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**About the 2009 Annual Meeting**

**69th Annual Meeting**

**January 31 to February 2, 2009**

SRASHS will meet in conjunction with the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientist (SAAS). The meetings will be held at the Weston Peachtree Plaza in downtown Atlanta. All sessions will be in the hotel, which should be very convenient. For more pre-conference information on hotels, transportation and attractions in Atlanta, go to the SAAS web site: http://saasinc.org/2009-Atlanta/09-MainPg.asp

**Early Hotel Registration Information**

For those that want to register early.

**The Westin Peachtree Plaza**

210 Peachtree Street, N.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303
Hotel Phone: 404-659-1400
Group Reservations: 1-800-937-8461

**Web site:**


**Nightly Room Rates:**

Single/Double $144, Triple/Quad $164.

**Reservations:**

Call toll free 1-800-937-8461. Ask for the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists group rate. Group rate deadline: January 16th for the period January 27th through February 6th.

**Other Information:**

Check in: 3:00 pm; Check out: Noon. No resort or service fee charge; $75.00 charge for early checkout date, unless arrangements are made. Cancellations must be 3 days prior to check-in date or a one-day fee will be charged. Complimentary high speed Internet access in sleeping rooms; local and 1-800 calls; access to health club and pool; and discount valet parking.

**Pre-Conference Newsletter**

The Pre-Conference Newsletter will be mailed in December. It will contain detailed information on meeting registration, lodging, transportation, local attractions, and the final program.

**Future Meetings Sites**

2010 - Orlando, FL
2011 Corpus Christi, TX
2012 Birmingham, AL

**Where to Get Forms**

The Southern Region web site (srashs.org) contains all needed forms.

- ACB Awards Nomination Forms
- Member Awards Nomination Forms
- Submit Paper Titles & Instructions
- Abstract Preparation Instructions
- Instructions to Section Chairs
- Submit Directory Information
- Dues
- Instructions to Judges
## Tentative Program at a Glance
*(Program Schedule as of July 28, 2008)*

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Call for Paper Titles – Sections

This is the formal request for titles of papers and posters to be presented in Sections. Titles must be submitted to the Section Chairs via email, properly formatted, and as a .doc or .rtf file, or in E-mail body.

**Deadlines:**
- October 15th - Authors submit titles to Section Chairs
- October 31st - Section Chairs submit a list of titles to the Secretary-Treasurer: via email, properly formatted, and as a .doc or .rtf file.

**Registration and Dues:** One of the authors must be registered for the conference, but the authors do not have to be dues paying members of SR-ASHS.

**Abstract Publication:** In order to publish abstracts, one of the authors must be an active member (i.e. current dues paid). Submit abstract as .doc or .rtf file to the Chair by the date of the session. For format, see the Abstract Preparation Form on the Southern Region Web Site (srashs.org).

If all authors have the same address, use the following format for Paper Titles:
Identification of the Compounds Contributing to Antioxidant Activity in Specialty Potatoes (*Solanum tuberosum* L.). Lavanya Reddivari* and J.C. Miller, Jr., Department of Horticultural Sciences, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-2133. (lavanya@neo.tamu.edu)

If authors have separate addresses, use the following format for Paper Titles:
Molecular Marker Analysis of a Segregating Blackberry Population. Eric T. Stafne*, John R. Clark¹, and Kim S. Lewers², ¹, 316 Plant Science, Department of Horticulture, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701, ²USDA-ARS Fruit Lab., 10300 Baltimore Ave., Beltsville, MD 20705. (estafne@uark.edu)

*indicates the presenting author; list corresponding author’s email address at the end of the abstract.

Send Titles to Section Chairs

**Education Section**
Brian Kahn, Chair
Dept. Horticulture & Landscape Architecture
Oklahoma State University
360 Agriculture Hall
Stillwater, OK 74078-6027
brian.kahn@okstate.edu

**Extension Section**
David Lockwood, Chair
Dept. of Plant Sciences
University of Tennessee
252 EPS, 2431 Joe Johnson Drive
Knoxville TN 37996-4561
dlockwood@utk.edu

**Fruit Crops Section**
Eric Stafne, Chair
Dept. Horticulture & Landscape
Oklahoma State University
360 Agriculture Hall
Stillwater, OK 74078-6027
eric.t.stafne@okstate.edu

**Postharvest/Biotechnology Section**
Elizabeth Baldwin, Chair
ARS/USDA Citrus & Subtropic Prod. Lab.

**Floriculture, Oramentals and Turf Section**
Ed Bush, Chair
School of Plant, Environ. and Soil Sci.
Louisiana State University
137 J. C. Miller Hall
Baton Rouge, LA 70803-2120
ebush@agctr.lsu.edu

**Vegetables Crops Section**
Terry Kelley, Chair
Extension Horticulture
University of Georgia
P O Box 748
Tifton, GA 31793
wtkelley@uga.edu

**Poster Section**
Christine Coker, Chair
Coastal Research & Extension Center
Mississippi State University
1815 Popps Ferry Road
Biloxi, MS 39532
ccoker@ra.msstate.edu
Call for Paper Titles – Student Paper Competitions

This is the formal request for titles of papers and posters to be presented in the undergraduate and graduate student paper and poster competitions. Titles must be submitted to the Section Chairs via email, properly formatted, and as a .doc or .rtf file, or in E-mail body.

**Deadlines:**
- October 15th - Authors submit titles to Section Chairs
- October 31st - Section Chairs submit to the Secretary-Treasurer as list of titles: via email, properly formatted, and as a .doc or .rtf file.

**Registration and Dues:** One of the authors must be registered for the conference, but the authors do not have to be dues paying members of SR-ASHS.

**Abstract Publication:** In order to publish abstracts, one of the authors must be an active member (i.e. current dues paid). Submit abstract as .doc or .rtf file to the Chair by the date of the session. For format, see the Abstract Preparation Form on the Southern Region Web Site (srashs.org).

**Awards:** The top papers and posters are presented awards as detailed in the Awards section.

If all authors have the same address, use the following format for Paper Titles:

**Identification of the Compounds Contributing to Antioxidant Activity in Specialty Potatoes (Solanum tuberosum L.).** Lavanya Reddivari* and J.C. Miller, Jr., Department of Horticultural Sciences, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-2133.  (lavanya@neo.tamu.edu)

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**Molecular Marker Analysis of a Segregating Blackberry Population.** Eric T. Stafne\(^1\)*, John R. Clark\(^1\), and Kim S. Lewers\(^2\), \(^3\)16 Plant Science, Department of Horticulture, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701, \(^1\)USDA-ARS Fruit Lab., 10300 Baltimore Ave., Beltsville, MD 20705.  (estafne@uark.edu)

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Send Titles to the Section Chairs

**Undergraduate Student Paper Competition**
Only two papers in competition per student club or department

**J.B. Edmond Undergraduate Student Paper Competition.**
Mike Arnold, Chair
Dept. Horticultural Sciences
Texas A&M University
College Station, TX 77843-2133
ma-arnold@tamu.edu

**Undergraduate and Graduate Student Poster Competition**
There is no limit on the number of student posters per department or university.

**National Cowpea Improvement Association Poster Awards**
Christine Coker, Chair
Coastal Research & Extension Center
Mississippi State University
1815 Popps Ferry Road
Biloxi, MS 39532
ccoker@ra.msstate.edu

**Graduate Student Paper Competition**
There is no limit on the number of student papers per department or university. Students may give their paper again in the Commodity Sections; send title to the appropriate Section Chair.

**Norman F. Childers M.S. Graduate Student Paper Competition**
Jim Ballington, Chair and President-Elect
Dept. of Horticulture
North Carolina State University
Box 7609
Raleigh, NC 27695-7609
jim_ballington@ncsu.edu

**Warren S. Barham Ph.D. Graduate Student Paper Competition**
Jim Ballington, Chair and President-Elect
Dept. of Horticulture
North Carolina State University
Box 7609
Raleigh, NC 27695-7609
jim_ballington@ncsu.edu
Working Group Sessions

The following Working Groups will meet at the annual meeting. Information about the sessions can be obtained by contacting the respective Working Group Chair. If you have agenda items, topics, papers titles, etc. that you would like to present, contact the respective Working Group Chair.

All participants in the Working Groups must register for the meeting. Persons presenting papers in these Working Group Sessions that desire to have their abstract published in *HortScience* with the abstracts of papers presented in Sections must be active members (i.e. current dues paid). Abstracts are to be sent directly to the appropriate the Chair of the most closely related Section.

Send Agenda items, etc. to the Working Group Chairs

**Horticulture Administrators**
David Williams, Chair
Dept. of Horticulture
Auburn University
101 Funchess Hall
Auburn, AL 36869
willi09@auburn.edu

**Pecan Research & Extension Forum**
Lenny Wells, Chair
University of Georgia RDC
P O Box 1209
Tifton, GA 31793
lwells@uga.edu

**Southern Blueberry/Small Fruit Workers**
Joe Masabni, Chair
Dept. Horticultural Sciences
Texas A&M University
College Station, TX 77843-2133
jmasabni@ag.tamu.edu

**Vigna Crop Germplasm Committee**
Richard L. Fery, Chair
U. S. Vegetable Laboratory
USDA-ARS
2700 Savannah Highway
Charleston, SC  29414-5334
richard.fery@ars.usda.gov

**Watermelon Research Group**
Steve King, Chair
Dept. of Horticultural Sciences
Texas A&M University
College Station, TX 778943-2133
srking@tamu.edu

**National Cowpea Improvement Association**
Bill Evans, Chair
Truck Crops Branch Experiment Station
Mississippi State University
PO Box 231
Crystal Springs, MS 39059-0231
wbe@ra.msstate.edu

**National Sweet Potato Colaborators**
Zvesdana Pesic-VanEsbroeck, Chair
Dept. Planht Pathology
North Carolina State Univ.
Campus Box 7616
Raleigh, NC 27695-7616
zvezdana_pesic@ncsu.edu

**Cucurbit Crop Germplasm Committee**
James D. McCreight, Chair
USDA, ARS
1636 E. Alisal St.
Salinas, CA  93905
jmccreight@pw.ars.usda.gov

**NOTE:**
The following Working Group will not meet at the Southern Region Meetings in Atlanta.

**Southern Region Small Fruit Consortium**
Thomas J. Monaco, Chair
College of Agriculture & Life Sciences
North Carolina State University
Box 7609
Raleigh, NC 27695-7609
tom_monaco@ncsu.edu
Call for Nominations for Student Awards

Student Paper and Poster Awards
Submit to Chair: Submit paper titles to the respective Chairs listed in the Call for Paper Titles – Student Paper Competitions

ACB Club and Club Member Awards
Requirements: see below for each award
Submit to Advisor: Mail or e-mail Nominations to ACB Faculty Advisor listed below
Nomination Form: Download Outstanding Club Award and Hammett Outstanding Club Member Award forms from the Southern Region web site: srashs.org
Deadlines: October 15th - Nomination packet submitted to the ACB Faculty Advisor
December 15th - ACB Faculty Advisor submits recipients to Secretary-Treasurer

Judging Contest Awards
Judging Contest Awards are determined at the meetings.

Student Paper Awards

J.B. Edmond
Undergraduate Student Paper Awards
Awards are given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners reporting original research by undergraduate students. The awards are certificates and checks for $300, $200 and $100 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, respectively. The award is funded by the J.B. Edmond Undergraduate Student Paper Endowment.

Norman F. Childers
M.S. Graduate Student Paper Awards
Awards are given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners reporting original research by M.S. students. The awards are certificates and checks for $300, $200 and $100 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, respectively. The award is sponsored by Dr. Norman F. Childers.

Warren S. Barham
Ph.D. Graduate Student Paper Awards
Awards are given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners reporting original research by Ph.D. students. The awards are certificates and checks for $300, $200 and $100 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, respectively. The award is sponsored by Dr. Warren S. Barham Endowment.

National Cowpea Improvement Association Poster Awards
One award is given for the best undergraduate student poster and one for the best graduate student poster. The awards are certificates and $100 for undergraduate and graduate poster. The award is sponsored by the National Cowpea Improvement Association.

Association of Collegiate Branch Awards

Outstanding Club Award
Awards are given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ACB Clubs (active dues paid clubs) based on the club’s activity record for the previous academic year. The awards are certificates and checks for $150, $100 and $50 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, respectively.

Hammett Memorial Award for Outstanding Association of Collegiate Branch Member
The award is given to the student judged to be the Outstanding ACB Club Member. The award consists of a plaque.

J. Benton Storey Undergraduate Student Horticulture Judging Contest
Awards are given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place clubs and individuals in each commodity category. Only one team per ACB club or department may compete for awards. The ACB club must have current dues paid, and all student competitors must be registered for the current meeting. Individual students may judge as space allows. Clubs sign-up to compete at the meeting. If possible, clubs that plan on competing should notify the ACB Faculty Advisor prior to the meeting. The award consists of certificates. The contest is sponsored by Dr. J. Benton Storey.

Send Nominations to ACB Faculty Advisor
Leo Lombardini, ACBAdvisor
Dept. of Horticultural Sciences
Texas A&M University
College Station, TX 77843-2133
l-lombardini@tamu.edu
Call for Nominations for Member Awards

Requirements: see below for each award
Submit to Chair: Mail or e-mail Nominations to Awards Chair listed below
Nomination Form: Download Nomination Forms from the Southern Region web site: srashs.org
Deadlines: October 15th - Nominations submitted to Award Chairs
December 15th - Award Chairs submits recipients to Secretary-Treasurer

J. Creighton Miller, Jr. Distinguished Educator Award
The award recognizes outstanding teaching.
Requirements: (1) active member in good standing in SR-ASHS; (2) classroom teaching and advising for 10 or more years, with primary emphasis in undergraduate teaching; (3) substantial portion of effort in teaching regardless of appointment; (4) nominations are limited to one per institution; and (5) not a previous recipient (or of L.M. Ware Teaching Award). The award consists of a plaque and a check for $200. The award is endowed by Dr. Jeannie P. Miller, wife of Dr. Miller. Formerly (pre-2006) the L.M. Ware Teaching Award.
Send nominations to:
James Gibson, Chair
Quality Control/Technical Services
Fafard, Inc
1471 Amity Road
Anderson, SC 29621
jamie.gibson@fafard.com

Julian C. Miller, Sr. Distinguished Research Award
The award recognizes outstanding research.
Requirements: (1) active member in good standing in SR-ASHS; (2) outstanding record in research on one or more horticultural crops and in one or more areas of horticultural research for a period of 10 or more years; (3) substantial portion of effort in research regardless of appointment; (4) nominations are limited to one per institution; and (5) not a previous recipient (or of L.M. Ware Research Award). The award consists of a plaque and a check for $200. The award is endowed by Dr. J. Creighton Miller, Jr. in memory of his father. Formerly (pre-2006) the L.M. Ware Research Award.
Send nominations to:
Patricia Knight, Chair
South Mississippi Branch Station
Mississippi State University
P O Box 193
Poplarville, MS 39470
tricia@ra.msstate.edu

Krezdorn Award for Excellence in Doctoral Research and Writing
The award is presented in recognition of the best paper developed from doctoral research.
Requirements: (1) active member in good standing in SR-ASHS; (2) doctoral research completed at a university in the Southern Region; (3) one paper per senior author and submitted only once; (4) submitted prior to awarding degree and up to 18 months after completion of degree; (5) in format of Journal of the American Society for Horticultural Science or HortScience. The award consists of a plaque and a check for $200. The award was endowed by the late Dr. Alfred Krezdorn.
Send nominations to:
Teddy Morelock, Chair
Dept. of Horticulture
University of Arkansas
316 Plant Sci. Bldg
Fayetteville, AR 72701
morelock@uark.edu

Paul Smeal Leadership and Administration Award
Presented in recognition of outstanding leadership and administration which contributes to the progress of professional horticulture.
Requirements: (1) active member in good standing in SR-ASHS; (2) active administrator and leader as Department Chair or Head, or College or University administrator at a University in the Southern Region; (3) not a member of the selection committee.
Send nominations to:
David Reed, Chair
Dept. of Horticulture
Texas A&M University
College Station, TX 77843
dwreed@tamu.edu

**Henry M. Covington Extension Award**
The award is in recognition of outstanding and valuable contributions to horticulture by an Extension Horticulturist.

**Requirements:**
1) active member in good standing in SR-ASHS; (2) minimum 5 years experience as an extension agent or specialist; (3) minimum 60% extension appointment; (4) not a member of the selection committee; (5) not a previous recipient or any other Region award this year. The award is endowed by the late Dr. Henry Covington and his wife. The award consists of a plaque and a check for $200.

**Send nominations to:**
Jonathan Schulthesis, Chair  
Dept. of Horticulture  
North Carolina State University  
Box 7609  
Raleigh, NC 27695-7609  
jonathan_schultheis@ncsu.edu

**Extension Communications Awards**
Presented in recognition of outstanding contribution to the understanding of horticultural subjects in written, video, audio and electronic form.

**Requirements:**
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