ASP Update – October 2006

News:

**ASP Retreat: November 10th at the Boulder Broker Inn**

The ASP Retreat will be on Friday the 10th of November at the Boulder Broker Inn. All ASP Postdocs and Gradfellows are expected to attend. All other postdocs and gradfellows are invited to join us for lunch and for the afternoon session. More details about this retreat will follow. Please RSVP to Kathleen Barney at leeney@ucar.edu. We welcome your input as we develop the agenda. Contact Maura (hagan@ucar.edu) or Paula (paulad@ucar.edu) with suggestions for discussion topics.

**Research Reviews and October Social**

Research Reviews will begin again on October 12th with a new day and time: Thursdays at 10:00 am. The first Research Review will be given by Maura Hagan, and it will only be at the FL location in the EOL Atrium (no videocon locations). This will also be the October Social, which means that we’ll have coffee and pastries at 9:00. All postdocs and graduate students in the organization are welcome to join us for the social and/or the Research Reviews.

Research Reviews are short talks given by postdocs about their research. The Research Reviews are not intended to be mini-seminars, and should not emphasize results. Instead, they should focus on motivation and strategy and on the broad significance of the research endeavor. They may describe research currently underway or plans for new projects. The Research Reviews are held at a live location which changes each time, but video conferencing makes it possible for postdocs at the other two campuses to participate in the Research Reviews without traveling to the live location.

All ASP Postdocs are required to give one Research Review a year. Please watch for an email from Hugh Morrison soliciting volunteers. Thanks in advance to the Research Reviews committee: Hugh Morrison, Andrea Sealy, and Jiuhou Lei.

**National Postdoctoral Association**

The Advanced Study Program has joined the National Postdoctoral Association as a sustaining member. To learn more about this organization, please see their webpage at www.nationalpostdoc.org
**Drop-In on the Director**

Maura has reserved 3-4 pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays to meet with fellows for informal visits and discussion:

- **Tuesdays:** CG1-2144
- **Wednesdays:** FL1-2057
- **Thursdays:** ML-251

She is also available on these same days and locations for formal meetings. Generally, Maura will spend the remainder of the week at her ASP office in FL1-2057. Please feel free to drop in on Maura between 3-4 as noted above, or work with Kathleen Barney ([leeney@ucar.edu](mailto:leeney@ucar.edu)) to schedule a formal meeting.

**Postdoc News**

We are pleased to announce that two new ASP postdocs will be joining us in the next few weeks:

- Nedjeljka Zagar (MMM) October 9th
- Christelle Barthe (ACD/TIMES) October 25th

**Upcoming Events:**

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<td>Oct 11</td>
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<td>ASP Seminar: “Consequences of Regional Scale Nuclear Conflicts” by Brian Toon, University of Colorado, Boulder. Refreshments at 10:30 am. Lunch with speaker immediately following seminar in the cafeteria.</td>
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<td>Oct 26</td>
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<td>Research Reviews. Speakers to be announced</td>
<td>FL: FL3-2072 ML: Director Conf. Room CG: Collaboratory 2655</td>
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