

JOURNAL INDEX UPDATE

As I mentioned in the last edition, I am currently creating an index for Volumes 1 through 61 of the Biology Unit journal for publication later this year. This publication will also include a section on the "History of the Biology Unit." Our Unit library of past issues has some serious deficiencies due to several unfortunate circumstances, which I will not detail here. Mark Reineke, our current Librarian, and I have been working to correct this.

We have received some valuable assistance from John Bloor and Sergio Lugo at the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library in Denver and from Barbara Kittle and her staff at the Daniel A. Reed Library of the State University of New York at Fredonia. These libraries have provided copies of their holdings for us and we have begun a project of scanning each edition into digital format in order to make them available for reference.



Presentation to Ms. Barbara Kittle

While I was back in New York for the NTSS this past week, I took the opportunity to drive to Fredonia to visit Ms. Kittle and present a certificate of appreciation to her and the Reed Library on behalf of the Biology Unit. You may wonder why this library would have holdings of our journal and it is because Dr. Willard F. Stanley, who was the first Secretary-Treasurer of the Unit and also the second editor of the journal, served as the head of the Biology Department there for 35 years.

Ms. Kittle also very graciously provided a tour of the Willard F. Stanley Biology Museum located in Jewett Hall. This museum contains some of the specimens collected by Dr. Stanley and others at Fredonia representing many phyla. There were many ornithological specimens including not only stuffed birds, but also eggs and nests. I was particularly interested in the several drawers of insect specimens.

Despite the success in acquiring two dozen editions to replace missing, partial, or damaged copies, we are still in need of some other replacements. I hope there are some members who can help in this area by loaning copies of editions that we need. I have listed these volumes and editions below. If you have one (or more) of these, and can let me borrow it, please contact me by e-mail (jackcongrove@comcast.net) or letter at the addresses on the inside cover.

- Vol. 2, No. 1 (May 1952): pages 1, 3, and 4 damaged
- Vol. 2, No. 2 (June 1952): page 1 damaged
- Vol. 2, No. 9 (January 1953): page 3 to end missing
- Vol. 3, No. 2 (June 1953): page 1 missing
- Vol. 3, No. 4 (August 1953): page 4 missing
- Vol. 4, No. 7 (January 195): pages after page 8?