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NEW BOOK: NEW DIRECTIONS IN CONSERVATION MEDICINE

Ten years after the first conservation medicine book was released, *New Directions in Conservation Medicine* picks up where it left off with new reviews of emerging infectious diseases. The authors discuss new ways to integrate ecological health assessments, development of noninvasive monitoring techniques, adaptations for developing countries, and several case studies and applied examples. For more details, check this website: <http://www.oup.com/us/catalog/general/subject/LifeSciences/Ecology/ConservationBiology/?view=usa&ci=9780199731473>.

NEW BOOK: THE CUSTODIANS OF BIODIVERSITY

This book details indigenous approaches to conserving biodiversity, crop improvement, and managing natural resources. Communities must deal with new problems, such as “bio-piracy” and legal concerns. The “custodians” (farmers, herders, and fishers) share their unique experiences that will be pivotal for the development of international policy. The book includes case studies from China, Cuba, Honduras, Jordan, Nepal, Peru and Syria. For more details, visit this website: <http://www.idrc.ca/EN/Resources/Publications/Pages/IDRCBookDetails.aspx?PublicationID=1033>.

INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE TUBERCULOSIS CONFERENCE

From September 9 through 12, 2012, wildlife tuberculosis experts will convene at Kruger National Park, South Africa.

Some activities to look forward to are bonfire discussions in small groups on selected subjects as identified by delegates, a tour of the wildlife/livestock interface, and meeting with Kruger National Park researchers. The scientific themes of the conference include: Wildlife reservoirs and wildlife/livestock interface, TB control and management, socio-economic impact, Diagnostics, Epidemiology (classical, molecular, and surveillance), Spillover hosts (humans and other species), Host resistance (pathophysiology, host genetics, immunology, and vaccines), and Conservation implications. For more information, please visit the website: <http://web.up.ac.za/default.asp?ipkCategoryID=17190&subid=17190&ipklookid=13>.

12TH INTERNATIONAL PALEOLIMNOLOGY SYMPOSIUM

This symposium will be held at the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) in the centre of Glasgow, Scotland on August 21–24th, 2012. Sessions include the topics of Applied palaeolimnology, Regional integration of recent lake sediments for management of landscapes, ecosystems and ecosystem services, Environmental change in the high latitudes, decadal to millennial scale records of environmental pollution, and Palaeoecological reflections of biodiversity: challenges and new advances. For more information, the website is: <http://paleolim.org/ips2012/>.

NATURAL AREAS CONFERENCE

Under the theme of “Keeping Natural Areas Relevant and Resilient,” this conference is to be held in Norfolk, VA, USA from October 9 to 12, 2012. This meeting will bring together over 300 conservation professionals from all

around the USA. The Virginia Natural Heritage Program is planning this conference, in coordination with the Natural Areas Association. Some topics to be covered in the sessions are Natural Areas Program Relevance and Resilience,

Cultural Resource Management, Managing Climate Disruption Effects, and Invasive Species Management. For more information, visit the website: <http://www.naturalarea.org/12conference/>.