Editor's Note

The staff of the I.U. Axolotl Colony is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Nathan Montoya to the position of curator. He has taken on many of the duties previously carried out by Mr. Larry Lawrence. Mr. Lawrence, in the meantime, has begun to devote his time to a number of special projects, including disease control, genetic records, etc. Together with Ms. Fran Bacher (geneticist, program manager, etc.) they are currently making several improvements in the operation of the I.U. Axolotl colony which should result in an increased service capacity. The telephone number of the colony is now listed on the cover of the newsletter. Readers who would like to inquire about the availability of experimental material should telephone the colony.

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Call for information: In future issues of the Newsletter we would like to include information on the following topics: disease control; enzyme markers in the axolotl; aquarium technology for axolotls; methods for identification of axolotls (eg. tags). Readers should feel encouraged to submit copy for the Fall issue in September, 1979.

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Complementary copies of a special edition of the "Developmental Genetics of the Mexican Axolotl" symposium, originally published in the American Zoologist (Volume 18, Number 2) are available (while supply lasts). Please sent request to George M. Malacinski. As well, a limited number of originals of the block print which appeared on the cover of that special edition are available. Inquire to George M. Malacinski.

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POSITION AVAILABLE

A post-doctoral position in developmental biology is currently available in Dr. Marie DiBerardino's laboratory. A biochemically-trained person is preferable. Current work deals with nuclear transplantation in amphibian oocytes and eggs. Position is available beginning 1 September 1979 and is renewable. Salary: \$11,000 plus fringe benefits.

Send C.V. and three letters of recommendation to: Dr. Marie DiBerardino, Department of Anatomy, The Medical College of Pennsylvania, 3300 Henry Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19129.