

Editor's Note

This issue of the newsletter is primarily devoted to the organization of the Developmental Genetics of the Early Embryo symposium to be held on October 17-20, at Indiana University. The symposium announcement is reproduced on page 4. A schedule of the sessions is provided on page 5, and abstracts of the principal talks begin on page 7.

At the symposium two Indiana University biologists, Robert Briggs and Rufus R. Humphrey will be honored for their longstanding (and continuing) contributions to the understanding of the developmental genetics of the early embryo. The symposium will begin with a social gathering, hosted by several of R. Briggs and R. R. Humphrey's former graduate students, on Sunday evening. Sandwiches and beverages will be served. Talks and workshops are scheduled on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday morning. On Tuesday evening a banquet will be held. The president of Indiana University, Dr. John Ryan, plans to hold a reception for the symposium participants prior to the banquet, and Tracy M. Sonneborn will deliver some remarks at the dinner. Following the banquet a blue grass music session is scheduled.

On Wednesday afternoon no formal talks are scheduled. Interested symposium participants will be welcome to visit the Jordan Hall of Biology. A third, more informal, workshop on Wednesday afternoon will be scheduled at which symposium participants will be welcome to speak.

A room reservation form is provided on the last page of this issue. Please note that the deadline for receipt of the registration fee is September 16.

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