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Editors' Remarks

As promised in this space in the previous issue, we want to explain our reasoning for including profiles of "iguana people" and of species that coexist with the iguanas that are and will continue to be the focus of every issue. "Iguana people" fall into several categories. Most of the individuals we've profiled to date and probably most of those we'll feature in future issues have been heavily involved in conservation of iguanas. However, we have and will continue to feature researchers whose work has provided new insights into the evolutionary relationships, behavior, or ecology of iguanas. We also intend to profile individuals whose expertise is in husbandry. Regardless, however, of an individual's specialties, these are folks who have made an impact in the arena of iguana biology. Why do we think this is important? Three main reasons apply: (1) These are people who can and should serve as role models for aspiring conservationists, academics, researchers, or advanced herpetoculturists. (2) We would like to think that reading about these persons will inspire readers to emulate them, even if that requires an expansion of one's "comfort zone" by tackling issues that seem beyond one's ability. (3) These are neat folks and reading about their exploits can be fun as well as inspiring and educational.

"Species profiles" are not intended to be inspirational — but they are intended to be educational. Because we believe that most persons interested in iguanas also have an interest in their habitats and in the other animals with which those are shared, providing brief glimpses into the lives of reptiles that live in areas that are featured in the iguana-centered articles should serve to enlighten and entertain.

These regular features, along with those that focus on husbandry and historical perspectives, reflect our efforts to meet the needs and special interests of our readers. We remain open, however, to the inclusion of more and different sorts of information. If you have ideas about articles that you would like to see in IGUANA, please feel free to contact any member of the editorial board. We'd enjoy hearing from you.

Bob Powell, AJ Gutman, and John Binns

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