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West Presents Colloquium at Cornell
SFI President and Distinguished Professor Geoffrey B. West was a featured colloquium speaker at Cornell University’s College of Engineering on April 24. West presented a colloquium entitled, “The Complexity, Simplicity, and Unity of Living Systems; Universal Scaling Laws from Cells to Cities.”

Smith Presents April Public Lecture
D. Eric Smith (SFI Professor) presented a well-received, well-attended Public Lecture on April 18 entitled “Inevitable Life?” David Krakauer (SFI Professor) joined Eric as discussant after the lecture. Quoting Chris Wood (SFI Vice President), “We were treated to a tour de force of science communication. I was proud to be in the audience as a member of the Institute.”

May Public Lecture
The next Public Lecture will be on Wednesday, May 9, 2007, at the James A. Little Theatre. Ben Luce (Physicist at Los Alamos National Laboratory and Director of the New Mexico Coalition for Clean Affordable Energy), will present a talk entitled “New Mexico’s Renewable Energy Future.” Jessika Trancik (SFI Postdoctoral Fellow) will join him as a discussant.

Abstract: New Mexico has made significant progress over the past decade adopting strong renewable energy incentives and requirements; these in turn have led to significant solar, wind, and biomass development in the state. Luce explains some of these cutting-edge technologies, including new wind power and large-scale “concentrating solar power” technologies, some of which could be providing a large fraction of New Mexico’s power in the near future. He will also describe new photovoltaic (solar electric) technologies, including some that almost completely diminish the need for costly materials such as silicon. On the policy side he will discuss the continuing implementation of the state’s Renewable Energy Standard along with associated tax incentives and other energy legislation.

Cormac McCarthy Wins 2007 Pulitzer Prize
Cormac McCarthy (SFI Fellow) has been awarded the prestigious 2007 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction for his 2006 novel The Road. McCarthy is the author of nine previous novels. Among his honors are the National Book Award and the National Book Critics Circle Award.

Fidelity Investments and Google Join Business Network
The SFI Business Network is pleased to announce its newest members Fidelity Investments and Google. Fidelity Investments is represented by Jason Weiner, head of a Fidelity research arm. Mr. Weiner is based in the Boston area.
SFI is also pleased to announce that Google Inc. has joined the Business Network and formed a multi-year partnership with SFI.

45 Participants for This Year’s Agent-Based Modeling and Simulation Course
The sixth annual ABMS Course, “Capturing Business Complexity with Agent-Based Modeling and Simulation: Useful, Usable, and Used Techniques,” featured talks by John Pepper (SFI External Professor), Stephen Guerin (RedFish Group), and was organized by Business Network representatives Michael North and Charles Macal (Argonne National Laboratory). The participants used modeling techniques to explore a wide variety of business problems including health care plans and hospital management; the impact of civic participation among local citizens on electoral outcomes; and insurance plan management.

For more information on the annual course, please visit the ABMS website at http://www.dis.anl.gov/abms/abms.html.

Steelcase CEO Featured in HBR
Business Network representative James P. Hackett, CEO of Steelcase, Inc. was featured in last month’s Harvard Business Review. In an article entitled, “Preparing for the Perfect Product Launch,” Hackett details Steelcase’s efforts to ramp up the critical thinking involved in product development.

Steelcase, Inc. is based in Grand Rapids, MI and has been a member of the Business Network since May 2007.

Seattle Topical Meeting Set for July 30
The Seattle-area Topical Meeting, “Flows on Distributed Networks” with David Krakauer (SFI Faculty) is set for Monday, July 30. Thank you to all who have expressed interest in this event. Registration details will be announced in next month’s email update.

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May 4-5, 2007
Meeting — “Annual Science Board Meeting and Symposium,” organized by Geoffrey West and Chris Wood (SFI), and Science Board Co-Chairs David Campbell (Boston University) and Simon Levin (Princeton University). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

May 9, 2007
Public Lecture — “New Mexico’s Renewable Energy Future,” Ben Luce (Los Alamos National Laboratory; Director, New Mexico Coalition for Clean Affordable Energy) organized by Ginger Richardson (SFI). Held at the James A. Little Theater, New Mexico School for the Deaf.

June 1 - August 15, 2007
Educational Program — “NSF Undergraduate Internship Program,” organized by Geoffrey West (SFI). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

June 3-29, 2007
Educational Program — “Complex Systems Summer School 2007 - Santa Fe,” Director: Daniel Rockmore (SFI & Dartmouth College). Held at St John’s College, Santa Fe & the Santa Fe Institute.

June 4-15, 2007
Educational Program — “Growing Up Thinking Scientifically (GUTS) Program,” organized by Irene Lee (SFI). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

June 4-15, 2007
Educational Program — “Student Internship-Mentorship Program,” organized by Irene Lee (SFI). Held at St John’s College, Santa Fe.

June 13, 2007
Richardson (SFI). Held at the James A. Little Theater, New Mexico School for the Deaf.

June 14-15, 2007
Workshop — “Rule-Based Modeling of Biochemical Systems,” organized by James R. Faeder (Los Alamos National Laboratory), William S. Hlavacek (Los Alamos National Laboratory), Michael Hucka (California Institute of Technology), and Walter Fontana (Harvard Medical School & SFI). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

June 18 - July 6, 2007
Educational Program — “Student Internship-Mentorship Program,” organized by Irene Lee (SFI). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

June 19-21, 2007
Workshop — “Nucleic Acid: The First Billion Years,” organized by Harold Morowitz (George Mason University), Eric Smith (SFI), Shelley Copley (University of Colorado), and Nigel Goldenfield (University of Illinois). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

July 7-10, 2007
Educational Program — “Graduate Workshop in Computation Social Science Modeling and Complexity,” organized by John Miller (SFI & Carnegie Mellon University) and Scott Page (SFI & University of Michigan). Held at St John’s College, Santa Fe & the Santa Fe Institute.

July 23 - August 4, 2007
Educational Program — “Growing Up Thinking Scientifically (GUTS) Program,” organized by Irene Lee (SFI). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

July 25, 2007
Public Lecture — “Sexual Violence during War,” Elisabeth Wood (SFI & Yale University, Political Science) organized by Ginger Richardson (SFI). Held at the James A. Little Theater, New Mexico School for the Deaf.

August 13-24, 2007
Educational Program — “Growing Up Thinking Scientifically (GUTS) Program,” organized by Irene Lee (SFI). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

August 15, 2007
Public Lecture — “Investor Behavior and Market Efficiency,” Terrance Odean (Haas School of Business, University of California at Berkeley) organized by Ginger Richardson (SFI). Held at the James A. Little Theater, New Mexico School for the Deaf.

September 6-7, 2007
Business Network Topical Meeting — “Conflict and Cooperation: Strategy in Complex Systems” Co-presented by William Glenney (CNO-SSG and SFI). This meeting will take place in Washington, D.C.

September 11, 12, & 13, 2007
ULAM Memorial Lecture Series — “Ancient Perspectives on Future Climate,” Daniel Schrag (Harvard University, Laboratory for Geochemical Oceanography) organized by Ginger Richardson (SFI). Held at the James A. Little Theater, New Mexico School for the Deaf.

September 27, 2007

October 7-10, 2007
Workshop — “High-Level Perception and Low-Level Vision: Bridging the Semantic Gap,” organized by Melanie Mitchell (Portland State University & SFI) and Garrett Kenyon (LANL). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

October 17, 2007
Public Lecture — “Borders and Gateways: Computer Networking in Everyday Life,” Stephanie Forrest (SFI & University of New Mexico) organized by Ginger Richardson (SFI). Held at the James A. Little Theater, New Mexico School for the Deaf.

October 28-31, 2007
Workshop — “A Comparative Analysis of the Transmission and Evolution of World View Concepts,” organized by George J. Gumerman (School of American Research & SFI) and Timothy R. Pauketat (University of Illinois). Held at the Santa Fe Institute.

November 14, 2007
MAY VISITORS AND ARRIVALS
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Doug Erwin (5/2-25), National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution. Purpose of visit: Resident Faculty. SFI host: Chris Wood.


John Geanakoplos (5/3-12), Cowles Foundation, Yale University. Purpose of visit: Science Board. SFI host: Chris Wood.

David Virgil Griffith (5/1-7/1), Indiana University. Purpose of visit: Research Collaboration. SFI host: Doyne Farmer.

Ardeshir Kianercy (5/6-15), Mechanical Engineering, University of Southern California, L.A.. Purpose of visit: Research Collaboration. SFI host: Doyne Farmer.

Wolfgang Kiessling (5/6-12), Museum für Naturkunde, Humboldt Universität. Purpose of visit: Research Collaboration. SFI host: Doug Erwin.

Pablo Marquet (5/15-8/10), Departamento de Ecología, Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile. Purpose of visit: International Fellow. SFI host: Shannon Larsen.

Massimo Ricottilli (5/29-31), Economics, University of Bologna. Purpose of visit: Research Collaboration. SFI host: Doyne Farmer.

Horacio Wio (5/15-30), Instituto de Física de Cantabria, Universidad de Cantabria - CSIC. Purpose of visit: Research Collaboration. SFI host: Miguel Fuentes.