## Southwest Association of Freshwater Invertebrate Taxonomists (SAFIT)

SAFIT Accomplishments for 2008

## What is SAFIT?

- SAFIT promotes a better understanding of the taxonomy of aquatic invertebrate communities in support of bioassessment.
- SAFIT fosters scientific research, education, training and professional development of the environmental sciences, pertaining to freshwater invertebrates.
- SAFIT taxonomists work together to improve data quality by standardizing the identification and reporting of taxa.

#### Membership increases for 2008

Began accepting members January 1, 2008

47 members as of September 8, 2008

Join now! All the cool kids are!

#### Workshops successes for 2008

- The 2nd Joint SAFIT/SCAMIT Taxonomy Workshop: Estuarine Crustacea of California, Oregon and Washington was held at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo on 27 June 2008.
- 3rd Annual Hazardous Materials Shipping Training and Certification Workshop was held on July 23-24, 2008 in the Yolo Public Library.
- 1st SAFIT Bugfest Taxonomy Workshop Held at the Bohart Museum of Entomology at UC Davis on September 26, 2008.

#### SAFIT periodic newsletter

 Announces workshops, meetings, job postings, bibliographies, etc

• Currently circulated via email

• Newsletter will eventually be available on website

### Web site www.safit.org

 Current site mission information, STE, membership forms and extensive links to other taxonomically important web resources

• Developing a members section with taxonomic resources developed by SAFIT for SAFIT members.

# Thank you for your cooperation and support

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- SWAMP
- SCCWRP
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- ABC Labs Inc.
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- SCAMIT

- UC Davis, Bohart Museum
- CSU Chico, College of Natural Sciences
- SNARL-UC Santa Barbara
- ECORP
- Numerous private consultants

This year's SAFIT Annual Meeting will be held Friday, 21 November 2008 9AM to 5PM. at the **Davis Public Library** 

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