

**Tri-Beta Regional Convention**  
**April 4-6, 2008**

The Tri-Beta Regional Convention was 4-6 April 2008 at the OU Biological Field Station on Lake Texoma. This year's convention was hosted by the ASU chapter. One ASU faculty member and 28 students attended the convention. Students presented two posters which received a 1st and 3rd place awards. Students presented 5 oral presentations and won two 3rd place awards. The ASU chapter received more research grant funding than any other chapter in the nation. The ASU chapter is not eligible for the Bertholf Award this year (cannot receive this award two years running) but already has a great start towards next year's Bertholf.

The Southwestern Association of Naturalists held their annual meeting 11-12 April on the campus of the University of Memphis. This meeting was attended by four faculty members and eight students (graduate and undergraduate). ASU participants made one research presentation, but faculty members were active in professional duties to the society. Loren Ammerman served as secretary to the Society and JK McCoy was one of the judges for the McCarley Student Research Grants competition.