Honoraria Committee

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Mission:

The committee's mission is to select students to be honored for their research in Mammalogy.

Information Items:

- (1) The Honoraria Committee did not award any graduate honoraria. Even after we extended the application deadline we did not receive many papers and none of the manuscripts we received was of sufficient quality to be awarded an honorarium. After the deliberations, the chair received email from 2 graduate students who said that they had submitted papers to the web site. These papers were not on the web site the day after the deadline. The web site appeared to be working properly. The Honoraria Committee will be addressing this issue and the quantity and quality of this year's applicants at its meeting.
- (2) The Committee awarded 2 undergraduate honoraria of \$400 each **to** Maria Marchan, Biology, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador and Nathan Upham, Biology, Occidental College. The quantity and quality of the applications necessitated awarding only 2 rather than 3 honoraria.
- (3) The committee regrets saving the Society money this year.

Action Items:

(1) Budget Request:

\$2250 3 * 750\$ for graduate travel awards (AM Jackson, B Howell, E Birney)

\$1200 3 * 400\$ for undergraduate travel awards

\$3450 **Total budget**

Respectfully submitted,

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