

WAEA News Update

Update on Annual Meeting

The program for June's annual meeting in Colorado Spring, CO is nearly complete. There is still time to register for the meeting. Our annual board meeting will be held at 5:00 pm in the Heritage A&B room. The reception will begin at 7:00 pm in the Summit I & II room.

The opening session will start at 8:00 am on Monday, June 23th in the Heritage A&B room with a Presidential Address by Tom Marsh, entitled "Measuring Burden of Disease: The Role of Food and Agriculture." He will be followed by the Keynote Address, given by John Nielsen-Gammon. John will be speaking on "The Causes of Drought in the Southwestern United States."

The Business Meeting will be held at breakfast in the Heritage C room at 7:00 am on Tuesday, June 24th. The Awards program will be held at the noon lunch Tuesday in the Heritage C room.

I want to draw attention to our three graduate paper competition sessions. All three sessions will be in Heritage B and the first session will start at 10:30 am. We have 12 students vying to win the top prizes in this competition.

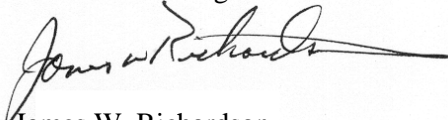
Our annual meeting is being held at the Antlers Hilton in Colorado Springs. The hotel is located in a new part of the city with many nearby restaurants and shopping opportunities. The meeting rooms are very nice and the venue will be just the right size for the WAEA. Room rates are \$139 per day. Be sure to indicate that you are with the WAEA meeting group. Reservations can be made by calling 719-955-5600 or FAX 719-955-5650, toll free at 866-299-4602, or online at <http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/colorado/antlers-hilton-colorado-springs-COSCSHF/about/index.html>

Registration for the Annual Meeting can be done on line at <http://www.waeaonline.org/> The registration fee for members is \$200, for non-members registration is \$300, and \$125 for students. Registrations after June 12th require an additional \$50.

Congratulations are due for all of our 2014 WAEA Award Recipients. All award winners are listed on the next page. Thanks to Kellie Raper and Jay Noel for chairing this year's awards committee, plus all the committee chairs and members for giving of their time in the review process.

Our president-elect, Tom Marsh, recently informed me that he is negotiating for our 2016 WAEA meeting in Vancouver, Washington.

The 2015 meeting will be with the AAEA in San Francisco, CA July 26-28, 2015.



James W. Richardson
WAEA President

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Important Dates

*2014 WAEA Annual Meeting,
Colorado Springs, CO
June 22-24, 2014*

*2014 AAEA Annual Meeting,
Minneapolis, Minnesota
July 27-29, 2014*

*2015 WAEA and AAEA joint
meeting San Francisco, CA
July 26-28, 2015*

2014 WAEA Award Recipients

Many thanks go to award chairs, Kellie Raper and Jay Noel and all the award committee chairs and members for their time and diligence in selecting the 2014 WAEA Award Recipients.

Distinguished Scholars

Francis Epplin, Oklahoma State University
Chennat Gopalakrishnan, University of Hawaii

Honorable Mention: **Jeremy Pagaran**, Arizona State University. "Innovative Insurance Products in Food Safety: Pricing Revenue Insurance in the Fresh Spinach Industry."

Major Professor: Mark Manfredo

Outstanding Published Research Award

Darlington Sabasi, Christopher T. Bastian, Dale Menkhaus, and Owen Phillips. "Committed Procurement in Privately Negotiated Markets: Evidence from Laboratory Markets." *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 95(5):1122-1135. 2013.

JARE Outstanding Journal Article Award

Chenguang Li and Richard J. Sexton. "Grocery-Retailer Pricing Behavior with Implications for Farmer Welfare" *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics*, Vol 38 No 2 (2013):141-158.

Outstanding Extension Program Award for Project

"The Oklahoma Quality Beef Network Team"
Eric DeVuyst, Damona Doye, Derrell Peel, Kellie Raper, Gant Mourer, David Lalman, Chris Richards, Megan Rolf, Daniel Stein, D.L. Step, Justin Talley

JARE Outstanding Reviewer Award

Jesse Tack, Mississippi State University

Undergraduate Teaching Award with Less Than Ten Years Experience

Dannele Peck, University of Wyoming

Graduate Travel Grant Recipients

Allison Bauman, Colorado State U.
Rebecca Davis, U. of Tennessee
Mahalingam Dhamodharan, U of Idaho
Gnel Gabrielyan, Washington State U.
Rosemary Isoto, Ohio State U.
Choong Kim, U. of Wyoming
Marzieh Motallebi, Colorado State U.
Zoe T. Plakias, UC Davis
Tristan D. Skolrud, Washington State U.
Yang Xie, UC, Berkeley

More Than Ten Years Experience

Marshall Frasier, Colorado State University

Outstanding Published Graduate Student or MS Thesis Award

Amy Hilland, University of Idaho. "Implications of the Yuan-Dollar Exchange Rate and Commodity Trade Between China, the United States, and Competitors."

Major Professor: Stephen Devadoss

2014 WAEA Award Committee Members

Special thanks to the Awards Committee Chairs and members.

Award Committee Chairs

Jay Noel, California Polytechnic State University
Kellie Raper, Oklahoma State University

Outstanding Published Research Award

Wade Brorsen (Chair), Oklahoma State University
Steve Koontz, Colorado State University
Jon Biermacher, The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation

Outstanding Extension Program Awards

David Anderson (Chair), Texas A&M University
Levi Russell, Texas A&M University
Steven Klose, Texas A&M University

Undergraduate Teaching Awards

Lynn Hamilton (Chair), California Polytechnic State University
Lindsey Higgins, California Polytechnic State University

Outstanding Published Graduate Student or MS Thesis Award

Gary Brester (Chair), Montana State University
Mykel Taylor, Kansas State University
Vicky Salin, Texas A&M University
Gregory McKee, North Dakota State University
Michael McCullough, California Polytechnic State University

Distinguished Scholar Award Selection Committee

Greg Perry (Chair), Colorado State University
Jug Capps, Texas A&M University
Doug Young, Washington State University
Bonnie Colby, University of Arizona
Lynn Hamilton, California Polytechnic State University
Gregory McKee, North Dakota State University
Dannele Peck, University of Wyoming

JARE Awards

Christopher McIntosh (Editor), University of Idaho
Larry Makus (Co-Editor), University of Idaho
Hayley Chouinard (Co-Editor), Washington State University
Gregmar Galinato (Co-Editor), Washington State University

WAEA Graduate Paper/Presentation Awards

Russell Tronstad (Chair), University of Arizona
Mechel Paggi, California State University-Fresno
Jeff Peterson, Kansas State University