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Spring 2008 Newsletter

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2009 NAREA Annual Meeting & Workshop – “Experiments Applied to Environmental and Agricultural Economics” June 7 - 9 Burlington, Vermont

President's Column

Steve Smith

Our 2008 meeting, joint with the Canadian Agricultural Economics Association, is at hand. I look forward to seeing you there. Lori Lynch, our President-Elect and Program Chair, has finalized the program, working closely with the CAES organizers. Jill Caviglia-Harris has posted the final program on our website. (<http://www.narea.org/2008meeting/index.html>)

Jill again worked very hard to refine the on-line submission process that worked so well the first time last year.

The workshop on Domestic and International Agricultural Policy, chaired by Barrett Kirwan, will be a pre-conference workshop instead of post-conference, to be held on Sunday, June 29.

The 2009 annual meeting will be held June 7-9 in Burlington, Vermont, at the Sheraton Hotel. The rates are a very reasonable \$105 per night, with free parking. Watch for the Fall Newsletter for further details on both the conference and workshop. Local arrangements chairs are Qingban Wang and Bob Parsons

Our awards have been determined, and are listed later in the newsletter. This year we expanded the number of graduate student travel grants to ten, and we have students from all over the country attending.

I would like to thank the committees for their work in selecting the awards. The committee chairs are Rigoberto Lopez for the Thesis Awards; Lori Lynch and

Wes Musser for the Outstanding ARER Paper Award; George Criner for Distinguished Member Award; Harry Kaiser for the Outstanding Public Service Through Economics Award; and Lori Lynch for Graduate Student Travel Grants.

Our elections for President-Elect and two new Board positions were concluded, and the results are:

President-Elect: Jackie Geohegan
Board: Jeff Hyde and Kent Messer.

Congratulations, and thank you very much for your willingness to serve NAREA. I would also like to thank all the candidates for your willingness to contribute to the association.

We also have a new government representative to the board, Will Wheeler of the EPA. He will replace Mike Roberts, who is moving to North Carolina State University.

We are in the market for a new industry representative. Bob Yonkers has been a committed representative for two terms, and is stepping down. If you have ideas for this position, please send them to me.

As this will be my last newsletter, I would like to reiterate what a pleasure it has been to work with such a supportive board and officers. In addition, we cannot function without the work of our several committees and the volunteer local arrangements chairs. We have a vibrant and dynamic organization because of the dedication of those people. The new President, Lori Lynch, will need to select new committees and chairs. Please volunteer to perform these vital tasks.

NAREA 2008 Awards

NAREA Graduate Student Travel Grants

Allison Borchers, University of Delaware
Mitsuko Chikasada, Penn State University
Gaurav Ghosh, Penn State University
Rob Freeman, University of Maine
Sarah Cline, University of Colorado
Sudiksha Joshi, West Virginia University
Siny Joseph, University of Massachusetts
Kristen Fantuzzi, University of Connecticut
Hui Su, West Virginia University
Micholas Magnan, University of California-Davis

NAREA 2007 Outstanding M.S. Thesis

Rebecca Cleary, University of Connecticut, Thesis Chair: Rigoberto Lopez.

Impact of Wal-Mart Supercenters on Incumbent's Pricing Conduct: The Case of the Dallas/Fort Worth Milk Market

Awards of Merit

Jonathon Dressler, Penn State University, Thesis Chair: Jeffrey Stokes.

Mortgage Termination and Risk Rating Migrations at Ag Choice Farm Credit

Shannon Rogers, University of New Hampshire, Thesis Chair: John Halstead.

Characterization of Public and Stakeholder Objectives in Environmental Management: The Application of Conjoint Analysis and Other Survey Tolls to the Management of the Lamprey River.

NAREA Outstanding Article of 2007 Award

Todd Metcalfe, Darrell J. Bosch, James W. Pease, Mark M. Alley, and Steve B. Phillips, Virginia Tech.

Yield Reserve Program Costs in the Virginia Coastal Plain

NAREA Distinguished Member Award

Dr. Robert J. Johnston, University of Connecticut Avery Point, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Associate Director, Connecticut Sea Grant College Program.

NAREA Award for Outstanding Public Service Through Economics

Walter J. Armbruster, President Emeritus, Farm Foundation.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

2008 Membership fees are now due. This year the Board has authorized 2 options: the annual dues are the same as in the past, \$25US regular and \$5US student; however, a new option for a 3 year membership is possible at a discounted price – \$65US for regular and \$10US for student. These options are also available through the AAEA website for those that pay in that manner.

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Please note any changes in postal or email addresses.

Dues may also be paid through the AAEA.

Memberships as of October, 2007: 407, including 258 regular, 55 student, 25 honorary, and 66 library.

Future Meetings

2009 Vermont
2010 New Jersey
2011 Massachusetts
2012 New York
2013 West Virginia
2014 Rhode Island
2015 Maine
2016 Pennsylvania
2017 Nova Scotia

2007-2008 Committee Membership

Executive Committee

President

Stephen M. Smith
Penn State University

President Elect

Lori Lynch
University of Maryland

Past President

Harry M. Kaiser
Cornell University

Secretary-Treasurer

Douglas E. Morris
University of New Hampshire

Editors

Titus Awokuse (2007-2009)
Joshua Duke (2007-2009)

Directors

Kathleen Bell (2008)
University of Maine

Jacqueline Geoghagen (2008)
Clark University

Robert Johnson (2009)
University of Connecticut at Avery Point

David Just (2009)
Cornell University

Cheryl Brown
West Virginia University (2010)

Jill Caviglia-Harris
Salisbury University (2010)

Government Representative

Will Wheeler
Environmental Protection Agency

Industry Representative

Robert Yonkers
International Dairy Foods Association

2008 Program Committee

Lori Lynch, President-Elect, Chair
University of Maryland

Stephen M Smith, President
Penn State University

Harry Kaiser, Past President
Cornell University

Douglas E. Morris, Secretary-Treasurer
University of New Hampshire

Jean-Philippe Gervais, Host Institution Representative
Université Laval

Distinguished and Honorary Life Member Awards

George K. Criner (2008), Chair
University of Maine

John Halstead (2009)
University of New Hampshire

Dan Lass (2009)
University of Massachusetts

Loren Tauer (2009)
Cornell University

Masters Thesis Awards

Rigoberto A. Lopez (2008), Chair
University of Connecticut

Ramu Govindasamy (2008)
Rutgers University

Steven Hastings (2008)
University of Delaware

Finance Committee

Harry M. Kaiser, Past-President, Chair
Cornell University

Todd Schmit
Cornell University

Audit Committee

Alberto Manalo, Chair
New Hampshire

Michael Sciabarrasi
New Hampshire

John Halstead
New Hampshire

Nominating Committee

Harry M. Kaiser, Past-President, Chair
Cornell University

Steve Smith, President
Penn State University

Lori Lynch, President-elect
University of Maryland

Membership Committee

Joshua Duke (2008), Chair
University of Delaware

Ken Bailey (2009)
Penn State University

Special Award Committee

Steve Smith (2008), President, Chair
Penn State

Qingbin Wang
University of Vermont

Select Papers and Symposia Committee

Lori Lynch, Chair
University of Maryland

Andreas Lange
University of Maryland

Wesley Musser
University of Maryland

Webmaster

Jill Caviglia-Harris
Salisbury University

Historian

John Mackenzie
University of Delaware

2008 Workshop Committee

Barrett Kirwan, Chair
University of Maryland

Bruce Gardner
University of Maryland

Ed Young
USDA, ERS

Hartley Furtan
University of Saskatchewan

Bruno Larue
Université Laval

Lori Lynch
University of Maryland

Ex Officio

Steve Smith, President
Penn State University

Harry Kaiser, Past-President
Cornell University

2009 Workshop Committee

Kent Messer
University of Delaware

Jim Murphy
University of Alaska Anchorage