Northwest Creation Conference 2007

Saturday, February 3rd • Sunday, February 4th
Columbia Conference Center, Holiday Inn Portland Airport
8439 NE Columbia Boulevard • Portland, OR

The (20th Anniversary) Annual Northwest Creation Conference is coming! Presented by Creation Science Ministries of Oregon, this year’s meeting will feature local host and researcher Dennis Swift as well as three speakers from the Institute for Creation Research.

Some of the topics will include: “The importance of special creation with no compromise”, “Why is the issue of a young earth so important?”, “Dino Fest—interactive kid-friendly presentation”, “Results of 8-year RATE project”, “Natural selection, a dead argument for life’s origin”, “Equipping anyone with answers–Re: the defects of evolution”, “Evidence for a Biblical Ice Age”, “Global flood field evidence”, and much more.

Dennis Swift, host, John Baumgardner, Randy Guliusza, and Larry Vardiman with the Institute for Creation Research.

Note: this is an early-in-month event—call or check website for pre-registration details!

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The QUESTION IS NOT WHEN DOES LIFE BEGIN, but when does a person begin?” Dr. David Menton explains from anatomical science and biology the truth of Psalm 139:13–16, which says that God weaves us together in the womb. This illustrated lecture (subject of our January meeting) also reveals the amazing and intricate design of the womb and the processes of fertilization, implantation, embryonic development and birth itself. Dr. Menton shows that each of these is a series of miracles (irreducible complexities) that cannot be explained by chance and random processes. Even more important, as Dr. Menton explains with grace and sensitivity in the wrap-up of the video, is the second “birth” process of salvation explained in John 3.

A popular past DSA meeting featured a showing of “The Hearing Ear and Seeing Eye”, of which Dr. Menton was also the speaker.

Steve Hayley will host this month’s movie and topic, which will tie in with 34th anniversary of the infamous Roe v.Wade decision by the Supreme Court. Juanita Guy will have a table with materials from the Pregnancy Resource Centers, as well as some handouts and other materials from Oregon Right To Life.

We will break the one hour movie into two sections and then Steve will do a wrap up and entertain a few questions or comments as time permits.

This month’s DSA MEETING WILL BE held on Saturday, January 20, 2007, from 9 to 11:30 AM. Be sure to join us!

Dr. David Menton on big screen
Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

“I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made...” Psalm 139:14

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Evolution Could Never Happen at All

An excerpt from:
The Scientific Case Against Evolution
by Henry M. Morris, Ph.D.

The main scientific reason why there is no evidence for evolution in either the present or the past (except in the creative imagination of evolutionary scientists) is because one of the most fundamental laws of nature precludes it. The law of increasing entropy — also known as the second law of thermodynamics — stipulates that all systems in the real world tend to go “downhill,” as it were, toward disorganization and decreased complexity.

This law of entropy is, by any measure, one of the most universal, best proved laws of nature. It applies not only in physical and chemical systems, but also in biological and geological systems — in fact, in all systems, without exception.

No exception to the second law of thermodynamics has ever been found — not even a tiny one. Like conservation of energy (the “first law”), the existence of a law so precise and so independent of details of models must have a logical foundation that is independent of the fact that matter is composed of interacting particles.

The author of this quote is referring primarily to physics, but he does point out that the second law is “independent of details of models.” Besides, practically all evolutionary biologists are reductionists — that is, they insist that there are no “vitalist” forces in living systems, and that all biological processes are explicable in terms of physics and chemistry.

That being the case, biological processes also must operate in accordance with the laws of thermodynamics, and practically all biologists acknowledge this.

Evolutionists commonly insist, however, that evolution is a fact anyhow, and that the conflict is resolved by noting that the earth is an “open system,” with the incoming energy from the sun able to sustain evolution throughout the geological ages in spite of the natural tendency of all systems to deteriorate toward disorganization. That is how an evolutionary entomologist has dismissed W. A. Dembski’s impressive recent book, Intelligent Design. This scientist defines what he thinks is “natural processes’ ability to increase complexity” by noting what he calls a “law” in “the arguments against evolution based on the second law of thermodynamics.” And what is this flaw?

Although the overall amount of disorder in a closed system cannot decrease, local order within a larger system can increase even without the actions of an intelligent agent.

This naive response to the entropy law is typical of evolutionary disimulation. While it is true that local order can increase in an open system if certain conditions are met, the fact is that evolution does not meet those conditions. Simply saying that the earth is open to the energy from the sun says nothing about how that raw solar heat is converted into increased complexity in any system, open or closed.

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The fact is that the best known and most fundamental equation of thermodynamics says that the influx of heat into an open system will increase the entropy of that system, not decrease it. All known cases of decreased entropy (or increased organization) in open systems involve a guiding program of some sort and one or more energy conversion mechanisms.

Evolution has neither of these. Mutations are not “organizing” mechanisms, but disorganizing (in accord with the second law). They are commonly harmful, sometimes neutral, but never beneficial (at least as far as observed mutations are concerned). Natural selection cannot generate order, but can only “sieve out” the disorganizing mutations presented to it, thereby conserving the existing order, but never generating new order. In principle, it may be barely conceivable that evolution could occur in open systems, in spite of the tendency of all systems to disintegrate sooner or later. But no one yet has been able to show that it actually has the ability to overcome this universal tendency, and that is the basic reason why there is still no bona fide proof of evolution, past or present.

From the statements of evolutionists themselves, therefore, we have learned that there is no real scientific evidence for real evolution. The only observable evidence is that of very limited horizontal (or downward) changes within strict limits.

References

Read the complete essay at: www.icr.org/home/resources/resourcestracts_scientificcaseagainstevolution/