

GSNP NEWSLETTER

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Item 1: March Meeting

GSNP is sponsoring and/or co-sponsoring a large number of sessions at the 2007 March Meeting of The American Physical Society in Baltimore during the week of 5-9 March in Denver. Here is a list of GSNP-sponsored focus sessions, as well as several additional sessions that should be of interest to the GSNP. Please be sure to check them out.

A22. Focus Session: Econophysics
B22. Systems Far from Equilibrium
D22. Focus Session: Fracture
H22. GSNP Student Award Session and Exactly Solvable Models
J22. Focus Session: Collective Dynamics of Self-Driven Particles
J29. Focus Session: Granular Flows I
L22. Focus Session: Structure and Dynamics of Complex Networks
N22. Focus Session: Jamming I
P22. Focus Session: Social Dynamics and Scaling
S7. Percolation
S22. Nonlinear Dynamics and Applications
U7. Teaching Nonequilibrium Statistical Mechanics for the Needs of 21st Century Physicists
U22. Focus Session: Friction
V15. Focus Session: Nonequilibrium Thermodynamics of Small Systems
V22. Focus Session: Jamming II
X22. Focus Session: Deformation and Fracture

You are especially encouraged to attend the GSNP Business Meeting, Tuesday 6 March 2007, Session M22 5:45 - 6:45 PM, Colorado Convention Center Room 108 to hear about this year's developments from the GSNP Executive Committee and enjoy refreshments with old and new friends and colleagues. Free food will be available!

Item 2: Image Gallery

The Gallery of Images (jointly sponsored with DFD) will be located in the main exhibition hall (toward the left side of the room). There will be a hanging sign showing the location. Please check it out!

Item 3: New Fellows

Congratulations to our newly elected APS Fellows:

Phillip Holmes, Princeton University
David Kessler, Bar-Ilan University
Michael Plischke, Simon Fraser University
Tamas Vicsek, Eotvos University
Royce Zia, Virginia Tech

These Fellows will receive their certificates and pins at the GSNP Business Meeting, Tuesday 6 March 2007, Session M22 5:45 - 6:45 PM, Colorado Convention Center Room 108.

The deadline for GSNP nominations for the 2007 round of APS Fellowship elections is 16 April 2007. Please go to the APS website and follow the nomination instructions for Fellows that can be found in the "Prizes, Awards, and Fellowship" box under the "Programs" tab in the APS home page.

For more information, see <http://www.aps.org/programs/honors/fellowships/nominations.cfm>

Item 4: Election results

The results of the 2006 election of officers for the GSNP Executive Committee are:

Vice-Chair: Beate Schmittmann, Virginia Tech
Secretary/Treasurer: Arshad Kudrolli, Clark University
Member-at-large: Michael Brenner, Harvard University
Member-at-large: Predrag Cvitanovic, Georgia Tech

These officers will be assuming their duties at the Executive Committee meeting taking place during the 2007 March Meeting in Denver. (Note: the Vice-Chair proceeds through the jobs of Chair-Elect, Chair, and Past-Chair in the subsequent years immediately following.)

Stepping down from their positions on the GSNP Executive Committee this year are

Past-Chair: Charlie Doering, University of Michigan
Secretary/Treasurer: Dan Lathrop, University of Maryland
Member-at-Large: Laszlo Barabasi, Notre Dame University
Member-at-Large: Anna Lin, Duke University

We thank Charlie, Dan, Laszlo, and Anna for their hard work on behalf of GSNP over the past years.