

TOS News — February 6, 2017

1. Message from TOS President Alan Mix

Hello TOS Members. A tsunami of change is hitting us. Each day brings new political news in the U.S., and this affects our members all around the world. I've heard from some of you already, and it is clear that our community is feeling some jitters. Look for my column about some of these issues in the March issue of *Oceanography* when it is published in a few weeks. TOS Council is addressing impacts as it can within the specific legal limitations of our nonprofit status. One thing is not changing – that TOS is a member-driven organization responsive to and supportive of its members. If any TOS member has specific problems caused by recent changes – for example in international travel to scientific meetings or their educational institution – please [let us know](#) so we can try to help. There may be limits to what we can do, but we can't help if we don't know.

2. March for Science - April 22, 2017

Have you heard about the [March for Science](#)? In addition to the event planned for April 22nd in Washington D.C., several satellite marches are being organized internationally. If you are planning to attend the Washington, D.C. march and want to meet up with fellow TOS members, please contact Jenny Ramarui (jenny@tos.org). We're developing plans to make this a meaningful and fun event!

3. Oceanology International North America

Please visit the TOS Booth (D35) if you're attending the [Oceanology International North America Meeting](#) next week in San Diego. In addition to co-convening a Student Workshop titled "[How to find your perfect job](#)", TOS will also sponsor Wednesday's [happy hour](#) in the exhibit hall. Stop by, say hello and pick up your complimentary drink ticket!

4. TOS COSTARS Fund

One of our new programs, focussed on our student members, is the TOS COSTARS fund (Career Opportunity/Student Travel and Research Support). Opening soon, this fund will help graduate students to present their work at scientific conferences, to collaborate with colleagues at other institutions and to investigate career opportunities. We are still in fundraising mode and we encourage long-term members to contribute, remembering the help that we all got along the way. For more information, [visit this page](#).

5. Munk Award Nomination Deadline 3/31/17

The Walter Munk Award is granted jointly by The Oceanography Society, the Office of Naval Research and the Office of the Oceanographer of the Navy. Recipients are selected based on their:

- Significant original contributions to the understanding of physical ocean processes related to sound in the sea

- Significant original contributions to the application of acoustic methods to that understanding
- Outstanding service that fosters research in ocean science and instrumentation contributing to the above

Click [here](#) to learn more about submitting a nomination for the Munk Award.

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.