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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Oscar Liburd

Greetings,

We are in the final stage of making arrangements for the 2009 annual meeting of the Florida Entomological Society (FES), which is scheduled to take place from July 26 - 29th at the Sanibel Harbour Resort and Spa in Fort Myers, Florida. The Sanibel Harbor Resort and Spa is a picturesque hotel with scenic surroundings. We have negotiated a fairly inexpensive rate of \$135 per night (see page 3 for more details). We have planned a full program consisting of two exciting workshops and four symposia, which will cover areas from urban, agricultural, turf and ornamental, and behavior and systematic entomology. The workshop and symposium organizers have indicated that participants are in for a treat at this year's meeting. We are encouraging meeting attendees to pre-register early to save a few dollars. Individuals, including students who plan to present a paper or poster at the FES meeting and are not part of a symposium or workshop, should submit their titles to Scott Furgerson at scott@atoconsult.com by Monday June 15th. Symposium participants should submit their titles to the symposium organizers by Friday June 5th. The symposium organizers should submit the full symposium with speaker names, titles and time allotted for each presentation to Scott Furgerson by Monday June 15th.

Under the able leadership of editor Jim Nation, the Florida Entomologist has continued to produce substantial revenues for FES and enjoyed high author satisfaction, as shown by increasing numbers of submissions. However, during the past 10 years FES has lost more than one-third of its membership. Starting in 2006, membership stabilized and even increased slightly in 2008. Student participation from the University of Florida has been consistent. One of my

goals for the 2008-2009 year was to increase students' participation from other Universities and Colleges within the state of Florida. Subsequently, I extended invitations to college and university students from around the state to become more involved with the FES society. We have received positive responses from students from Florida State University (FSU), Florida A & M University (FAMU) and New College of Florida (NCF) who would like to become the FES representative for their institutions. Some of these students will be joining us for our next executive board meeting that is scheduled for May.

A second objective was to revive our Long-Range and Caribbean committees in order to plan for a Caribbean FES meeting in 2010 or 2011. Drs. Howard Frank (Long-Range committee), Steve Lapointe (Caribbean committee), along with Teresa DuChene have been working with representatives from the Dominican Republic to determine the possibility of hosting a meeting there in 2010. I can report that much progress has been made and a decision in hosting our 2010 meeting in the Dominican Republic should be reached within the next 6 months.

My final objective was to continue filling appointments to committees, which was started by our former President, Dr. Robert Meagher. I am happy to report that Dr. Richard Mankin will replace Dr. Howard Frank as Chair of the Long Range Planning committee, beginning August 1, 2009. Dr. Frank will continue to serve on the committee. As far as the fiscal committee is concerned, Dr. Robert Meagher has gotten approval to serve on the Fiscal committee, along with Drs. Jim Nation and Howard Frank. We are asking for volunteers who would like to serve with Jennifer Gillet-Kaufman, Chair of the Public Relations committee.

So once again, please mark your calendar for July 26 - 29th to attend our annual meeting at the Sanibel Harbor Resort and Spa in Fort Myers, Florida.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The edited minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held October 22, 2008 at the USDA-ARS in Gainesville, Florida are as follows:

Business Manager Report (T. DuChene): Total balance of funds and account transfers were discussed. The Annual Meeting lost \$5,876. This is within the usual margin. Membership totals were listed. Dues, meeting, and the journal are broken out as individual departments.

Student Activities (D. Hahn): Support by FES for student travel to ESA meetings, and its allocation, were discussed. Further support for student travel to the ESA meetings is requested, if affordable. At least \$1,000 was requested. A discussion of the pros and cons of supporting another society's meetings ensued. A motion for a \$2,000 increase was made and passed unanimously.

Florida Entomologist publication: Possible use of PubMed Central (PMC) (T. Walker): In the past, PMC has not been compatible with the BioOne format, so the Florida Entomologist did not join with PMC. Now PMC can use the upgraded BioOne format, so joining is recommended. The exposure is excellent-better than almost any other venue due to free access.

Long Range Planning (H. Frank): For a Caribbean Conference, three of the big Caribbean islands may be conducive and able to house entomologists. The LRP committee is also in charge of fostering relations with other scientific and technical organizations. Possibilities: The Center for Systematic Entomology, which publishes Entomundi; the Tropical Lepidoptera Society, which publishes the Journal of Lepidoptera Research; and the Coleoptera Society, with common FES members in Florida. Collaborative symposia are also possible at FES meetings. Current membership: H. Frank, C. Vazquez, N. Leppla, R. Mankin, S. Lapointe.

Public Relations (J. Gillett-Kaufman): In order to attract larger numbers for the annual meeting, she will need workshop information months before the meeting.

Publications (J. Nation): BioOne will require a new citation format in 2009; see the FES website for

the format. A paper hardcopy is no longer needed; submission by email or CD is acceptable.

Computer Resources (R. Mankin): The website has been updated, with guidelines, photos, details on the changes to the Florida Entomologist format, etc.

Historian/Necrologist (H. Weems): A new committee chair is needed.

Operating Guidelines & By-Laws (R. Meagher): An updated version is now on the website.

FIRST CALL FOR OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The FES Nominations Committee invites you to nominate individuals for the following positions for 2009-2010:

- (a) Member at large, and
- (b) Vice President

By tradition, we rotate Vice President among 1) Academia, 2) Federal and State Government, and 3) Industry. This year the rotation is for Academia.

Executive Committee offices:

Member-at-Large _____

Vice-President _____

The Nominations Committee will put together a final nominations list. An election ballot will be printed in the May/June Newsletter. Winners will be announced at the Annual Meeting in July during the Business Meeting.

Please email your nominations (feel free to nominate yourself) to:

Rob Meagher
1700 SW 23rd Drive
Gainesville, FL 32608
352-374-5756
Email: rmeagherjr@juno.com

Annual Meeting

92nd ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

July 26-29 2009

Sanibel Harbour Resort & Spa
17260 Harbour Pointe Drive
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Reservations: 800-767-7777

<http://www.sanibel-resort.com>

Hotel Room **Registration Deadline** is
July 11, 2009

Roomrates:

Guestrooms: \$135/day

Guest suites: \$175

2-Bedroom condo: \$250

Pre-registration form on page 7

For annual meeting updates visit: www.flaentsoc.org

FIRST CALL FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS

Hello,

After you read this, take some time from your busy schedule and think about your fellow coworkers for several minutes. Many of them are deserving of recognition for their expertise in the various fields of entomology. You can recognize valued coworkers by nominating them for an award. Remember, our society gathers strength from the service provided by our members. A listing of past winners can be found on the FES website at: <http://www.flaentsoc.org/archives.htm#commmemb>. Then click on '2008 Revisions to Guidelines/Awards Lists' and go to page 76 of this document.

Thanks!
Chris

Nominate someone today for the following awards:

- 1) Entomologist-of-the-Year
- 2) Annual Achievement Award for Teaching in Higher Education
- 3) Annual Achievement Award for Teaching in K-12
- 4) Annual Achievement Award for Research
- 5) Annual Achievement Award for Extension
- 6) Annual Achievement Award for Industry
- 7) Annual Achievement Award for Research Teams, Laboratories, or Agencies, etc.
- 8) Annual Achievement Award for Regulatory Entomology
- 9) Certificates of Appreciation for Special Service to the Society

To nominate an individual or group, please provide:

- 1) Name(s) and address(es) of nominee(s).
- 2) Category of nomination.
- 3) Description of present employment including position.
- 4) Specific contribution to the profession of entomology, science, the community or FES.
- 5) The name, address, and telephone number of the individual submitting the nomination.

Please limit the nomination to a maximum of two pages.

Nominations maybe mailed, e-mailed, or FAXed by **June 10, 2009** to:

Christopher Tipping
Delaware Valley College
700 East Butler Avenue
Doylestown, PA 18901
Office: (215) 489-2449
Fax: (215) 489-4960
Email: Christopher.Tipping@delval.edu

STUDENT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

A competition for the best M.S and Ph.D. student paper will be held at the upcoming 92nd Annual Meeting of the Florida Entomological Society, **July 26-29 2009**, at the Sanibel Harbour Resort and Spa in Ft. Myers, FL. Awards of \$175, \$150, and \$125 will be made to the first, second and third place papers of each category, respectively. Students wishing to present a paper in the student paper competition must be current members of the Florida Entomological Society. Students should submit a paper title and abstract using the submitted paper form found on page 6. Indicate that the submission is for the student competition. Papers should be **10 minutes long** with 2 minutes allowed for questions. The judging criteria are as follows:

Organization (20 points) - sequence of topics logical and effective; introduction, body of talk (material and methods, results), and conclusions coherent; time well used.

Subject matter (30 points) – establishment of hypothesis and objectives, appropriate methods to accomplish objectives, conclusions based solely on results and avoidance of repetition of results.

Relevance of Research (15 points) – importance of subject matter to the field of entomology, proper justification of hypothesis, important questions addressed.

Delivery (15 points) - poise, audibility, expression, eye contact, use of pointer.

Visual aids (10 points) - appropriate for subject matter, legible, eye-appealing.

Handling questions (10 points) – questions made clear to audience; concise answers to questions, logical and appropriate.

Conforming to time constraints (maximum of 8 penalty points; 1 point for each 15 seconds overtime or 30 seconds undertime).

SCHOLARSHIPS, MINIGRANTS AND TRAVEL GRANTS

Each year the Florida Entomological Society presents three scholarships and four minigrants to student members at the Annual Meeting. Travel grants are also awarded at the meeting. **All student information in packets should be submitted via e-mail as a SINGLE PDF document!** Letters of recommendation should come via e-mail under separate cover. The format for applying for each of the Florida Entomological Society-sponsored awards are as follows:

Scholarships - The Florida Entomological Society will award three \$500 scholarships to students majoring in entomology or a related discipline. The application requirements are:

1. The student must be a current member of the Florida Entomological Society and a full-time student with at least one year remaining in his or her degree program. Applications from undergraduate students will be considered.
2. The application should include:
 - a. A letter from the applicant, stating his or her future plans in the field of entomology.
 - b. A curriculum vitae.
 - c. Letters of recommendation from two faculty members.
 - d. Transcripts.

Minigrants - The Florida Entomological Society will award four minigrants of \$250 each to student members for entomological research.

Applications should include:

1. A one-page description of the student's research (include name and contact information).
2. A list of the items with the final cost to be purchased.

Travel grants - The Florida Entomological Society allocates funds to assist students with the cost of attending the society's annual meeting. Students presenting posters and talks will have priority to receive these funds (Continued on page 5).

Applications should include:

1. A letter stating their purpose for attending the meeting (include name and contact information).
2. A budget including all potential sources of travel funds.

All applications should be sent via digital form no later than **June 10, 2009** and should be addressed to:

Dr. Dan Hahn,
Student Activities Committee Member,
E-mail: dahahn@ufl.edu

AUTHOR'S INSTRUCTIONS

All submitted papers, except student competition papers, should be 8 minutes long with 2 minutes for questions. Student competition papers are 10 minutes long with 2 minutes for questions. Posters should be no larger than 48" x 48". The deadline for submission of titles and abstracts is June 15, 2009. Titles and abstracts should be sent to Scott Ferguson (contact information on SUBMITTED PAPER FORM located on page 6).

Authors must submit as PowerPoint® presentations. A laptop computer (preloaded with presentations), a LCD projector, and a laser pointer will be provided for each session. **Please bring the presentation to the meeting (saved on a USB flashdrive or CD) and give to Wayne Hunter on Monday morning (July 27th).**

Symposium speakers should submit their presentations directly to their organizer.

For questions, contact:

Wayne Hunter
Local Arrangements Chair
Email: Wayne.Hunter@ars.usda.gov

Electronic copies of poster presentations may be submitted in pdf format to:

Richard Mankin
Email: rmankin@nersp.nerdc.ufl.edu

CALL FOR MEMBERS AND EVENTS

In the Newsletter, we would occasionally like to include information about FES members. Please refer to the requested items for each category and let your colleagues know what you have been up to lately. This information should be sent to Cara Vazquez.

1. Invitational talks, keynote speeches etc.: Speaker, organization, meeting, date, location and title of talk.
2. Honors & Awards: Recipient, title of award, given for and given by.
3. International Activities: Person, date, activity and funding source.
4. Grants/Contracts: Principal investigator(s), project title, funding source and project description.
5. Major Publications (Books, Monographs, Chapters) Authors, title and citation.
6. National or Branch Offices: Person, office held, organization and dates.
7. Moving up: Person on the move, old position, new position, location, date of change and responsibilities.
8. Visiting Entomologists: Visitor(s), visiting from, dates, purpose of visit, host and location.
9. On Leave: Person, new location, dates and activity.
10. Community Activities: Person, project description, organization, location and dates.

This newsletter is published irregularly between issues of the Journal of the Society, *The Florida Entomologist*. It is intended for the publication of subjects of interest to the members of the Florida Entomological Society. Articles, announcements, awards and other news about FES members are solicited from the membership and should be emailed to editor Cara Vazquez at cara.vazquez@scynexis.com

SUBMITTED PAPER FORM

- _____ Oral presentation
- _____ Poster Presentation
- _____ Symposium Participant

Student Paper:

- _____ M.S. Competition
- _____ Ph.D. Competition

Return to: Scott Ferguson
Program Chair, FES
2940 3rd Street SW
Vero Beach, FL 32968
Email: Scott@atoconsult.com
Phone: (772) 643-5658

DEADLINE: Monday June 15, 2009

(Please type or print)

Author's Name(s) (UNDERLINE Presenting Author):

Presenting author's contact information (for confirmation of paper's receipt);

Mailing address:

Email address:

Phone number:

Title of Paper:

Affiliation and address of the first (presenting) author:

Abstract (75 words or less):

Please complete and return this form for the **July 26-29 2009**

ANNUAL MEETING

Business Manager, Florida Entomological Society
P.O. Box 1007, Lutz, FL 33548-1007
Fax 813-979-4908

Save \$25.00 PRE-REGISTER BY FRIDAY July 03 (Payment may be made at the meeting). IT WILL SAVE MUCH TIME AND CONFUSION AT THE MEETING. NOTICE: On-site registration may not be guaranteed a luncheon ticket!

All attendees must wear lapel badges to be admitted to program sessions and award luncheon!

Badge to

read: _____

First name Last name _____

Affiliation City/State _____

Area of interest (1-2

words): _____

Free spouse badge (upon request) to

read: _____

REGISTRATION: Pre-registration must be *received* by Friday, July 3rd 2009

FOR ALL ATTENDEES (1) LUNCH TICKET GUARANTEE WITH PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY

Pre-registration \$140 _____ Bed Bug Workshop (includes box lunch) \$80 _____

On-site registration \$165 _____

NON-MEMBER (pre-registration/on-site) \$180 _____ Student

One Day registration (no lunch ticket) \$80 _____ Pre-registration \$35 _____

Turf & Ornamentals Workshop (no lunch) \$50 _____ On-Site \$35 _____

Honorary or Emeritus (must purchase luncheon ticket) _____

Additional Awards Luncheon Tickets: # of tickets x \$45= _____

Remember to download you program

Do you plan to attend the awards luncheon on Tuesday, July 28? Yes No _____

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Annual dues for 2009* Current member of FES Yes _____ No _____

Corporate \$250 _____

Regular \$40 **VISA/MASTERCARD ACCEPTED**

Student \$20

Sustaining \$100 Card # _____

Donations** \$ Signature _____

Total \$

Exp date _____

* New members please give full mailing address, telephone, fax and email.

**Donations are tax deductible. Donations can be unrestricted, or designated to specific causes such as student travel or awards.

IF A RECEIPT IS NEEDED, PLEASE COMPLETE FORM BELOW (receipts will be available at registration desk):

Received from: \$ _____

Registration: Annual dues for 2009:

Corporate \$250 _____

Pre-registration \$140 Regular \$40

On-site registration \$165 Student \$20

Non-Members \$180 _____

Student \$35 Sustaining \$100

Extra Lunch # ___ X \$45 _____ Donations \$

Workshop/One day \$80 _____

2 hour workshop \$50 _____ New Member _____

Total _____

Received by: Total \$