

Discover Life in America
Great Smoky Mountains National Park
All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory (ATBI) 10th Conference
Wednesday, December 6—Friday, December 8, 2006
Holiday Inn Sunspree, Gatlinburg, TN

Agenda
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Day and Time	Program	Speaker/themes	Location
Mon-Tues, Dec. 4—5	“Biodiversity Data Interaction” Meeting (For the agenda, please see: www.atbialliance.org and click on Biodiversity Data Interaction Workshop.)	Various Parks and reserves interested in ATBI data. Meeting coordinator: Shelaine Curd-Hetrick, Shelaine@jiaweb.com	Greenbrier
Wednesday, Dec. 6			
8:00am	Continental Breakfast		Lobby
8:00am—9:00am	Registration/Check-In		Lobby
9:00am—9:30am	Convene Conference and Welcome Messages	Jeanie Hilten, DLIA Peter White, DLIA Keith Langdon, GSMNP Dale Ditmanson, GSMNP	Greenbrier
9:30am—10:15am	Featured Speaker	Michael Soukup, National Park Service	
10:15am—10:30am	Break (refreshments) and view auction items		Lobby/Gatlinburg, Glades, and Le Conte (GGL)
10:30am—10:45am	ATBI Alliance progress report	Peter White, DLIA	Greenbrier
10:45am—11:00am	DLIA Grants Program—2006 and 2007	John Morse, DLIA	Greenbrier
11:00am—11:15am	Inventory of 7 Families of Water Beetles (Coleoptera) in GSMNP	Charles Staines, Smithsonian Institution	Greenbrier
11:15am—11:30am	Aphid Retrospection and Prospection	Colin Favret, Illinois Natural History Survey	Greenbrier
11:30am—12:15pm	Featured Speaker	Tom Kiernan, National Parks Conservation Association	Greenbrier
12:15pm—1:30pm	Lunch (on your own)		
1:30pm—1:45pm	News from other ATBI parks and reserves	Keith Langdon, GSMNP, moderator	Greenbrier
1:45pm—2:00pm	Adirondack All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory	Craig Milewski, Paul Smith’s College	Greenbrier
2:00pm—2:15pm	Upward Bound? Elevational Shifts of Stoneflies in Great Smokies Streams	Andrew Sheldon, University of Montana	Greenbrier
2:15pm—2:30pm	Blood, Feathers, and Poop: Update on Avian Parasite Inventories	Paul Super, GSMNP, Barry O’Connor, Will Reeves	Greenbrier

2:30pm—2:45pm	Status of an Exotic Earthworm Invasion and Review of Earthworm and Millipede Diversity	Bruce Snyder, University of Georgia	Greenbrier
2:45pm—3:00pm	Charismatic Microflora: the Acid-loving Alga <i>Eunotia</i> from GSMNP	Paula Furey, Bowling Green State University	Greenbrier
3:00pm—3:15pm	Break (refreshments) and view auction items		Lobby and GGL
3:15pm—3:30pm	Diversity of Tomoceridae (Collembola) in GSMNP	Kelly Felderhoff, University of Tennessee	Greenbrier
3:30pm—3:45pm	Karst Quest: Investigations of Limestone Habitats and Caves of GSMNP	Adrieen Mayor, GSMNP and Jeanie Hilten, DLIA	Greenbrier
3:45pm—4:00pm	Progress in Barcoding Lepidoptera from the Smokies	Brian Scholtens, College of Charleston	Greenbrier
4:00pm—4:15pm	Repeated Inventorying of Soils and Streams: Are there Terrestrial and Aquatic Bacteria?	Sean O’Connell, Western Carolina University	Greenbrier
4:15pm—4:30pm	Hemlock in the Smokies—the Resource, Current Status, and Outlook	Glenn Taylor, GSMNP	Greenbrier
4:30—5:30pm	Tours: Twin Creeks, Natural History Collections, Sugarlands Visitor Center	NPS	various
6:00pm—8:00pm	“Ten Years and 5,000 Species” Celebration and Reception Concert, Storytelling, Presentations	Charles Maynard, storytelling, “The Mumbillies” band, and food by Walters State Culinary School Catering	Sugarlands Visitor Center, GSMNP

Thursday, Dec. 7	Science Education Day		
8:00am—9:00am	Continental Breakfast		Lobby
9:00am—9:15am	DLIA Education Committee Awards Presentations	Jason Love, GSMIT and DLIA Education Committee	Greenbrier
9:15am—9:30am	Tremont Ecological Expeditions: Raven Fork Expedition	Jason Love, Great Smoky Mountains Institute at Tremont	Greenbrier
9:30am—9:45am	Tardigrade Inventory Marches On	Paul Bartels and Sheree Ferrell, Warren Wilson College	Greenbrier
9:45am—10:00am	Extending our Knowledge of Water Mite Diversity: 2006 Survey	Andrea Radwell, University of Arkansas	Greenbrier
10:00am—10:15am	Air Quality Update for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park Region	Jim Renfro, GSMNP	Greenbrier
10:15am—10:30am	Coffee/Tea Break		Lobby
10:30am—11:00am	Annual Highlights and 10 Year Retrospective of NPS ATBI Education	Susan Sachs, Karen Ballentine, Heather Grossnickle, Jennifer Pierce, GSMNP	Greenbrier
11:00am—11:15am	Aquatic Oligochaeta (Annelida) in GSMNP—Update, 2006	Mark Wetzel, Illinois Natural History Survey	Greenbrier
11:15am—11:30am	Updates on the Fern Forays and the ATBI Symposium held at ASB 2006	Patricia Cox, Tennessee Valley Authority	Greenbrier
11:30am—12:15pm	Featured Speaker	Paul Sloan, TN Dept. of Environment and Conservation	Greenbrier
12:15pm—1:30pm	Lunch	(Teachers: Box lunches)	Gatlinburg
	Concurrent Sessions, Choose:		
1:30pm—3:15pm	“Biodiversity Boxes” Teacher Workshop	Mary Ball, Jennifer Pierce, and other DLIA Education Committee members	Gatlinburg
1:30pm—3:15pm	ATBI Alliance Session	DLIA Board members, moderators	Greenbrier
1:30pm—3:15pm	Group Meetings		
3:15pm—4:15pm	Poster Sessions	(DLIA grantees and others)	Lobby, GGL
5:00pm—7:00pm	Silent Auction, Refreshments, Music, and Social	ATBI Conference Committee, “The Woodpickers”	GGL

Friday, Dec. 8	Program	Speaker/themes	Location
8:00am—9:00am	Continental Breakfast		
9:00am—9:15am	Soil Algae in GSMNP	Jeffrey Johansen, John Carroll University	Greenbrier
9:15am—9:30am	Rarity and Diversity in Forest Ant Assemblages of GSMNP	Jean-Philippe Lessard, University of Tennessee	Greenbrier
9:30am—9:45am	DLIA Website and the ATBI Database: What's new On-Line	Charles Wilder and Chuck Cooper, DLIA	Greenbrier
10:00am—12:00pm	Focus Group meeting topics: --Strategies for Structured Sampling --TWIG leader meeting --Fundraising --Volunteer Project Teams --other?	TBA	various
12:00pm—12:30pm	Focus Group recommendations and concluding messages	Peter White, DLIA	Greenbrier