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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

John Sivinski

This is just a brief note to remind you of our upcoming annual meeting. As most of you know, this is to be one of our "International" meetings when we have an opportunity to interact with our colleagues in the Caribbean Basin. This year we meet in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Details about the program and the hotel will soon be on our website (www.flaentsoc.org). Dr. Pauline Lawrence of the University of Florida will be our Pioneer Lecturer, and there are symposia scheduled on Behavioral Ecology, Facing the Threat of Exotic Pest Invasion, Biological Control of Pests in Ornamental Plants in the Caribbean, Curculionidae of the Caribbean Region Important to Agriculture, and Preserving Our View of the Past: Protecting Historical Structures From Wood Destroying Insects. In addition there are Poster and Submitted Paper sessions, including a Spanish-language session devoted to Puerto Rican entomology. Papers will be presented on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. On Wednesday the society has organized tours of the El Yunque Caribbean National Forest, the colonial fortresses of San Cristobol and El Moro, and the University of Puerto Rico Botanical Gardens and Entomological Museum. If you want to go on one of these trips make sure you note your choice on the tour form.

Other news concerns the proposed modifications of our journal, the Florida Entomologist. The Executive Committee agreed to have a "dummy" of an upcoming issue prepared in the large, double column format I spoke of in an earlier newsletter. If it meets with the committee's approval, we can expect to see the new version fairly quickly. In addition to the size, there will be some changes to the cover and the Table of Contents, and it is not too late to send me your ideas about the appearance of the

Florida Entomologist and what sort of "face" the society should present to the world.

I hope to see you all in Puerto Rico!

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the Executive Committee Meeting of April 13, 1999 will appear in the next issue of the Newsletter. The next Executive Committee meeting will be held in conjunction with the annual meeting in Puerto Rico. Committee members are urged to attend and all members are welcome.

VOTE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

for new officers

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REGISTRATION FORMS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING IN PUERTO RICO

Meeting Registration Form on Page 2
Tour Registration Form on Page 3
(Pre-register for both by Monday, July 19th)

Hotel Registration Form on Page 5
(Cutoff for group rate is June 25th)

Annual Meeting Travel Logistics on Page 6

Please print, complete and return this form to:

Teresa DuChene, Business Manager
Florida Entomological Society
P.O. Box 1007
Lutz, FL 33548-1206

PRE-REGISTER BY MONDAY, JULY 19, 1999!
IT WILL SAVE MUCH TIME AND CONFUSION AT THE MEETING

All members must wear lapel badges to be admitted to program sessions.

Badge to Read: _____
(First Name) (Last Name)

(Affiliation) (City)

Area of Interest (1 or 2 words): _____

Free spouse badge (upon request) to read: _____

REGISTRATION: Pre-registration must be **received** by Monday, July 19th

Full/Sustaining (includes 1 luncheon ticket) Pre-registration \$100 ____
Full/Sustaining (includes 1 luncheon ticket) On site registration \$125 ____
Student (includes 1 luncheon ticket) \$30 ____
Honorary or Emeritus (must purchase luncheon ticket)

Do you plan to attend the awards luncheon on Tuesday, July 27th? Yes ____ No ____

Additional Awards Luncheon Tickets: # of tickets ____ x \$40 = \$ ____

Annual dues for 2000*

Regular \$ 40 ____ NO CREDIT CARD CHARGES
Student \$ 20 ____
Sustaining \$ 65 ____
Donations** \$ ____
Total \$ ____

Are you currently a member of the Florida Entomological Society? Yes ____ No ____

* New members please give full mailing address, telephone, fax & e-mail.

**Donations are tax deductible. Donations can be unrestricted, or can be designated to specific worthy 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 2000:
Pre-registration \$100 ____ Regular \$40 ____
On site registration \$125 ____ Student \$20 ____
Student \$30 ____ Sustaining \$65 ____
Donations \$ ____

Additional awards banquet tickets: ____ x \$40 = \$ ____

Received by: _____ Total \$ ____
The Florida Entomological Society

TOUR PRE-REGISTRATION FORM
ALL GROUP TOURS WILL OCCUR ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 28TH

TOUR NO. 1: *Rainforest tour (to 'El Yunque')*. This tour will depart from the Condado Plaza Hotel at 8:00 AM and will return at approx. 2:15 PM. The bus trip will take about an hour each way. English-speaking guides associated with the Caribbean National Forest will conduct a natural history tour of the rainforest. A stop also will be made at the Visitor Center for more information. Lunch will be available during a stop along the route at a typical Puerto Rican restaurant. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes and bring rain gear! The fare of **\$20 per person** includes RT transportation and admission to the Park (but not lunch). *Note:* Because of limitations imposed by the Caribbean National Forest, participation in this tour will necessarily be **limited to the FIRST 50 PERSONS** who preregister and send their check to the FES Business Office!

TOUR NO. 2: *Tour of 'San Cristobal' and 'El Morro' Forts in Old San Juan.* This tour will depart from the Condado Plaza Hotel at 8:15 AM and will return at approx. 1:15 PM. The bus trip will take about 15 minutes each way. This tour will discuss the history of the forts and termite control methods. It is a customized tour co-led by Dr. Nan Yao Su and Paul Ban (Univ. of Florida) and National Park Service staff. José Juan Bauza from Dow AgroSciences will be the local host. The fare will be **\$20 per person**, including admission to the forts.

TOUR NO. 3: *Tour of the University of Puerto Rico Botanical Gardens and the Entomological Museum.* This tour will depart from the Condado Plaza Hotel at 8:30 AM and will return at approx. 2:15 PM. The bus trip will take about 20 minutes each way. The group will be divided and will alternate visiting the Botanical Garden and the Entomological Museum. The fare will be **\$20 per person** (no meals will be included; lunch can be obtained on campus).

(Please cut reservation form below dotted line and submit to FES Business Office before July 19 to assure a reservation)

Tour no. 1: (El Yunque) Please reserve ___ ticket(s) @ \$20 each = _____ (check included)

Note: In case your request is received after Tour no. 1 is filled, please indicate whether you would like payment to be applied to either Tour no. 2 or 3, or whether you would like us to issue a refund: *Please apply to Tour no. 2 _____ / Please apply to Tour no. 3 _____ / Please issue refund _____*

Tour no. 2: (Fort Tour) Please reserve ___ ticket(s) @ \$20 each = \$_____ (check included).

Tour no. 3: (Univ. Puerto Rico) Please reserve ___ ticket(s) @ \$20 each = \$_____ (check included).

ALL GROUP TOURS WILL OCCUR ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 28TH

PLEASE BE SURE YOUR COMPLETED FORM AND CHECK REACH THE FES BUSINESS OFFICE BY MONDAY, JULY 19TH!

Mail to: Teresa DuChene - Business Manager, Florida Entomological Society
P.O. Box 1007, Lutz, FL 33548-1007

AUXILIARY TOURS:

No tours have been prearranged by FES other than the above, but Backstage Partners, Inc., an excellent Puerto Rican tour operator, is ready to assist in organizing groups (minimum of 6 persons) or in providing tours on an individual basis. It is suggested that anyone interested in learning more about tour options contact Backstage Partners by email at: back@coqui.net, or by telephone at (787) 748-9123, or by fax at (787) 763-0701. Backstage Partners has arranged several auxiliary tours that run concurrently with the annual meeting. Signup forms and details about these tours can be downloaded directly from the FES website at www.flaentsoc.org. The signup sheets for the auxiliary tours should be sent directly to Backstage Partners, Inc.

CANDIDATES FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Richard Mankin is a Research Entomologist at the USDA-ARS Center for Medical, Agricultural, and Veterinary Entomology, Gainesville, FL. He received a Ph.D. in Entomology from the University of Florida in 1979, a M.S. in Physics from UF in 1976, and a B.S. in Physics from New Mexico State University in 1970. His research presently focuses on development of acoustic technology for early detection of hidden insect infestations, e.g., in stored products, soil, or wood. Dr. Mankin has been active in professional and civic service in support of entomology, science education outreach, and EEO. He is Webmaster for the Florida Entomological Society, Chair of the Long Range Planning Committee, serves on the Education Committee, and was a previous chair of the Finance Committee. He serves on the External Advisory Council for the College of Engineering, Technology, and Agriculture at Florida A&M University, and also serves on the Board of the Florida Foundation for Future Scientists. He serves as Chair of the ARS South Atlantic Area and Gainesville location EEO Committees. He is President of the Foundation for Science and Disability, and serves as Chair of the Student Grants Committee.

John Capinera presently is professor and chairman of the Department of Entomology and Nematology at the University of Florida, Gainesville. This department has the largest number of entomology faculty of any American university, the largest number of graduate students, and the largest number of undergraduates. He has served in this capacity since 1987; previously he was head of the Entomology Department at Colorado State University, and served several years as a faculty member in the Zoology and Entomology Department at Colorado State. Dr. Capinera teaches a course in Extension Entomology and Nematology at UF, and has taught a variety of pest management and introductory entomology courses over the years. He is interested serving the educational needs of nontraditional students and clientele, taking an active role in extension, particularly electronic delivery of information. He has conducted research on ecology and management of vegetable, field crop, and rangeland pests, and continues with research on Florida's grasshoppers. A native of Connecticut (a genuine Yankee!) he obtained his graduate degrees in entomology from the University of Massachusetts. He has been an active

member of FES since 1987, and currently serves as associate editor of *Florida Entomologist* and chair of the Education Committee.

CANDIDATES FOR MEMBER-AT-LARGE

Elzie McCord, Jr., a Georgia native, attended Savannah State University, earning a B.S. in Biology, 1971. He completed a M.S. degree in 1974 and a Ph.D. in 1985 from the University of Florida. He studied the enzymatic, altered site and physical mechanisms of resistance in the fall armyworm. He returned to Florida in 1995 as a Senior Development Representative after 19 years in Delaware. He conducts research to define the activities of experimental chemicals on the control of weeds, diseases, and insects in vegetables throughout Florida and Puerto Rico. Dr. McCord was active in FES as a student and resumed his association in 1995 by working on Sustaining Member and Student Activities committees. This year he chairs the Student Activities Committee while continuing his Sustaining membership responsibilities.

Susan E. Webb is an associate professor with a joint appointment in the Entomology and Nematology Department at the University of Florida and the Central Florida Research and Education Center in Leesburg. Her current responsibilities include research in insect vector (aphids, whiteflies, thrips)-plant virus interactions, the ecology and epidemiology of insect-vectored plant pathogens, and developing management strategies for insect-vectored plant diseases. She is also responsible for developing management strategies for insect pests of cucurbits, including pickleworm, melonworm, and silverleaf whitefly. Dr. Webb has been a member of FES since 1988 and has chaired the Honors and Awards Committee and the Fiscal Committee. As a member of the ESA Southeastern Branch, she has served on the Public Relations Committee and is currently co-chair of the Program Committee for the 2000 meeting. A member of ESA since 1982, she has served as secretary, chair-elect, and chair of Subsection Cc, Insect Vectors in Relation to Plant Disease, and as secretary and, currently, chair-elect of Section C. She is also a member of the American Phytopathological Society in which she has served as chair of the Women in Plant Pathology Committee and as an Associate Editor for Plant Disease. Dr. Webb is also a member of the National Cucurbit Germplasm Committee.

CONDADO PLAZA HOTEL & CASINO

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1-800-468-8588
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GROUP RESERVATION FORM

GROUP NAME: FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY - July 24 to July 29, 1999

PARTICIPANT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ Zip code _____

TELEPHONE: _____

ARRIVAL: _____ DEPARTURE: _____

ACCOMODATION: SINGLE _____ DOUBLE _____ TRIPLE _____

ROOM RATE: SINGLE \$115.00 DOUBLE \$115.00 TRIPLE \$140.00

Smoking: _____ Non-Smoking: _____ Handicapped Room: _____

DEPOSIT ENCLOSED: \$ _____ NOTE: One night deposit is to accompany this form to guarantee the reservation.

Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ Signature _____

PLEASE NOTE:

A) Check in time to hotel is 3:00 p.m.
Check out 12:00 noon

B) The following charges will be added automatically to your room.

- Tax & tariff 22%
- Bellmen Gratuity \$3.50 per person
- Maid Gratuity \$0.25 per person per day

C) Rates apply three days prior and three days after the convention on space availability only.

D) **The cutoff date for these rates is June 25th.** As an alternative to telephoning your reservation request, this form and deposit must reach the Hotel 30 days prior to arrival of the group.

E) After 30 days, reservations will be taken on space availability basis only.

F) **CANCELLATION POLICY:** For a full refund, which is available only in case of an emergency, cancellation must be made at least 72 hours in advance of intended arrival

2nd CALL FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Honors and Awards Committee needs your assistance in identifying and nominating entomologists for the following award categories:

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) Certificates of Appreciation for Special Service to the Society.

To nominate an individual or group, please provide the Committee with: 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 may be mailed, e-mailed, or FAX'd to:

Gary L. Leibee
Chair, Honors and Awards Committee
CFREC, 2700 East Celery Avenue
Sanford, FL 32771
E-mail: GLLE@GNV.IFAS.UFL.EDU
FAX: (407)328-5575

Annual Meeting Travel Logistics

Travelers to San Juan may want to consider flying on American Airlines from Orlando. American offers a discounted rate on travel Tuesday through Thursday for a roundtrip price of \$422.40* including all taxes, etc. (a little higher if you depart or return Friday through Monday). For Tuesday-Thursday travel, use fare code KXNR; for Fri.-Mon. travel use fare code KWNR. This is a nonrefundable fare (but the ticket is "reusable" with a \$75 reissue fee). Tickets must be purchased within 3 days after making the reservation. An additional 10% discount is available for attendees and guests. Please call American Airlines Meeting Services Dept. at 1-800-433-1790 for further details and reservations. *Note: No fare is guaranteed until ticketed.

Airport-Hotel Transportation has been arranged with Backstage Partners, Inc. See FES website for details.

Planning to rent a car while in Puerto Rico? Wait until you arrive at the hotel. AVIS will have a rental location at the Condado Plaza Hotel.

*****WEBPAGE NEWS*****

www.flaentsoc.org has been updated with information and forms for the **annual meeting**. Copies of the preregistration, hotel reservation, tour, and insect collection forms can be downloaded directly. All issues of **Florida Entomologist** from June 1917 to March 1999 are now online! **The Links** page has been updated with *even more* information about Entomology web servers, list servers, and resources in the Caribbean and South America.

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 addressed to the co-editors Lois Wood or Nancy Epsky.

Lois Wood, Dept. of Entomology & Nematology, P.O. Box 110620, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-0620. Phone: (352)-392-1901 Ext. 207, FAX: (352)-392-7567, Internet: LAWO@GNV.IFAS.UFL.EDU.

Nancy Epsky, USDA/ARS, P.O. Box 14565, Gainesville, FL 32604. Phone: (352)-374-5761, FAX (352)-374-5733, Internet: NEPSKY@GAINESVILLE.USDA.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 Lois Wood or Nancy Epsky.

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.

**FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY
1999 ELECTION BALLOT**

President
_____ Lance Peterson

President-Elect
_____ Pat Greany

Vice-President
_____ Richard Mankin
_____ John Capinera

Member-At-Large
_____ Elzie McCord, Jr.
_____ Susan Webb

Secretary
_____ John Petti

PLEASE VOTE for one individual for each office and return the ballot by June 30, 1999 to Dr. Joseph E. Funderburk, NFREC-University of Florida, Route 3 Box 4370, Quincy, FL 32351.

**Dr. Joseph E. Funderburk
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