2012 Fall Newsletter
Call for Paper Titles and Award Nominations

Southern Region
American Society for Horticultural Science

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About the 2013 Annual Meeting
73rd Annual Meeting
Orlando, FL
February 2-5, 2013
SRASHS will meet in conjunction with the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientist (SAAS). The 2013 SAAS Convention will be held in Orlando, FL February 2-5, 2013 at the Wyndham Orlando. For more pre-conference information go to:

http://saasinc.org/2013-Orlando/Welcome.asp

Early Hotel Registration Information

For those who want to register early.

Wyndham Orlando Resort
8001 International Drive
Orlando, FL 32819
Phone: 407-351-2420
Reservations: 1-800-421-8001

Web site:

Group rates
$149 single,double
$169 triple/quad
Deadline to register at group rate: Jan. 11, 2013, 5 PM

Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-421-8011. Identify yourself as part of the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists to receive the group rate. All reservations are held for late arrival; however, any guaranteed reservations that fail to arrive will result in a charge of room and tax.

Cancellations will be accepted up to 72 hours prior to arrival date.

Group rate benefits:
There will be no resort fee charged. Included in the group rate are 24 hour access to the health club, no charge for local and 800# calls, self-parking, USA newspaper, pool concierge services, in-room safe, and in-room coffee and tea. Hotel website - not to be used for group rates.

Check in is 4:00 pm - Check out is 11:00 am

Wyndham ByRequest
As a Wyndham Rewards with ByRequest member, your stay will be personalized. You will automatically receive welcome level benefits, including:

• Free Internet access (wired, not wireless)
• FYI--This is included in the SAAS group rate.

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• Expedited check-in
• Free domestic long-distance calls
• Online access to hotel receipts, etc.
Join now and customize your next stay.

Airport Information
Hotel is approx. 16 miles from Orlando International Airport (MCO).

According to the Orlando Airport website, transportation is available to/from hotels on International Drive as follows:

Local bus (Lynx) - Route #42 - cost per person is $2 one way - correct change only - approximately 1 hour from airport to hotel (see Lynx site for more info)

Shuttle Van - cost per person is $19 one way and $30 round trip - approx. 20-40 min from airport to hotel depending on other hotel stops

Taxi - $33-39 one way - approx. 20 minutes from airport to hotel
Taxis charge per group, not per person, so consider using a taxi if you are traveling with two or more people. It may save you money.

Discount Tickets
The SAAS web site has discount tickets for Orlando area attractions.
http://saasinc.org/2013-Orlando/Welcome.asp

Pre-Conference Newsletter
The Pre-Conference Newsletter will be emailed in December. It will contain detailed information on meeting registration, lodging, transportation, local attractions, and the final program. Hard copies will be distributed at the meetings.

Future Meetings Sites
2014 Dallas, TX
2015 Atlanta, GA
2016 Jacksonville, FL
2017 Mobile, AL

Where to Get All Needed Forms
The Southern Region web site: srashs.org
• ACB Awards Nomination Forms
• Member Awards Nomination Forms
• Submit Paper Titles & Instructions
• Abstract Preparation Instructions
• Instructions to Section Chairs
• Submit Directory Information
• Dues Form
• Instructions to Judges

Southern Region Dues
ASHS Headquarters collects and manages dues for the Southern Region. Dues can be paid with your yearly ASHS membership or through the ASHS Online Store at http://shop.ashs.org/home.php. Dues can also be paid at the annual meetings. Dues are $30. Notice: Dues must be paid to be elected to an office or to receive an award.
## Tentative 2013 Program-at-a-Glance

**Wyndham Orlando Resort**

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Call for Paper Titles – Sections

Deadlines:  November 1 - Authors emails formatted titles as .doc or .rtf files to Section Chairs.
          December 1 - Section Chairs email to the Secretary-Treasurer complete list of all titles, via email,
                         properly formatted, and as one .doc or .rtf file.

Submission of Paper Title and Presentation of Paper: One of the authors must be registered for the conference
(SR-ASHS or one of the other societies and SAAS); 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 registered for the SRASHS
conference, the title must appear in the Conference Program, and the paper/poster must be presented at the
conference. No-shows will not be published. Abstracts must be submitted as a .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. Stafne1*, John R. Clark1, and
Kim S. Lewers2, 1316 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

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Clemson, SC 296340375
dlayne@clemson.edu

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1111 Miller Plant Sciences

Floriculture, Ornamentals and Turf Section
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cgunter@ncsu.edu

Poster Section
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University of Georgia
CAES Griffin Campus
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Griffin, GA 30223-1797
bpennisi@uga.edu
Call for Paper Titles – Student Paper Competitions

**Deadlines:**
- November 1: Authors emails formatted titles as .doc or .rtf files to Section Chairs.
- December 1: Section Chairs email to the Secretary-Treasurer complete list of all titles, via email, properly formatted, and as one .doc or .rtf file...

**Submission of Paper Title and Presentation of Paper:** One of the authors must be registered for the conference (SR-ASHS or one of the other societies and SAAS); 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 registered for the SRASHS conference, the title must appear in the Conference Program, and the paper/poster must be presented at the conference. No-shows will not be published. Abstracts must be submitted as a .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 (srashes.org).

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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.**
John Clark, Chair
Dept. of Horticulture
University of Arkansas
316 Plant Science Bldg.
Fayetteville, AR 72701-1021
jrclark@uark.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**
Bodi Pennisi, Chair
Horticulture Department
University of Georgia
CAES Griffin Campus
1109 Experiment Street
Griffin, GA 30223-1797
bpennisi@uga.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 (contact to the appropriate Section Chair).

**Norman F. Childers M.S. Graduate Student Paper Competition**
and

**Warren S. Barham Ph.D. Graduate Student Paper Competition**
Curt Rom, Chair
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University of Arkansas
316 Plant Science Bldg.
Fayetteville, AR 72701-1021
crom@uark.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.

**Registration:** All participants in the Working Groups must register for the SR-ASHS meeting.

**Abstract Publication:** In order to publish abstracts presented in the Working Group Sessions, one of the authors must be registered for the SRASHS conference, the title must appear in the Conference Program, and the paper/poster must be presented at the conference by one of the authors. No-shows will not be published. Abstracts must be submitted as a .doc or .rtf file to the Chair of the most closely related Section by the date of the session. For format, see the Abstract Preparation Form on the Southern Region Web Site (srashs.org). A group of abstracts may be submitted from one Working Group Session, and they can be published as a block with a sub-heading under of the most closely related Section.

**Deadlines:** December 1: Working Group Chairs email to the Secretary-Treasurer a complete list of all titles, agenda items, etc. properly formatted, and as one .doc or .rtf file.

Send Agenda items, paper titles, etc. to the Working Group Chairs

**Horticulture Administrators**  
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wmacKay@ufl.edu

**Pecan Research & Extension Forum**  
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The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundations  
2510 Sam Noble Parkway  
Ardmore, OK 73401  
trohla@noble.org

**Southern Blueberry/Small Fruit Workers**  
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roy.pittman@ars.usda.gov

**Watermelon Research Group**  
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**National Cowpea Improvement Association**  
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john@ctsmithco.com

**National Sweet Potato Collaborators**  
Arnold Caylor  
North Alabama Horticulture Research Center  
Auburn University  
765 County Road 1466  
Cullman, AL 35056  
cayloaw@auburn.edu

**Sweetpotato SCRI Project**  
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130 Sweet Potato Road  
Chase, LA 71324  
tsmith@agcenter.lsu.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: November 1 - Nomination packet submitted to the ACB Faculty Advisor
December 15 - 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
Jeff Adkins, ACB Advisor
Dept. of Agriculture
Stephen F. Austin State University
PO Box 13000
Nacogdoches, TX 75962
adkinsja@sfasu.edu
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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: November 1 - Nominations submitted to Award Chairs
December 15 - 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.
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Lubbock, TX 79410
cynthia.mckenney@ttu.edu

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:
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USDA-ARS
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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:
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dennis_werner@ncsu.edu

Paul Smeal Leadership and Administration Award
The award is 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; or administrators of horticultural units, such as Universities, USDA stations, botanical gardens, arboreta, etc, with a minimum of 6 faculty equivalent positions in horticulture. (3) not a member of the selection committee.
Send nominations to:
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Cary, NC 27511
jim_ballington@ncsu.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. 

**Send nominations to:**
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Oklahoma State University 
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Stillwater, OK 74078 
lynn.brandenberger@okstate.edu

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**John E. Hutchison Extension Award for Young Professionals**
The award is presented in recognition of outstanding service by a young Extension Worker.

**Requirements:**
1) active member in good standing in SR-ASHS for at least two years; 
2) person must be 35 years or younger on December 31 on year of nomination or 5 or less years in continuous extension experience; 
3) greater than 50 percent extension appointment in horticulture (city, county, area, or state). 
The award consists of a $200 award and a plaque. 
The award is sponsored by the Texas Pecan Growers Association.

**Send nominations to:**
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**Extension Communications Awards**
The award is presented in recognition of outstanding contribution to the understanding of horticultural subjects in written, video, audio and electronic form.

**Requirements:**
1) senior author must be active member in good standing in SR-ASHS; 
2) one publication per author; 
3) entry may be submitted by the author(s) themselves or by SR-ASHS members on behalf of the authors; 
4) entry should have been prepared within the past two years; 
5) submit three copies of the entry, and 
6) a completed Extension Communication Entry Form. 

Copies of entries will not be returned, but can be claimed at registration desk at the next annual meeting. 
The award consists of a Blue Ribbon Certificate.

**Send nominations to:**
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Check one per Category (except Executive Committee where you vote for two)

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(Will preside over 2015 meeting)
_____ Wayne Mackay (University of Florida)
_____ Gary Bachman (Mississippi State University)

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