"Albert W. Franzmann and Distinguished Colleagues Memorial Award" June 2009

Inspired by the passing of our beloved colleague, mentor, and friend Al Franzmann in February, 2009, and to honour all of those who have passed on and have contributed to our knowledge and understanding of moose biology and management, Alces has established the "Albert W. Franzmann and Distinguished Colleagues Memorial Award." The one-time award, valued at CDN \$1,500, will be given annually to a graduate student entering or continuing in a Masters or Doctoral program at a recognized university in Canada or the United States. The applicant's research should be directed toward studies of the biology and management of moose within their circumpolar distribution or other ungulates or mammalian carnivores overlapping their range. Applicants are required to submit: 1) an official (signed and sealed) academic transcript of their complete academic record; 2) an up-todate curriculum vitae; 3) a detailed description of the research to be undertaken (min. 4 pages, max. 10 pages) as would be prepared for a thesis advisory committee; and, 4) a short supportive letter from the student's graduate supervisor. Applications must be submitted² by March 15 of the year in which the award is to be used. A committee of 3 past recipients of the Distinguished Moose Biologist Award will review applications and rank each submission. The recipient will be determined by consensus of the committee and their decision will be binding³. The recipient of the award will be announced at the Annual North American Moose Conference and Workshop⁴.

Recipients must acknowledge receipt of the award in any subsequent publications of their work and are strongly encouraged to publish at least some portion of their research in the journal *Alces* prior to or following completion of their graduate program.

Donations to support the "Albert W. Franzmann and Distinguished Colleagues Memorial Award" should be made payable to **Lakehead University Alces Account # 50-1606-2051** and be sent to Dr. Art Rodgers². *Alces* is not a registered charitable organization or incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation and cannot issue receipts for income tax purposes.

¹ First-time applicants in the early phases of their research will be given preference but in the absence of suitable new applicants, consideration will be given to previous recipients pending submission of a progress report and recommendation by their graduate supervisor. Previous recipients interested in reapplying should contact Dr. Art Rodgers² after March 15 to find out if the award is still available. The deadline for previous recipients to submit a progress report and letter of recommendation will be April 15 of the year in which the award is to be used.

² Applications must be submitted to; Dr. Arthur R. Rodgers Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Centre for Northern Forest Ecosystem Research 955 Oliver Road Thunder Bay, Ontario Canada P7B 5E1 E-mail: art.rodgers@ontario.ca

³ Failed applicants are welcome to reapply and must do so to be considered in a future competition.

⁴ The recipient does not have to be in attendance but all applicants are encouraged to take advantage of the *Alces* "Newcomer's Travel Award" to attend the annual meeting.