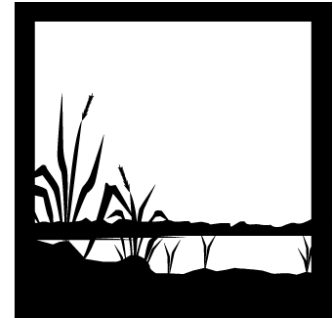


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Compiled by Bob Keane, US-IALE Secretary

Message from the Outgoing Chair *Eric Gustafson*

Out-going Chairpersons are tempted to spout platitudes about how gratifying it has been to serve the Society and about the bright future of the organization. The urge to extol the virtues of the new Chairperson is almost irresistible. It is just about impossible not to thank the many persons who have put a shoulder to the load and helped achieve the goals set forth at the beginning of the Chairperson's term. And who can resist the chance to motivate the membership to recruit new members and bring back those prominent landscape ecologists who have let their membership and involvement lapse? Being a man of great self-control, I shall do none of that.

I believe that US-IALE continues to encourage a professional expectation that landscape ecology science will be sound and relevant, and promotes the fact that landscape ecology is absolutely critical for sustainable management of our natural resources. In my view, this is the most important function US-IALE can play in a world of ever-expanding human impacts. So, my parting words are: KEEP IT UP, and the world will beat a path to our door!

Message from the New Chair *Peter August*

I recall the "deer in the headlight" look one US-IALE Chair had many years ago when opening his first Executive Board meeting the morning after the election results were tallied. In the old system, a new Chair had to go from zero to 120 mph overnight to get up to speed on US-IALE business. Creating the position of Chair-elect was a brilliant idea and allowed me to observe Eric Gustafson conduct the business of the Society over the past year. This helped me develop a sense of the issues before US-IALE. I was also able to witness first-hand Eric's exceptional commitment to the Society; he has been an exceptional Chair! On behalf of the landscape ecology community, I want to extend our collective thanks to Eric for his leadership and vision. And special thanks as well to Laura Musacchio, Bruce Jones, and Jenn Fraterrigo for their work as Councillors to US-IALE.

I want to welcome the newly elected members of the US-IALE leadership team; they are Mary Santelmann (Treasurer), Jack Liu and Kurt Ritters (Councillors), and Matt Luck (Student Rep). They join Nancy McIntyre (Councillor), Bob Keane (Secretary),

Ashton Drew (Student Rep), and Nancy Castro (Membership Secretary) on the Executive Committee.

There are a couple of themes the Executive Committee wants to focus on. First, student programs are the future of US-IALE. Today's students are tomorrow's leaders in landscape ecology. We must continue our tradition of offering a rich and exciting portfolio of programs and opportunities to students.

Second, insightful research and scholarship in landscape-scale ecology and land planning/design are not the exclusive intellectual domain of IALE. IALE is, however, unique, and fills an essential niche, in being THE single institution where rigorous science and practical application come together. We believe that US-IALE must foster interaction at this nexus of science and planning, design, and resource management.

Finally, we need to continue making US-IALE relevant and meaningful to its members. This means offering programs and services to make our members better scientists and practitioners of landscape ecology. Additionally, we must provide members a place where they can contribute to the growth of the Society, formally or informally.

And before signing off, I want to thank Nita Tallent-Halsell and Bruce Jones for hosting an exceptional meeting. The 2004 annual symposium was a success in every way thanks to the hard work of Nita, Bruce, and their excellent team in Las Vegas. Kudos also go to the program committee, workshop chairs, and contributors who provided a rich agenda of thought-provoking presentations and posters.

**Foreign Scholar
Travel Award
Award Committee**

The United States Regional Association of the International Association for Landscape Ecology has a program to support attendance at the US-IALE annual meeting by landscape ecologists from foreign countries and to foster international exchange about advances in landscape ecology.

We anticipate awarding one or more Foreign Scholar Travel Awards (FSTA's) for the upcoming 20th Annual Symposium of Landscape Ecology to be held in Syracuse New York the 12-16 of March 2005. Recipients will receive US \$1,000 at the Annual Meeting. It is the recipient's responsibility to make all transportation arrangements and cover all transportation and lodging costs associated with participating in the meeting.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants are NOT eligible if:
 - a. the applicant is a citizen or current resident of the United States or Canada.
 - b. the applicant is a citizen of a G7 country (France, US, Britain, Germany, Japan, Italy).
 - c. the applicant (of any nationality) is currently studying in the United States or Canada.
 - d. the applicant (of any nationality) received a Master's or Doctorate at an institution in the United States or Canada.
 - e. any previous recipients are also ineligible.
2. Applicants must submit an abstract for a paper or poster presentation at the 2005 conference. You must submit your abstract to the conference organizers by 30 September 2004.

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Scientific merit and application to landscape ecology. We will favor applicants who demonstrate that their research (i) advances the scientific basis of landscape ecology, and/or (ii) the application of landscape ecology for natural resource protection or management. New and established landscape ecologists are encouraged to apply.
2. Financial need. Applicants must have demonstrated financial need and show that without FTSA support, they would not be able to attend the Conference. Applicants currently studying or residing in G7 countries must demonstrate the extent to which they have pursued travel funding from their host institution.

3. Professional development. Applicants must demonstrate that attending the US-IALE Conference will represent a significant professional opportunity for developing their expertise in landscape ecology and establishing working relationships with landscape ecologists from other countries. We may favor applicants in earlier stages of career.
4. Geographical representation. Selection may be made to maximize the number of countries and regions represented.
5. Clarity of English and expression.

HOW TO APPLY

All application materials must be in English.

Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. A complete application contains the following:

1. Name, Institution, Email address, Postal Address, Citizenship.
2. Curriculum vitae (maximum 4 pages).
3. Title and abstract of the paper or poster you will present at the Conference. The abstract should also be independently submitted to the conference organizers.
4. A summary of your research (750 words maximum) explaining how your research extends the scientific basis or application of landscape ecology (see Selection Criteria listed above).
5. Statement on what you hope to gain professionally from attending the US-IALE Conference (200 words maximum).
6. An explanation (200 words maximum) of why you need financial assistance to attend the conference (see Selection Criteria listed above).

Submit your abstract to the conference organizers by 1 November 2004 at the conference website and submit your FSTA application materials to the address below by 30 September 2004.

Submit FSTA application materials by email to: riffell@cfr.msstate.edu, or by post (please include disk copy) to Sam Riffell, Department of Wildlife &

Fisheries, Box 9690, Mississippi State, MS 39762-9690.

Acceptable formats include Microsoft Word, Wordperfect, Rich Text Format and Adobe Acrobat (pdf). Please put all materials into a single file.

Awards will be announced on or before 30 October, 2004. Please visit www.usiale.org or <http://iale.esf.edu/home.htm> for more information. Other questions -- email us at riffell@cfr.msstate.edu

U.S. IALE FOREIGN SCHOLAR TRAVEL AWARD COMMITTEE

Sam Riffell (Committee Chair, Mississippi State University), John Bissonette (Utah State University), Sarah Gergel (University of British Columbia), Russell Watkins (3001, Inc.), Jianguo Wu (Arizona State University). Ex Officio Members: Peter August (University of Rhode Island), Mary Santelmann (Oregon State University).

Strategic Plan Update *Strategic Plan Committee*

US-IALE Chair Eric Gustafson commissioned a review of the 1998 strategic plan and development of a process to update the Strategic Plan -- US-IALE 2010 -- to guide the activities of the Society in the current decade. Peter August was asked to form a review committee to: (1) assess the progress we have made in achieving the goals of the 1998 Strategic Plan, (2) develop a process to update the plan, (3) solicit input from the US-IALE membership on what they want their society to achieve in this decade, and (4) create US-IALE 2010.

This report summarizes the review of the 1998 Strategic Plan by the committee. This is an important first step in developing US-IALE 2010. We need to know what we have accomplished, and what we have not; what are new emerging themes that require attention by US-IALE; and what issues that were relevant in 1998 are less so now.

The vision for US-IALE that was articulated in the 1998 Strategic Plan is as relevant today as it was when it was originally written. A vision statement for US-IALE 2010 should contain the same elements as

the 1998 vision. It should also address the role US-IALE intends to serve for its members and the larger science, land planning, and resource management community.

Many excellent programs have been established or strengthened in the past 5 years to meet the vision and goals established in the 1998 Strategic Plan. Prominent among them are:

- Continued enhancement of the US-IALE web presence.
- Development of a strong suite of student activities including awards, travel grants, interaction with mentor professionals, and opportunities for social interaction.
- There is a strong connection now between the Journal and US-IALE.
- The newsletter is an important vehicle for communications among US-IALE members. It is professionally prepared and offers informative content.
- The 501(c)3 tax status of US-IALE is now finalized.
- The NASA-MSU and Foreign Scholars Travel Grant programs are strong and successfully create opportunities for students and foreign colleagues to participate in the annual meeting.

US-IALE has made significant progress on meeting the objectives of the 1998 Strategic Plan, but work remains. The review team offered the following comments on the specific objectives of the 1998 Strategic Plan.

Objective 1 -- Promote the highest quality research and scholarship in landscape ecology.

The annual meeting, the annual awards, grants and scholarship program, the Newsletter, and the web site contribute to the advancement of scholarship in landscape ecology. These activities must be continued, and perhaps be expanded. We should consider the following activities to assist in enhancing the research and scholarship in landscape ecology:

- Invite distinguished landscape ecologist and distinguished practitioner award recipients to deliver plenary addresses at the annual meeting following the announcement of their award.

- Expand the use of the US-IALE web site to accommodate the information needs of landscape ecologists. This might include white papers, links to related sites, and information on tools, techniques, software, and data.
- Create an annual list of notable papers recently published in landscape ecology. This will allow us to showcase significant research in the variety of fields -- ecology, planning, design, policy -- the comprise the discipline of landscape ecology.
- Provide a clearinghouse and information exchange for instructional materials to facilitate education and training of new landscape ecologists

Objective 2. Catalyze new knowledge and further develop the body of theory using the interdisciplinary expertise in landscape ecology.

This is a work in progress. The tasks identified in the action item list for this objective have been done, or are underway. The tasks were to organize special symposia for the annual meeting on the theoretical basis of landscape ecology, publish short articles on successful application of landscape ecology, and organize plenary lectures at the annual meeting on the theory of landscape ecology. However, further work remains and attention needs to focus on:

- Using the unmet information needs of on-the-ground land planners, resource managers, and decision-makers to direct research in landscape ecology.
- Bridging the chasm between science and policy.

Objective 3. Improve communication among members and with international colleagues in landscape ecology, and among members, practitioners, and policy makers.

This objective has been partially met. Electronic forums for discussion (web site, LISTSERV) exist, but are not heavily used. Mentor lunches at the annual meeting have been successful. The newsletter and members directory are important vehicles to promote communication among members. The Annual Symposium is a prominent opportunity for networking and communication. Activities that might further promote communication include:

- Strengthen the linkages between US-IALE and other IALE sections worldwide and develop joint activities.
- Creating student chapters of US-IALE.
- Develop and implement a plan to promote landscape ecology among audiences who do not regularly attend our annual symposium or read our journal or newsletter.
- Reaching out and partnering with other professional societies.
- Develop ways to draw and integrate the planning and design community into US-IALE activities.

Objective 4. Advance the application of landscape ecology principles in natural resource management, land planning and design, conservation, and public policy.

This is a challenging objective and needs continued attention. Progress is being made; for example, US-IALE members have recently published two comprehensive books on using the principles of landscape ecology in resource management. US-IALE can achieve more on this theme and this might be the focus of a small number of targeted activities for the US-IALE 2010. Possible activities to consider for the future include:

- Preparing a white paper series on practical or emerging issues in landscape ecology and making the white papers available on the web site.
- Carefully designing workshops and technical sessions at the annual meeting to address application of landscape ecology in land planning, resource management, and decision-making.
- Making the insights offered by landscape ecology relevant and available to on-the-ground land planners, resource managers, and decision-makers.
- Co-sponsoring symposia on landscape ecology at conferences of related professional societies, such as the Society for Conservation Biology, the American Society of Landscape Architects, and the American Planning Association.

Objective 5. Enhance the effectiveness of US-IALE for its members.

Considerable work has been done on this objective. Great progress has been made in developing a strong suite of student programs. Membership has not grown as rapidly as some would desire. However, many members value the intimacy of a small society. Issues and activities that should be addressed to enhance the value of US-IALE to its members include:

- US-IALE needs to clearly define how large it wants to be and implement a plan to attain a clearly defined goal for the size and diversity of its membership.
- US-IALE should use the time and energy of its membership by encouraging participation in standing and ad hoc committees.
- Committee membership and the products of their deliberations should be aggressively communicated on the web site, the journal, and newsletter.
- Past members of the US-IALE Executive Committee are a significant pool of proven, committed, and creative talent that should be tapped to enhance the value of the society to its members.

Conclusions

- (1) The 1998 Strategic Plan has been a valuable instrument in guiding programs and activities within US-IALE. Many of the benchmarks established in the 1998 Plan have been reached.
- (2) The vision articulated in the 1998 Strategic Plan is still appropriate and should be retained in US-IALE 2010.
- (3) The specific objectives of the 1998 Strategic Plan are still relevant and require further work.
- (4) Clear, focused action items are an important part of the strategic plan. They are the barometer by which we can objectively measure progress. Many of the action items articulated in the 1998 plan have been achieved.
- (5) The wishes and creative ideas of the US-IALE membership must be tapped in creating the US-IALE 2010.
- (6) The Planning Committee, or US-IALE Executive Board, should perform ongoing assessment to monitor progress in US-IALE 2010.

Student News and Notes

C. Ashton Drew, Matt Luck

First, we wish to extend our thanks to Jen Fraterrigo, the outgoing Student Representative, for all her hard work over the past two years. Matt Luck (mluck@unm.edu) has been elected as the student representative for the 2004-2006 term and will join Ashton Drew (cadrew@unity.ncsu.edu) in representing the interests of student members and improving US-IALE's student-oriented services. Matt is a Ph.D. student of Bruce Milne at the University of New Mexico, studying water and energy dynamics between plants and landscapes. Matt also serves on the US-IALE website committee. Ashton, a doctoral candidate at North Carolina State University under Dr. David Eggleston, is studying the dispersal dynamics of fish and crustaceans in marine benthic landscapes.

Over 100 students attended the US-IALE conference in Las Vegas and we had good turnouts for each of the student events. This year the events included a Mentor Lunch, a Career Forum, a Student Social at Bahama Breeze, and a Presentation Evaluation Program. The Mentor Lunch was a success again this year, with students enjoying extended conversation with the experts in their fields. The panelists of the Career Forum themselves provided a great example of the many career paths that can lead to landscape ecology (or vice versa) and the session turned into a rather informal conversation among the audience and panelists. Thanks to everyone who participated: students, career panelists, and mentors! If you weren't able to join us in Vegas, we hope to meet you in Syracuse 2005.

Aside from planning for the 2005 meeting in Syracuse, we hope to 1) develop a student section within the US-IALE website and 2) form a student committee to better represent the broad interests of our student members. The website has great potential to facilitate communication and share information between students, but currently it lacks a student-focused section. For example, an online bulletin board might provide an outlet for enhancing communication and networking. A student committee is also being formed that will allow

interested students to contribute and participate more directly with the US-IALE organization. Student committee members may help direct or organize activities such as maintaining the content of the student section of the website, search for funding opportunities to support a student travel award to US-IALE meetings, or assist in preparing student activities at the annual US-IALE meeting. If you are interested in participating on the student committee, let the student representatives know—in addition to helping out fellow students of the US-IALE organization, it would be a great addition to your CV.

Treasurer's Report

Mary Santelmann

The financial outlook for US-IALE continues to be similar to past years. Examination of year-end balances for 1995-present reveals that our net worth has increased from \$23.3K in 1998 to \$56.8K at the end of 2003. The majority of this increase is attributable to profits from symposia. Our net worth is down by \$3900 from last year, primarily owing to the expenditure of \$4000 for the Foreign Travel Awards when only \$1270 was received in income to that fund, a slight cost overrun for the student social, and increased expenses due to web-based services. The proposed budget for 2004-2005 is balanced, but it should be noted that estimated income to be donated to the society from this year's symposium is uncertain, and makes up a substantial proportion of the annual income.

There are four developments of note from the treasurer's office this past year.

1) We have initiated an online membership renewal option, allowing members to use their credit cards for membership and donations, with electronic fund transfers to our US Bank account. We have had some increased costs associated with this process, which are shown in our revised budget for 2004-2005 under WWW expenses

2) I have agreed to remain in the office of treasurer for another term in order to make sure we have a year or two of experience with

the online membership process by someone familiar with the treasurer's duties before transferring the office, so that I can catch any glitches that might occur.

3) Low-balance accounts at Liberty Bank in Connecticut (basically all our savings accounts there were low-balance, with < \$10000) no longer accrued interest after April 2003. The Executive Committee voted in 2003 to close these accounts and transfer funds to the CD for the SAF, which still accrues some interest (current balance is about 20K). We are still keeping track in the societies' financial records of what portion of the CD is allotted to the SAF (about 75%) and what part are funds that essentially belong in the general fund (about 25%). Note that all of the money in the FTF (\$3802.77) was actually "owed" to the society to cover the \$4000 in travel awards paid to the four 2003 award recipients, thus none of the funds in the CD belong to the FTF.

4) In 2003 the executive committee decided that an annual budget should be approved by the Executive Committee for each year at the annual meeting. The budget proposed for 2004-2005 is available though it should be noted that this is a **draft** and may be modified before approval at this year's meeting.

Our primary source of income is member dues and donations, next comes the donations from annual symposia. We have very little interest and no investment income.

Online membership renewals included 88 regular and 57 student members. About half of our members have renewed with the "old technology". We have a total of over 200 regular members and over 100 student members to date, down about 60 from last year. We hope more of our members will renew soon. Notices for renewal were sent out later this year than usual because we were working feverishly to get the online membership option up and running before sending out these announcements. Some of our members may have missed the usual time window in which they renew, and may need additional reminders.

We have paid our dues to the international organization for 2003, and will be paying our dues

for 2004 to the international organization in May, once the main activity in membership is complete.

Our primary expenses are dues to the International Association, which over the past five years has accounted for 67% of the dues paid to us by our members. An additional 26% has been paid to the membership secretary for maintaining the membership database and processing dues payments. Dues to the international organization were lower in 2002 than in previous years owing to the adjustments that needed to be made because we had actually been overpaying dues for the previous 2-3 years. That has been remedied and we should expect to have a stable proportion of about 67% of our dues income go back out as dues to the international parent organization. Other expenses that have been incurred in recent years are the Student Social at the symposia, which costs approximately \$1000, operating expenses other than for membership secretary (e.g., bank fees, treasurer, awards, etc.) and web site development. It is apparent US-IALE is not covering its basic expenses from dues alone. The differences have been made up from donations and interest income. General expenses have declined in recent years because much business is conducted electronically (e.g., renewals and newsletters). However, given the need for maintenance of an active web site and web-based membership dues payment, we may need to increase our income to cover these added expenses.

Student (SAF) and Foreign Scholar Travel (FTF) Award Funds

These funds have decreased in the last two years, in part owing to a decline in interest rates (e.g., we received interest of \$212 in 2003 on the CD compared to \$867 on a lower balance in 2000) and in part owing to decreased donations (notably several thousand dollars less donated to the FTF). Both award funds showed a net loss in 2003.

The SAF generated donations and interest income in 2003 that were slightly less than the amount needed to cover the annual award of \$500. One item for the executive committee to consider is that the student award CD is maturing on April 8th, and we need to decide what to do with it. We may wish to purchase a 2-year CD, which would double our interest, or investigate other options for receiving return on this money.

The FTF has experienced a reduction in funds due to the fact that EPA, which augmented these awards in

2001 and 2002, was unable to do so in 2003. The FTF fund can only sustain one \$1000 award per year, depending on book sales and donations. We made four awards (\$4000) in 2002, and two in 2003. Of the two awards made in 2004 for the Las Vegas meeting, one award came out of our General Fund, donated by the society, as per a decision by the executive committee. The current balance for this fund is \$65, (if the \$60 cost of the bank fees for these awards is borne by the General Fund). Annual income to this account is just enough to cover one award. Profits from the 2003 meeting book sales to support foreign travel awards of \$1127 were deposited this year (thanks to Dr. Sam Riffel for conducting this once again!).

Taxes

Tax non-profit returns (Form 990-EZ) were filed for US-IALE for 2002 and will be filed for 2003 in early May. Note that Form 990/990-EZ is not required of a 501(c)(3) organization if our gross receipts average less than \$25,000 per year. Our receipts are generally less than this amount, but we are on the brink this year. It is wise for us to continue to file, since penalties for not filing when you are required to do so are severe.

This year Matt Gregory put in about \$3000 worth of work on the society web site, although only \$600 was invoiced in 2003. There should be less work this year since we have the online membership up and running, and will only need to maintain that rather than develop it. Webmaster costs should be estimated to be about \$2500 per year, and WWW costs \$550 per year, with additional costs for the online membership process estimated to be about \$450 per year. We will know these costs more precisely after a year with all these options in place. Detail income and expenditure figures are available on request.

2004 US-IALE Meeting

Nita Tallent-Halsell

Bruce Jones

The 2004 US-IALE meeting, Transdisciplinary Challenges in Landscape Ecology, took place March 31-April 2 at the Alexis Park Resort in Las Vegas,

Nevada. The final count was 334 registrants. Of these 117 (35%) were members, 86 (26%) were non-members, 75 (22%) were student members, 18 (5%) student non-members, 7 (2%) were one-day members, 14 (4%) were one-day non-members, 1 (<1%) one-day student member and 2 (<1%) one-day student non-members. Eleven (3%) of the registrants were student volunteers while 3 (<1%) were exhibitors.

A geographic analysis of the registrants finds that 36 (11%) were from 14 countries other than the US: Belgium (1), Brazil (2), Canada (17), China (1), Germany (1), Hungary (2), India (1), Israel (1), Japan (1), Netherlands (3), Portugal (1), Puerto Rico (2), Switzerland (2) and Taiwan (1). Of the 298 US registrants, the regional breakdown shows the majority of registrants came from the southwest (38%), mid-west (24%), southeast (14%), northwest (13%) and northeast (11%). States with at least 10 registrants included: Arizona (27), Colorado (26), Michigan (24), North Carolina (19), California (17), Nevada (16), Washington (14), New Mexico and Oregon (13 each), Rhode Island (11), and Minnesota, Virginia and Wisconsin (10 each).

The meeting featured four speakers, nine special sessions, fourteen regular sessions, two poster sessions, and a software demonstration and swap meet. The Yucca Mountain Boys entertained us at the Welcome Reception at the University of Nevada Las Vegas Marjorie Barrick Museum of Natural History. Thirty-four attended the short course, "Ecological Complexity: an introduction to landscape ecologists", taught by Bai-Lian Li, University of California, Riverside. The three Thursday afternoon field trips had 62 participants. Attendance on the Colorado River field trip on Saturday was limited to 12 with a waiting list of 10.

The meeting website (www.usiale.org/lasvegas2004) will continue to feature the on-line itinerary planner with abstracts for at least the next 24 months.

We have many people to thank. We extend our thanks to the speakers, Drs. Jerry Franklin, Lawrence Band, and James Deacon for their informative and thought provoking presentations. We also thank banquet speaker Mr. Edwin (Phil) Pister for sharing his experiences and insights following 38 years as a fisheries biologist with the California Department of Fish and Game. No major gathering is possible without the dedication and hard work of scores of people - often behind the scenes, who's individual

contributions and efforts combine to make the event happen. This meeting is no exception. We are grateful for the many who volunteered to serve as abstract reviewers, special session organizers, session chairs, web master and field trip leaders. Thanks again to the student volunteers. Their assistance was invaluable. We are indeed indebted to the many that have supported the implementation of the US-IALE Meeting and helped make this meeting such a success.

2005 Symposium

Jim Palmer

20th Annual Symposium of the International Association for Landscape Ecology US Chapter, Syracuse, New York, USA. March 12-16, 2005



The **2005 US-IALE Symposium** planning committee is developing a program of invited and contributed papers, posters, symposia, workshops and field trips emphasizing tangible landscape management goals that can be accomplished through the application of knowledge developed in landscape ecology. Join us in March 2005 to share your knowledge and experience. Abstracts due November 1, 2004.

More information and registration details are available at: <http://iale.esf.edu/>

Other Meetings

Bob Keane

Second National Conference on Coastal and Estuarine Habitat Restoration

Seattle, Washington
Sunday, September 12, 2004 - Wednesday,
September 15, 2004
11:02 PM - 11:02 PM

<http://www.estuaries.org/index.php>

24th International Symposium of the North American Lake Management Society will convene at the Victoria Conference Centre in Victoria, British Columbia. **November 3-5, 2004.** For information, contact NALMS at 608/233-2836, Fax: 608/233-3186, nalms@nalms.org.

[Lake 2004: International Conference on Conservation, Restoration, and Management of Lakes and Coastal Wetland](#) will convene in Orissa, India. **December 9-13 2004.**

90th ESA ANNUAL MEETING - Held jointly with INTECOL

Sunday, August 7 - Friday, August 12, 2005
Palais de Congress
Montreal, CANADA

First Announcement and Schedule of Calls for Proposals ([pdf](#)) ([html](#)),



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US-IALE

United States Regional Association of the International Association for Landscape Ecology
2004 Membership Application and Membership Renewal Form

US-IALE was formed with the purposes of: fostering the science of landscape ecology in the U.S.; linking U.S. landscape ecologists with the international community of landscape ecologists; and promoting interdisciplinary research and communication among landscape scientists and professionals, such as planners, who apply principles of landscape ecology. Benefits of membership in US-IALE include: membership in the umbrella international organization, the International Association for Landscape Ecology (IALE); discounts to our journal Landscape Ecology; Annual Meeting with discounted registration fee, subscriptions to the US-IALE Newsletter and IALE Bulletin, copy of the membership directory, and the US-IALE website. Please renew your membership or join US-IALE by filling out this form and submitting it to the Membership Secretary (see address below). Submit by January 31, 2005, to ensure there is no lapse in your membership benefits.

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
E-mail Address: _____
Website Address: _____
Telephone Number: _____

New Member: Yes _____ No _____

If you are a new member, please indicate how you learned about US-IALE:
__colleague __Landscape Ecology __web __meeting announcement __other (describe)

Interest Keywords: (e.g., spatial analysis, urban planning, conservation biology, etc.)

DUES:
2004 Regular Member (\$30.00) \$_____
2004 Student Member (\$20.00; Please include copy of student ID) \$_____

DONATIONS:
Student Award Fund (To support Best Student Presentation Award) \$_____
Foreign Travel Award (Aids int'l attendance at US-IALE meetings) \$_____
General Fund (General financial support of US-IALE) \$_____

SUBSCRIPTION*
Landscape Ecology (STUDENTS ONLY) (\$60.00) \$_____

TOTAL \$_____

RECEIPTS will be sent out via e-mail (if available) unless checked here: _____

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