, Beijing, 2009**

The 2009 SCB Annual Meeting will be held in Beijing, China, 11-16 July 2009. The Institute of Zoology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, will be the primary local host. In a recent meeting with SCB's policy director, John Fitzgerald, Dr. Peter Raven (Director of the Missouri Botanic Garden) suggested that SCB increase its profile in Asia and India in particular. For more information, please visit:
<http://www.conbio.org/Activities/Meetings/annual.cfm>

* AES will hold a mixer at this year's ESA meeting. Time and location are provided below.



Time: Tuesday, August 5, 2008: 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

Location: 102 A, Midwest Airlines Center

What: ESA Asian Ecology Mixer

Subscribe AES ESA

The current AES committee would like to invite ESA members who interest, involve, and/or conduct research in Asia to subscribe AES when you renew your 2008 ESA membership. Currently we have 88 members from Asia, Europe and North America.

Myanmar Cyclone

On May 2, 2008, Cyclone Nargis swept across southern Myanmar, with high winds, heavy rain and flood water claiming thousands of lives and damaging hundreds of thousands of homes.

This is the worst storm to hit Asia since 1991 when 143,000 people died Bangladesh, and the worst to hit Myanmar since 1926 when 2,700 people were killed.

The cyclone impacted more than 2.4 million people, many of whom still need assistance, including shelter, food, clean water and protection against disease.

You can help the victims of the Myanmar Cyclone by making a financial gift to the American Red Cross International Response Fund. Please do so at the time of your donation by either contacting 1-800-HELP or mailing your donation with the designation to the American Red Cross, P.O. Box 37243, Washington, D.C. 20013. Internet users can make a secure online contribution by visiting www.redcross.org.



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http://www.redcross.org/news/infoprofiles/intl_profile_ChinaEarthquake.asp?s_src=HomeLatestNews

- Official Death Toll Soars to 40,000
- Death Toll Could Hit 50,000
- More Than 10 Million People Affected in All

