1. Dr. Curtis Mobley selected as 2016 Jerlov Recipient

The Oceanography Society proudly recognizes Dr. Curtis Mobley as the 2016 recipient of the Jerlov Award for his lifetime of achievements and contributions to optical oceanography. Dr. Mobley is an internationally renowned expert in applications of radiative transfer theory to problems in optical oceanography and ocean color remote sensing. He received his Ph.D. in Meteorology from the University of Maryland in 1977, and he has been Vice President for Science and Senior Scientist at Sequoia Scientific, Inc. since 1996. The award will be presented to Dr. Mobley during the awards banquet on October 27th during the Ocean Optics Conference. Read more about the Jerlov Award here.

2. Announcing the TOS Student Mentoring Program

In an effort to expand career pathways for ocean science graduates, TOS will launch a pilot mentoring program for graduate student members in January of 2017. This pilot program is modeled on the successful MPOWIR program in which two senior scientists lead monthly conference calls with six graduate students. TOS's mentoring groups will be open to all graduate student members.

Two mentoring groups will be formed for this initial one-year program. Team A is comprised of Dr. Susan Lozier (Professor of Ocean Sciences, Duke University and TOS President) and Dr. Peter Spain (Research Scientist, Teledyne RD Instruments). Team B will include Dr. Alan Mix (Professor of Ocean Ecology and Biogeochemistry, Oregon State University, and TOS President-Elect) and Dr. Aaron Goldner (Energy and Environmental Policy Advisor, Office of Rhode Island Senator Sheldon Whitehouse). Additional details on applying for the mentoring program will be provided over the next several weeks.

3. The Oceanography special issue titled "Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill: Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Ecosystem Science is now available online and in print

All TOS members received a message yesterday (September 12th) from Distribution233@gmails.com announcing that the electronic version of the September issue of Oceanography is now available for download. The printed copies of this issue should arrive over the next few weeks via postal delivery. To view individual articles from this issue, please visit this page.

4. Ocean Optics Conference registration remains open

The Ocean Optics Conference takes place six weeks from now and online registration remains open up to and through the conference.
That's all the news for now; please contact me, Jenny Ramarui, TOS Executive Director, with any questions about items in this message or your membership.