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## **EDUCATION**

Indiana State University Ecology/Systematics Ph.D. December 2004

Dissertation: The Ecology and Relationships of Chiropteran Ectoparasitic Communities of Indiana.

**Sul Ross State University** 

Biology M.S. May 1999

Thesis: Ectoparasites and Other Arthropods Associated with Bats of the Trans-Pecos Region of Texas.

Texas A&M University

Biology/Chemistry B.A./minor May 1996

#### **HONORS**

2010-2011 Outstanding Teaching Award 2010-2011- Sul Ross State University Fall 2011

2011-2012 Who's Who in Science and Engineering

2008-2009 Quality Enhancement Innovation Award - Best Un-Funded Project – Sul Ross State University

2005 Who's Who Among American Teachers

2003 Outstanding Student Paper Award of the Acarology Society of America (26 Oct 2003)

2003 Student Travel Award of the Acarology Society of America

Best Oral Presentation in Entomology Section. Indiana Academy of Science. (16-17 Oct 2003)

2002 Joseph A. Camin Fellowship. Acarological Society of America/Entomological Society of America. (11 Nov 2002)

2002 Educational Excellence Award. Indiana State University. (16 Apr 2002)

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society (Spring 2001-present)

Best Oral Presentation in Entomology Section. Indiana Academy of Science. (8-9 Nov 2001)

Best Oral Presentation in Entomology Section. Indiana Academy of Science. (2-3 Nov 2000)

Third place Presentation in 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate/Graduate Research Showcase. Indiana State University School of Graduate Studies. Terre Haute, Indiana. (7-8 Apr 2000)

Outstanding Graduate Biology Student of the Year 1998-1999 Sul Ross State University

Beta Beta Honor Society (Fall 1997-present)

Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities 1999 Sul Ross State University

#### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor of Biology at Sul Ross State University

Sept 2010 – Present

Chair of Biology at Sul Ross State University

July 2007-Present

Assistant Professor of Biology at Sul Ross State University

Aug 2004 – Aug 2010

Taught: General Zoology and Labs, Environmental Biology and Labs, Parasitology and Labs, Invertebrate Biology and Labs, Human Anatomy and Physiology and Labs, General Entomology, Animal Behavior, Applied Entomology, Collections Management and Labs, Science in Cinema and TV, Med/Vet Entomology and Labs

Curator of the Jim V. Richerson Invertebrate Collection at Sul Ross State University

Aug 2004 – Present

Managed collections, accessioned and preserved specimens, processed loan requests. Have accessioned/added over 15,000 specimens and increased new cabinets by ~50% since 2004.

Lecturer and Lab Coordinator at Indiana State University

Aug 2000 / Jan 2003 – May 2004

Taught: Human Anatomy and Physiology lecture and coordinated laboratory TA's

Graduate Teaching Assistant/Lab Coordinator at Indiana State University

Aug 1999 – May 2004

Taught: Human Anatomy and Physiology lab 231L and 241L, Vertebrate

Zoology Lab, Herpetology Lab, Mammalogy Lab, Ichthyology Lab, Entomology Lab.

Coordinated/directed other instructors from Fall 2000 to Spring 2004 for both 231L and 241L.

Assistant Curator of Mammals and Ectoparasites at the ISUVC

Aug 2000 – Aug 2004

Assist in the routine maintenance of museum specimens, including preparation, accession, and fumigation. Began efforts into linking the Indiana State University Vertebrate Collection to the Ectoparasite Depository. Also aided in the development and advising of undergraduate research projects.

Guest Lecturer at Indiana State University

Presentations: Molecular Techniques & Preparation of Tissues for Museum Seminar (2001)

Bat Capture and Handling to IACUC (2001, 2002, 2003, 2004)

General Bat talks to 5<sup>th</sup> graders at 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Days (2001)

Invited bat talk at local natural history festival (2003)

Bat talks to Mammalogy class (2000)

Graduate Teaching Assistant at Sul Ross State University

Jan – May 1999 - Helped design and teach Med/Vet Entomology laboratory

Jun – Aug 1998 - Taught General Zoology & General Botany laboratories

Graduate Research Assistant at Sul Ross State University

(Aug 1996 - May 1999)

Duties: Invertebrate curatorship, vertebrate curatorship, and entomology fieldwork.

## COURSES TAUGHT AT SUL ROSS STATE UNIVERSITY

- Biol 1301 Medical Terminology
- Biol 1402 General Zoology and Lab
- Biol 2404 Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Lab
- Biol 2405 Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab
- Biol 2407 Environmental Biology and Lab
- Biol 3301 Human Nutrition
- Biol 3303 Sciences in Cinema and TV
- Biol 3307 Animal Behavior
- Biol 3403 Parasitology and Lab
- Biol 3408 Invertebrate Biology and Lab
- Biol 3601 General Entomology
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Ectoparasites of Mus musculinus (McNair Sum 2009)
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Study of Eating Disorders (McNair Sum 2009)
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Ectoparasites of Honduras (McNair Fall 2008-Spring 2009)
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Ectoparasites of Nicaragua (McNair Sum 2008)
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Dental Practices in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (McNair Sum 2008)
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Individual Studies in Biological Sciences (Spring 2008)
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Invertebrates of the Trans Pecos (Fall 2007)
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Entomological Techniques (Sum 2007)
- Biol 4300 Independent Study Mammalian Ectoparasites (Spring 2007)
- Biol 4409 Mammalogy and Lab
- Biol 4410 Med/Vet Entomology
- **Biol 4413 Collections Management**
- Biol 5101 Graduate Seminar Classics in Ecology and Evolution
- Biol 5307 Animal Behavior
- Biol 5307 Applied Entomology
- Biol 5307 Applied Human Nutrition
- Biol 5307 Readings in Ecology Conservation Biology
- Biol 5312 Graduate Research Violet Bats (Fall 2006)
- Biol 5312 Graduate Research Biology in Practice (Spring 2006)
- Biol 5312 Graduate Research Quail Food Habits (Sum 2005)
- Biol 6040 Thesis Research
- Biol 6301 Thesis Prospectus
- Biol 6302 Thesis Defense

## **GRADUATE ADVISING**

## Theses Directed as Advisor/Co-Advisor

Erin Lance Chambers – An Ecological Study of the Southern Plains Woodrat (Neotoma micropus) on the Bar SR Bar Ranch in Alpine, TX – *In Progress* 

Melinda Dooley – Forensic Entomology: Dipteran communities in the Trans Pecos – *In Progress* 

Amanda Gutierrez – Forensic biology – *In Progress* 

Kody Kubala – parasites of Feral Hogs and Javalinas – In Progress

Cynthia McAlister – Pollination ecology of CDRI – What's the Buzz? – In Progress

Karin Nilsen – Vertebrate Communities in Saltcedar – In Progress

- Lizbeth Marquez A comparison of ectoparasitic communities found on small rodents between two different ecotones *In Progress*
- David Sauerszopf A Comparative Study of Presumptive Identified Bacterial Sample from the Texas Rio Grande Region to Gen III BioLog® Microplates *In Progress*
- Alice Harris The Prevalence and Abundance of Endoparasites and Ectoparasites in Domesticated Cattle: A Study of Parasitism on the Eastern Edwards Plateau (Graduated Summer 2011)
- Sajag Bhattarai Antibiotic Resistance of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, and *Streptococcus* isolates from Restrooms in Western Texas Mini-thesis (Graduated Spring 2010)
- Timothy Mullet GIS model validation for predicting Mexican Spotted Owl habitat in the Trans-Pecos Region of Texas (Graduated Fall 2008)
- Leah Duran PCR-Based Indentification of *Legionelle pnuemophila*, *Aeromonas hyrophila*, and *Yersinia enterocolitia* in Water and Sediment Samples (Graduated Fall 2008) *co-advisor*
- Brandi Bell The efficacy of Polymerase Chain Reaction Based Detection of *Salmonella* enteritidis and *Salmonella typhimurium* in water and sediment samples from the Rio Grande (Graduated Summer 2008) co-advisor
- Tara Poloskey A Comparasion of Artificial Structure Use and Associated Vegetation Characteristics between Midwestern and Trans-Pecos Bats (Graduated Summer 2008)
- Dan Leavitt Reassessing a lizard survey in Big Bend National Park, Brewster County, Texas (Graduated Spring 2007)
- Tiffany Beck Environmental factors affecting ectoparasite density in bridge roosting *Tadarida* brasiliensis (Chiroptera: Molossidae) (Graduated Spring 2007)
- Jeff Bardwell Diet Selection by ontogenetic patterns in the yellow mud turtle (*Kinosternon flavescens*) (Graduated Fall 2006)
- Amy Slover Biology of *Opuntia davisii* (Graduated Summer 2006) *coadvisor*

#### **Non-Thesis Students**

Rosalva Merez – *In Progress*Raquel Acosta – *In Progress*Levi Armendariz – *In Progress*Jena Carey (Summer 2010)
Traci Guckian (Spring 2009)
Ron Schulze (Fall 2006)
Kari Murabito (Summer 2006)
Anne Marie Hilscher (Spring 2006)

## **Committees Served On**

Jose Alec Nichols – *In Progress*Molly Klein (Biology Mini-thesis student) – *In Progress*Alcee Taverez (Biology Thesis student) – *In Progress*Alisa Lanning (Biology Thesis student) – graduated 2010
Lorna Hernandez-Santin (NRM MS Thesis student) – graduated 2007
Sheri Tripp (Biology Thesis student) – graduated 2007
Tammy Hartke-Quiett (Biology Thesis student) – graduated 2005

# **Undergraduate Research Directed**

- Lisbeth Cruz A Survey of Ectoparasites of Small Mammals from Honduras 2011 McNair Joel Natividad A Survey of Ectoparasites of Small Mammals from Guatemala 2011 McNair
- David P. Rumbelow A Look at the Population of Mexican Spotted Owls on the Davis Mountain Preserve in the Davis Mountains of Texas 2011 McNair
- Claudialina Duque Identification and Quantification of DAAB Bacterial Consortium Using Fluorescence in situ Hybridization (FISH) 2011 McNair
- Shelton Williams Comparison of cancer survey versus results reported cancer incidence rates for Brewster County, Texas. 2011 McNair
- Dianna Marin Culberson County, Texas: The Unreported County in Regards to Cancer Occurrence 2010 McNair
- Sheryl Bitner Ectoparasites of *Mus musculus* around Alpine, TX 2009 McNair
- Samantha Cohen A Study on the Effects of Select Herbicides on the Growth, Development, and Activity of Bullfrog Tadpoles 2008 Texas Academy of Science Outstanding Undergraduate Poster Presentation at 2008 meeting in Junction
- Lucia DeLaRosa Reshaping of Dental Practices in the 21st Century 2008 McNair
- Jo Gina Gallego A Survey of Ectoparasites of Small Mammals from Nicaragua 2008 McNair oral presentation finalist

## **GRANTS**

- JAMP Grant \$12,242.00 Fall 2011 Joint Admissions Medical Program.
- SRSU Research Enhancement Grant \$5,000.00 Spring 2011 Tamarisk Biological Control on the Rio Grande in west Texas: Assessing *Diorhabda* spp. Affinity between Saltcedar and Athel.
- JAMP Grant \$12,472.00 Fall 2010 Joint Admissions Medical Program.
- USDA-SAWC Grant \$89,295.00 Fall 2010 Tamarisk Biological Control on the Rio Grande in West Texas: Assessing and Enhancing Biodiversity to Benefit Rare Fauna in Tamarisk Invaded Riparian Areas.
- SRSU Research Enhancement Grant \$4,980.00 Spring 2010 Tamarisk Biological Control on the Rio Grande in west Texas: Assessing *Diorhabda* spp. Affinity between Saltcedar and Athel.
- DOD-TRIES DAAB Appropriations Bill \$744,355.00 Fall 2009— Deployable Aerobic Aqueous Bioreactor. (Note-PI of system-wide grant)
- JAMP Grant \$15,000.00 Fall 2009 Joint Admissions Medical Program.
- USDA-SAWC Grant \$82,277.00 Fall 2009 Tamarisk Biological Control on the Rio Grande in West Texas: Assessing and Enhancing Biodiversity to Benefit Rare Fauna in Tamarisk Invaded Riparian Areas.
- TPWD Contract \$14,572.80 Summer 2009 Student Summer Intern Program.
- SRSU Research Enhancement Grant \$4,999.49 Spring 2009 The Taxonomy of Laelapid Mites from Small Mammals in Honduras.
- DOD-TRIES DAAB Appropriations Bill \$530,863.75 Fall 2008– Deployable Aerobic Aqueous Bioreactor.
- USDA-SAWC Grant Years 1, 2, and 3 \$32,909.68 Fall 2008 Surface Water Pathogens in the Rio Grande Basin.
- JAMP Grant \$21,795.55 Fall 2008 Joint Admissions Medical Program.

- TPWD Contract \$2,240.00 Fall 2008 Big Bend Ranch State Park Water Sampling.
- CCRAA Sul Ross \$84,108.00 of \$1,838,365.00 Fall 2008 Biology acquired this amount of the grant to disperse and utilize toward equipment purchases and developments. (Note-Grant Collaborator, not PI)
- CCRAA COOP MC-SRSU \$11,312.00 of \$2,020,475.00 Fall 2008 Biology acquired this amount of the grant to disperse and utilize toward equipment purchase and developments. (Note-Grant Collaborator, not PI)
- SRSU Research Enhancement Grant \$4,800.00 Spring 2008 The Taxonomy of *Alabidocarpus* sp. from Chiropteran hosts in the United States.
- CDIMP Validation of two GIS-based habitat models for Mexican Spotted Owls in the Guadalupe Mountain range of west Texas and southern New Mexico Extension \$15,232.77 Spring 2008
- CDIMP Validation of two GIS-based habitat models for Mexican Spotted Owls in the Guadalupe Mountain range of west Texas and southern New Mexico \$40,441.66 Spring 2007
- SRSU Research Enhancement Grant \$4,922.50 Spring 2007 A Survey of the Plant-Insect Pollinator Community in a Botanical Garden at the Chihuahuan Desert Research Institute, Jeff Davis County, Texas.
- IMLS Museums for America Grant \$79,606 Summer 2006 What's the Buzz: Pollinators of the northern Chihuahuan Desert. (Note Grant Co-PI with C. Hoyt)
- SRSU Research Enhancement Grant \$4,583.95 Spring 2006 The Ectoparasitic Ecology of *Tadarida braziliensis* in Brewster, Jeff Davis, and Presidio Counties, Texas.
- SRSU Research Enhancement Grant \$4,835.00 Spring 2005 Biodiversity of Small Mammalian Ectoparasites in Brewster County, Texas.
- Proposal to monitor the area included in a habitat conservation plan for the Indiana myotis (*Myotis sodalis*) near the six points interchange \$453,567 Spring 2004– Co-PI with JO Whitaker Jr. and DW Sparks.
- ISU Grad School Grant/OSP \$1300 Spring 2004 Equipment/Research Dissemination/Workshop ISU Grad School Grant \$800 Fall 2003 Equipment/Dissemination of research/Workshop
- Acarology Society of America Student Travel Award \$150 Fall 2003 To attend annual meeting

Indiana Academy of Science \$2210 Spring 2003 – Ectoparasites of bats of Indiana

Indiana Academy of Science \$1080 Spring 2003 – Ectoparasites and Food Habits of *Blarina hylophaga* from Kansas

 $ISU\ Grad\ School\ Grant\ \$800\ Spring\ 2003-Equipment/Dissemination\ of\ research/Workshop$ 

Joseph A. Camin Fellowship \$500 Fall 2002 – To attend summer Acarology workshops

ISU Grad School Grant/OSP \$1100 Fall 2002 – Equipment/publication costs

Indiana Academy of Science \$2210 Spring 2002 – Ectoparasites of bats of Indiana

ISU Grad School Grant/OSP \$900 Spring 2002 – Dissemination of research and field equipment

ISU Subvention Fund Grant \$550 Spring 2002 – Publication page costs

Indiana Academy of Science \$1670 Fall 2001 – Ectoparasites of Small Peruvian Mammals (\$250 of which are matching funds from ISU Office of Sponsored Programs)

ISU Grad School Grant \$600 Fall 2001 – Publication page costs and field equipment

Indiana Academy of Science \$1200 Spring 2001 – Ectoparasites of bats of Indiana

Grad School Grant \$240 Spring 2001 – Registration for Indiana bat symposium and equipment Indiana Academy of Science \$980 Fall 2000 – Ectoparasites of mammals of Newport Chem.Depot

Grad School \$150 Fall 2000 – Research supplies (Slide mounting and books)

Indiana Academy of Science \$1300 Spring 2000 – Ectoparasites of bats of Indiana

Grad School Grant \$125 Spring 2000 – Registration for ASM meeting Grad School Grant \$125 Fall 1999 – Research supplies (Slide mounting)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- Sparks, D. W., C. M. Ritzi, J. O. Whitaker, Jr. (In Press). Behavioral Response of Indiana Bats to Loss of a Hub Roost. Endangered Species Research.
- **Ritzi, C. M.** (In Press). A Review of Mammalian Ectoparasites from the Northern Chihuahuan Desert. Papers from the Sixth Symposium on Resources of the Chihuahuan Desert Region, United States and Mexico, 15-16 October 2004. Chihuahuan Desert Research Institute and The Nature Conservancy.
- Bardwell, J. H., C. M. Ritzi, S. P. Lerich, and A. M. Fedynich. (In Press). Late summer dietary survey of scaled quail (*Callipepla squamata*). Bulletin of the Texas Ornithological Society.
- Leavitt, D. J., A. F. Leavitt, and C. M. Ritzi. 2010. Post-grazing changes in vegetation in Big Bend National Park, Texas: A 50-year perspective. Southwestern Naturalist 55(4): 493-500.
- Leavitt, D. J., S. R. Goldberg, C. R. Bursey, and C. M. Ritzi. 2010. Aspidoscelis scalaris septemvittata (Big Bend Spotted Whiptail). Endoparasites. Herpetological Review 41: 351-352.
- Judy, D. J., J. O. Whitaker, Jr., D. W. Sparks, and C. M. Ritzi. 2010. Unusual migratory behavior by an Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*). Proceedings of the Indiana Academy of Science 119(1): 99-100.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, and O. M. Munzer. 2009. Ectoparasites of the Evening Bat (*Nycticeius humeralis*) from Michigan. The Great Lakes Entomologist 42(1 & 2): 97-99.
- Platt, S. G., C. M. Ritzi, and T. R. Rainwater. 2009. An historic record of the red-cockaded woodpecker in Indiana. Proceedings of the Indiana Academy of Science 118(2): 200-202.
- Whitaker, J. O., **C. M. Ritzi**, and C. W. Dick. 2009. Collecting and Preserving Ectoparasites for Ecological Study *In*: Ecological and Behavioral Methods for the Study of Bats. T. H. Kunz, editor. Smithsonian Institutional Press. Washington D.C.
- Valdez, E. W., C. M. Ritzi, and J. O. Whitaker, Jr. 2009. Ectoparasites of the occult bat, *Myotis occultus* (Chiroptera: Vespertilionidae), in New Mexico and southern Colorado. Western North American Naturalist 69(3): 364-370.
- Mullet, T. C., F. Armstrong, B. Zank, and C. M. Ritzi. 2008. Predicting the potential distribution of *Viola guadalupensis* habitat in the Guadalupe Mountains using a GIS-based habitat model: evidence of a new isolated population. Journal of the Botanical Research Institute of Texas 2(1): 677-684.

- Storm, J. J., and C. M. Ritzi. 2008. Ectoparasites of small mammals in western Iowa. Northeastern Naturalist 15(2): 283-292.
- Whitaker, J. O. Jr., B. L. Walters, L. K. Castor, C. M. Ritzi, and N. Wilson. 2007. Host and distribution lists of mites (Acari), parasitic and phoretic, in the hair or on the skin of North American wild mammals north of Mexico: Records since 1974. Faculty Publications from the Harold W. Manter Laboratory of Parasitology. 2007: 1-173. (posted at <a href="http://digitalcommons.unl.edu/parasitologyfacpubs/1">http://digitalcommons.unl.edu/parasitologyfacpubs/1</a>)
- Leavitt, D. J., C. M. Ritzi, and S. G. Platt. 2007. Late Nesting of Scaled Quail (*Callipepla squamata*) in Big Bend National Park. Bulletin of the Texas Ornithological Society 40(2): 83.
- Bardwell, J. H., C. M. Ritzi, and J. A. Parkhurst. 2007. Dietary Selection Between Different Size Classes of Larval Jefferson Salamanders (*Ambystoma jeffersonianum*). Northeastern Naturalist 14(2): 293-299.
- Walters, B.L., C. M. Ritzi, D. W. Sparks, and J. O. Whitaker. 2007. Foraging Ecology of Eastern Red Bats (*Lasiurus borealis*) at an Urban-rural Interface. American Midland Naturalist 157: 365-373.
- Leavitt, D. J., J. M. Mueller, and C. M. Ritzi. 2007. *Phrynosoma cornutum* (Texas Horned Lizard). Winter Activity. Herpetological Review 38(1):80.
- Leavitt, D. J., T. C. Mullet, C. M. Ritzi, and J. R. Skiles. 2007. *Hyla cinerea*. Geographical Distribution. Herpetological Review 38(1):97.
- Reeves, W. K., L. A Durden, C. M. Ritzi, K. R. Beckham, P. Super, and B. M. OConnor. 2007. Ectoparasites and other ectosymbiotic arthropods of vertebrates in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, USA. Zootaxa 1392: 31-68.
- Walters, B. L., D. W. Sparks, J. O. Whitaker, Jr, and C. M. Ritzi. 2006. Timing of migration by eastern red bats (*Lasiurus borealis*) through central Indiana. Acta Chiroptalogia 8(1): 259-263.
- Tuttle, N. M., D. W. Sparks, and **C. M. Ritzi**. 2005. Extralimital Record of the Gray Bat (*Myotis grisescens*) in Indiana. Bat Research News 46(4): 147.
- Sparks, D. W., J. O. Whitaker, Jr, and **C. M. Ritzi**. 2005. Foraging ecology of the endangered Indiana bat. Pp 15-27 *In* Indiana Bats and Coal Mining, A Technical Interactive Forum (K. C. Vories and A. Harrington, eds). Office of Surface Mining, U.S. Department of the Interior, Alton, Illinois.

- Sparks, D. W., C. M. Ritzi, and B. L. Everson. 2005. Nocturnal Behavior and Roosting Ecology of a Juvenile *Lasiurus cinereus* Near Indianapolis. Proceedings of the Indiana Academy of Science 114(1): 70-72.
- Ulrey, W. A., D. W. Sparks, and **C. M. Ritzi**. 2005. Bat Communities in Highly Impacted Areas: Comparing Camp Atterbury to the Indianapolis Airport. Proceedings of the Indiana Academy of Science 114(1): 73-76.
- Sparks, D. W., C. M. Ritzi, J. E. Duchamp, and J. O. Whitaker Jr. 2005. Foraging Habitat of Indiana myotis (*Myotis sodalis*) at an Urban/Rural Interface. Journal of Mammalogy 86(4): 713-718.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, B. L. Everson, and J. O. Whitaker, Jr. 2005. Use of bat boxes by a maternity colony of Indiana myotis (*Myotis sodalis*). Northeastern Naturalist 12(2): 217-220.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, and C. M. Ritzi. 2005. Carrion Consumption by a Great Blue Heron (Aves: Ardeinae). Bulletin of the Texas Ornithological Society 38(1): 17-18.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, B. C. Bartels, and D. W. Sparks. 2005. The Ectoparasites and Food Habits of the Elliot's Short-tailed Shrew, *Blarina hylophaga*. Southwestern Naturalist 50(1): 88-93.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, B. L. Everson, B. J. Foster, J. J. Sheets, and D. W. Sparks. 2004. Urban Ichthyology: Changes in fish community structure along an urban-rural creek in Indiana. Proceedings of the Indiana Academy of Science 113(1):42-52.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, and J. O. Whitaker, Jr. 2003. Ectoparasites of small mammals from the Newport Chemical Depot, Vermillion County, Indiana. Northeastern Naturalist 10(2): 149-158.
- Sparks, D. W., K. C. Chapman, and C. M. Ritzi. 2003. Additional ectoparasitic records of bats from Kansas. Prairie Naturalist 35(1): 49-52.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, T. A. Wethington, and J. O. Whitaker, Jr. 2002. A summary of ectoparasites, including new host records. Pp. 216-220 *In* Kurta, A., and J. Kennedy, eds. The Indiana bat: biology and management of an endangered species. Bat Conservation International, Austin, Texas, 253pp.
- **Ritzi, C. M.** 2002. New ectoparasites records of two rodents from North Carolina. Journal of the North Carolina Academy of Sciences 118(4): 243-245.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, and D. W. Sparks. 2002. The Ectoparasites of the Rock Squirrel (*Spermophilus variegatus grammurus*) in New Mexico. Southwestern Entomologist 27(3-4): 257-262.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, E. W. Valdez, and D. W. Sparks. 2002. New Host and Locality Records of Ectoparasites from Arizona and New Mexico. Southwestern Naturalist 47(3): 453-456.
- Goff, M. L., C. M. Ritzi, and C. L. Hice. 2002. A New Species of *Polylopadium Brennan &*

- Jones, 1961 (Acari: Trombiculidae) from Cricetid Rodents, Peru with Description of a New Character for the Genus and a Key to the Species. Journal of Medical Entomology 39(2): 275-277.
- Fain, A., and C. M. Ritzi. 2001. Observations on some astigmatic mites (Acari) parasitic on rodents from Peru, with description of three new species. International Journal of Acarology 27(4): 251-259.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, and M. K. Clark. 2001. New Ectoparasite Records of Bats from North Carolina. Journal of the Elisha Mitchel Scientific Society 117(3): 137-139.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, M. T. Dixon, L. K. Ammerman, and J. V. Richerson. 2001. Ectoparasites from the Trans-Pecos Region of Texas, Including Notes from Big Bend National Park. Journal of Medical Entomology 38(3): 400-404.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, and C. M. Ritzi. 2001. The Arthropod Community in Bat Guano from a Building in Presideo Co., Texas. Texas Journal of Science 53(1): 79-82.
- **Ritzi, C. M.** 1999. Cave Myotis (*Myotis velifer*) Utilization of Cliff Swallow (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonata*) Nests in West Texas. Southwestern Naturalist, 44(3):414-415.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, C. W. Walker, and R. L. Honeycutt. 1998. Utilization of Cave Swallow Nests by the Cave Myotis, *Myotis velifer*, in Central Texas. Texas Journal of Science, 50(2): 175-176.

## Manuscripts in review

- DeLoach, C.J., A. E. Knutson, P.J. Moran, C.M. Ritzi, M.A. Muegge, G. J. Michels, D. Bean, and D. Thompson. (In Review). 25 Years of Biological Control of Saltcedar in the Western U.S.: Emphasis Texas 1986-2011. Proceedings of the XIII International Symposium on Biological Control of Weeds.
- DeLoach, C.J., A. Knutson, P. Moran, D. Thompson, R. Carruthers, J. Everitt, J. Michels, D. Eberts, P. Lewis, L. Milbrath, J. Herr, T. Fain, M. Donet, J. Sanabria, M. Muegge, D. Richman, T. L. Dudley, J. Tracy, T. Robbins, J. Hudgeons, V. Carney, K. Gardner, E. Knutson, C. Randal, C. Ritzi, T. Polosky, A. Berezin, R. Jashenko, I. Mityaev, B. Li, R. Sobhian, A. Kirk, D. Gerling, S. Myastseva, M. McMurry, F. Nibling, H. D. Soltero, and E. Delfosse. (In Review). Research and Initial Success on Biological Control of Saltcedar in the United States, with Emphasis on Texas and New Mexico. USDA-ARS Publications.
- Leavitt, D. J., and C. M. Ritzi. (In Review). A temporally astatic Chihuhuan desert lizard assemblage. Journal of Herpetology.
- Bardwell, J. H., C. M. Ritzi, S. G. Platt, and M. K. Terry. (In Review). Ontogenous dietry selection among yellow mud turtles (*Kinosternon flavescens flavescens*). Journal of Herpetology.

# Manuscripts in preparation

- **Ritzi, C. M.** and J. O. Whitaker, Jr. A copulatory aid for volant insemination in bats of the genus *Lasiurus*. In prep for Acta Chiroptalogia.
- Sparks, D. W., C. M. Ritzi, and J. O. Whitaker, Jr. Bats and urbanization near the Indianapolis International Airport. In prep. for Ecography.
- Sparks, D. W., J. E. Duchamp, **C. M. Ritzi**, and J. O. Whitaker, Jr. Comparison of the natural roosts of *Myotis septentrionalis*, *Nyctieius humeralis*, and *Myotis sodalis* near the Indianapolis International Airport. In prep. for Journal of Wildlife Management.
- **Ritzi, C. M.** Reproductive linkage between *Steatonyssus ceratognathus* (Acari: Macronyssidae) and *Nycticeius humeralis* (Chiroptera: Vespertilionidae). In prep. for Environmental Entomology.
- **Ritzi, C. M.** Changes in the Site Specificity of a Mite (Macronyssidae) According to Reproductive Stage of its Host (Chiroptera). In prep. for Journal of Medical Entomology.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, and D. W. Sparks. The Ectoparasites of Bat Communities in Indiana, Including New Host and Host Locality Records. In prep. for American Midland Naturalist.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, C. L. Hice, and M. Houck. The ectoparasites of a collection of small mammals from Peru. In prep. for Journal of Medical Entomology.
- Blackshear, S. D., K. B. Craig, and **C. M. Ritzi**. Endoparasitic Infection and Stone Debris Ingestion in the Texas Horned Lizard (*Phrynosoma cornutum*). In prep. for Herpetological Review.

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- **Ritzi, C. M.** 2000. The Ectoparasitic Fauna of the Bats of Prairie Creek, Vigo County, IN. 116<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Indiana Academy of Science. Richmond, Indiana. 2-3 November 2000.
- **Ritzi, C. M.**, M. T. Dixon, and J. V. Richerson. 2000. Bat Ectoparasites and Other Symbiotic Arthropods from the Trans-Pecos Region of Texas. 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Mammalogists. Durham, New Hampshire. 17-21 June 2000.
- **Ritzi, C. M.** and J. V. Richerson. 2000. Bat Ectoparasites and Other Symbiotic Arthropods from the Trans-Pecos Region of Texas. 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Undergraduate/Graduate Research Showcase. Indiana State University School of Graduate Studies. Terre Haute, Indiana. April 7-8 2000.
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# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Mammalogy
Entomological Society of America
Southwestern Entomological Society
Acarological Society of America
The Texas Academy of Science
The Indiana Academy of Science
Chihuahuan Desert Research Institute
Texas Association of Allied Health Professionals

Bat Conservation International

Texas Invasive Plant and Pest Council Tamarisk Coalition

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Worked on Salt Cedar beetle introduction along the Rio Grande River from Candelaria to Lajitas (Fall 2006-present)

Worked on insect pollinators of the Chihuahuan desert, using hand capture, blacklight, and pan trapping at CDRI, Fort Davis, TX (Summer 2006-present)

Attended 2004 Medical and Veternary Acarology Summer Workshop at OSU, Columbus, Ohio Field and laboratory examination of small mammals for ectoparasitic organisms (Fall 1997-present).

Attended 2003 Introductory Acarology Summer Workshop at OSU, Columbus, Ohio Laboratory examination of Ratites. Monitoring of asynchronous sleep behavior (Spring 2000-Spring 2001).

Fieldwork on bat reproductive assessment and roost studies. Projects included mistnetting, bat banding, radio telemetry, ectoparasitic sampling, harp trapping, vegetative sampling, vaginal washes, anesthesia, and insect population sampling. (Fall 1999-present)

Masters Thesis entitled "Ectoparasites and Other Arthropods Associated with Bats of the Trans-Pecos Region of Texas." (Fall 1997-Spring 1999)

Fieldwork on Ponderosa Pine Bark Beetle project. Project involved insect sampling and survey work (Spring 1998-Spring 1999)

Molecular techniques including primer development, PCR, and manual DNA sequencing of vespertilionid bats (Fall 1996-Fall 1997)

Senior Research Project on Bat Roosts (Spring 1996)

## TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Certified in Texas Parks and Wildlife project WILD program

Designed and maintained webpages for my courses at Sul Ross State University, as well as developing Blackboard courses. This included making PowerPoint lectures and supplemental information available for the various courses

Designed and maintained webpages for Dr. John O. Whitaker. This included making PowerPoint lectures available for the various courses I have taught, those courses taught by Dr. Dale W. Sparks, and maintaining the electronic museum holdings.

Designed ectoparasite webpages for the All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory in the Great Smoky Mountains. This involved developing detailed accounts of host records for various ectoparasitic insects and mites located in the national park.

## **SERVICE POSITIONS**

SRSU Advisory Council of Institutional Effectiveness (Summer 2011 – present)

SRSU Nonteaching Activities Policy Committee (Summer 2011 – present)

Kiwanis Board Member-at-Large (Fall 2010-present)

SRSU Special Committee for Faculty Evaluations (Fall 2010 – present)

Tamarisk Coalition Board of Directors (Summer 2010-present)

Kiwanis member (Spring 2010 – present)

SRSU Outstanding Teacher Award Committee (Spring 2009)

SRSU Teacher Education Council (Spring 2009-present)

SRSU JAMP Faculty Director (Fall 2008-present)

SRSU Special Committee for Faculty Evaluations (Fall 2009-Summer 2010)

SRSU Learning Communities Committee (Fall 2008-Sept 2010)

SRSU A&S Rio Grande Research Center Advisory Committee – Chair (Fall 2008- present)

TAS Academic Board of Directors (Academic Director; Mar 2008-Mar 2011: Local Host; Mar 2011-present)

SRSU Graduate Council (Fall 2007-Sept 2010; Sept 2011 to present) – Secretary (Fall 2009 – Sept 2010)

SRSU Information Technology Committee (Fall 2007-Sept 2010: Sept 2011 – present))

SRSU Web Advisory Committee - Chair (Spring 2007-Sept 2010)

TAS Chair of Terrestrial Ecology and Management Section (2007-2009)

SRSU QEP Committee (Fall 2006-Spring 2007)

TACCO Scientific Advisory Committee for La Junta Salt Cedar Control Project (Fall 2006- 2009)

SRSU University Task Force to evaluate academic programs (Fall 2006)

TAS Assistant Chair of Terrestrial Ecology and Management Section (2006-2007)

SRSU Core Curriculum Assessment Committee (Spring 2005)

SWAN Clark Hubbs Student Poster Award Committee (Spring 2005)

CDRI 6<sup>th</sup> Symposium Poster Coordinator (Fall 2004)

Biology Club President (Spring 1998 - Spring 1999)

Cottle Lecture Committee (Fall 1998-Spring 1999)

Biology Club Vice President (Spring 1997 - Summer 1997)