

Zealand, and at present I'm dealing with material from Canterbury Museum (Christchurch, New Zealand), Otago Museum (Dunedin, NZ), Department of Conservation (Invercargill, NZ). Projects in preparation involve the descriptions of new species of New Zealand notonemourids, gripopterygids and a single eustheniid. In between I work on South American gripopterygids and at present I am concentrating on *Notoperla*.

Dr. Ken W. Stewart, University of North Texas.

1. Just finished, with co-author Bill P. Stark, the Plecoptera chapter for the upcoming 4th edition of the Merritt, Cummins & Berg textbook "An Introduction to the Aquatic Insects of North America".
2. Ken is a Plecoptera consultant for the North American Benthological Societies Taxonomic Certification Program (TCP).
3. The book "Stoneflies of Alaska and Western Canada" with co-author Mark W. Oswood, will be published by Caddis Press by June, 2006. The book includes the history of stonefly studies and records for this northwestern corner of North America, illustrated adult keys to all 153 species, and generic keys to regional nymphs. Ken and Mark have been working on the project since 1980.
4. Ken is working with Eugene Drake for the 3rd year to rear and describe nymphs of rare southern California *Calileuctra*, *Taenionema*, *Haploperla*, *Capnia*, and *Sweltsa*.
5. Bill Stark and Ken are engaged in an ambitious project to attempt rearing of all western *Sweltsa* species, and description of the nymphs. Eugene Drake is helping with California species, and Boris Kondratieff with Colorado species. If any of you have correlated nymphs, please contact Ken or Bill.
6. Ken's 15-year project to rear and describe *Taenionema* species nymphs, with collaboration of several colleagues, is nearing completion.

Bob Zuellig, Barry Poulton, and Boris Kondratieff are working on the stoneflies of Missouri. If anyone has specimens from Missouri, especially from areas north of the Missouri River, please send them to the address below so they can be included in our manuscript. All specimens will be well cared for and returned.

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Luke Myers

I am working on a survey of the stoneflies of New York State particularly the Adirondack Park with Boris Kondratieff. If anyone has specimens please send them to Dr. Kondratieff

Obituaries

FRANCOISE HARPER

Françoise Harper died June 24, 2005 after a long bout of MSA, a Parkinson-type neurodegenerative disease; she was 63. Françoise was drawn to zoology by a passion for reptiles which she later transferred to mayflies on which she completed her Master's thesis under Abbé Étienne Magnin, a priest-scientist of the old French school. Her initiation to entomology came during summer work as a student on the Montreal Expo Shadfly Project in 1965 under the supervision of Dr. Philip S. Corbet (of dragonfly fame) and Mr. Hartley Fredeen (a black fly man).

She worked part-time all her life mainly as a scientific translator (English to French) for the Canadian National Research Council. She did also free-lance work and, among others, translated into French the Peterson Field Guides to the Insects and the Mammals. She often found time to spend a few days a week in my lab and she authored or co-authored some 15 scientific papers on aquatic insects and described 5 new species of mayflies. Her first species, *Ameletus walleyi*, was dedicated to G. Stuart Walley, an assistant to Dr. James McDunnough, who introduced her to the world of mayflies (incidentally, Mr. Walley is now 101 years old and Canada's oldest living professional entomologist). She had a keen eye for taxonomy and



was quite knowledgeable of the Northeastern fauna of mayflies, stoneflies, and caddisflies. She loved fieldwork and was for a time field and lab assistant for Dr. H.B.N. Hynes. She always remembered with great fondness a summer spent in Oregon in 1980 in the lab of Dr. Norm H. Anderson and the many months at Schlitz (Germany) in 1992-1993 with Dr. Peter Zwick.

She was artistically-minded. She had a beautiful singing voice and perfect pitch and belonged to many choirs and ensembles; she was particularly dedicated to her High Church Anglican liturgical choir. She learned painting and jewelry from her mother who was an artist; she herself was more of a very good artisan. She wrote beautiful French prose and, during her illness, drew up her memoirs for her two grandsons she would not see grow up.

P.P. Harper

DR. TEIZI KAWAI (20 Oct. 1925-23 April. 2005)



TEIZI KAWAI was born in Kyoto and lived his entire life in the city that was an old capital in Japan. He graduated from Kyoto University in 1949 and obtained a research associate position with the Ohtsu Hydrobiological Station. Two years later, he became a faculty member of Nara Women's University (NWU) and retired in 1989 as a professor of Faculty of Science and Graduate School of Human Culture, NWU. He was honored with the title of professor emeritus at NWU for his many substantial scholarly achievements. He continued his scientific activity till the last days and passed away on 23 April 2005. He made major contributions on the taxonomy of Asian Plecoptera. He was awarded 1995 Life Time Achievement Award for his lifeworks from the International Committee of Plecoptelologists at the XII International Symposium on Plecoptera, Lausanne in Switzerland. He also performed his duty as a member of both the Committee and the editorial board for "*Aquatic Insects*" for long time. He contributed greatly to the development of Japanese and Asian aquatic entomology. The book "*An illustrated Book on Aquatic Insects in Japan*" edited by him has been used for 20 years in Japan, and a new book "*Aquatic Insects of Japan: Manual with Keys and Illustrations*" published in January 2005, when he was in hospital. He and Dr. Tanida planned to publish this book 10 years ago, and it was eagerly anticipated. His last studies and

subsequent publications were completed despite his struggle against lung cancer.

When he was 42, he spent a year at the Max-Planck-Institute for Limnology in Schlitz focusing on his research on the taxonomy of Plecoptera. He loved Schlitz as his second hometown, because of great people and beautiful surroundings. Because of his natural pleasant personality he had many friends in the world. He was characterized by his lively intellectual curiosity. He had a great interest in natural history museums, zoos, postage stamps, and even in the kinds of toilet paper! He spent his entire life as a young boy, filled with great curiosity.

During the last several months of his life, his students visited him frequently in the hospital, spending much quality time with him. His collections of stoneflies, other material and literature have been deposited both in Biwa Lake Museum and Nara Women's University, respectively. At Nara Women's University, he was honored with the "Kawai Bunko" (the Library of Kawai). He is remembered as a good friend and senior of our profession forever.

Yu Isobe, Nara

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