

# NEWSLETTER of the FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Geri Cashion

It is a real pleasure to announce that the 2007 annual meeting of the Florida Entomological Society will take place on July 15-18 at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel (www.ritzcarlton.com) in Sarasota, Florida. The hotel is conveniently located at 1111 Ritz-Carlton Drive; phone: 800-241-2333 for reservations. We owe many thanks to Teresa DuChene for completing negotiations with the Ritz-Carlton, enabling the Society to enjoy an outstanding venue for our meeting. I'm sure that this beautiful locale will encourage both meaningful interaction with one another as well as participation in the recreational choices available at the hotel and the surrounding area. Rob Meagher, the Program Chair for this meeting, will welcome your input and suggestions for symposium topics. He can be contacted at rmeagherjr@juno.com. Oscar Liburd, Vice President Elect, will be working closely with us to ensure that local arrangements run smoothly.

The creation of an Industry Committee within FES has been accomplished to facilitate and augment our interaction with researchers in this segment of our entomological membership. Scott Ferguson has agreed to serve as chairperson of this committee, and he is currently completing selection of committee members who will work with him to amplify the mutual benefits of closer involvement with industry researchers. Replacing Scott as chairperson of the Membership Committee is Michael Rogers, whom we welcome to the Executive Committee along with Jennifer Gillett, who has agreed to serve as Public Relations Chair. We are still in need of a volunteer for the chair of the Education Committee, an important vacancy. If you would like to serve in this capacity, please contact me at <u>geribugs@mindspring.com</u> or by phone at (727) 787-3669.

Please review the article in this newsletter regarding our annual meeting and mark your calendar for July 15-18 at the beautiful Ritz-Carlton, Sarasota. Make your reservations <u>early</u> so that we can meet our agreement with the hotel.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Edited minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, held November 14, 2006 at the USDA-ARS in Gainesville, FL, are as follows:

#### Attendance

Geri Cashion, Teresa DuChene, Nancy Epsky (via phone), Howard Frank, Stephen Lapointe, Richard Mankin, Robert Meagher, James Nation, Jeff Shapiro, and Cara Vazquez.

# Publications and Editor, Florida Entomologist: (Jim Nation)

The Florida Entomologist is well ahead of page budgets in submissions, largely due to publication of symposia, especially IAEA fruit fly and SIT symposia (24 manuscripts). Thompson-Gale wishes to add Florida Entomologist to their online database. A nonexclusive agreement would be required. It would be in addition to BioOne and JStor, the current providers. Royalites would be provided for usage. Also, InfoLink attachments can be added to manuscripts in revision for \$45 per manuscript.

## **Computer Resources (Richard Mankin)**

Questions arose about online renewal of dues. Richard Mankin will check with ESA as to their procedure.

#### Past President's Committee (Steve Lapointe)

Steve reported that Miguel Serrano announced the 34th annual meeting of the Colombian Entomological Society (SOCOLEN) to be held at Cartagena, Colombia July 25-27, 2007. Steve also announced FES member participation in symposia and organizing, and proposed FES Graduate Student Travel Grant Awards.

## **Treasurers Report (Teresa DuChene)**

Authors are deeply in arrears, though some payments are still expected. EO Painter can play a role in collecting from authors. Publication will be prohibited if past bills are not paid. Membership attendance numbers and revenue were nearly level year-toyear, with a slight total net loss for the meeting. It is harder than ever to reserve space for our meetings.

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July 15 – 18, 2007

Ritz-Carlton Resort 1111 Ritz-Carlton Drive Sarasota, FL 34236

Reservations: 800-241-3333 Hotel: 941-309-2000 Fax: 941-309-2100 http://www.ritzcarlton.com/resorts/sarasota/

# Hotel Room Registration Deadline is June 22, 2007

Room rate is \$139/day For more details visit <u>www.flaentsoc.org</u> or for specific questions contact:

Geri Cashion, President, FES Email: <u>geribugs@mindspring.com</u>

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### 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 1, 2007.** Titles and abstracts should be sent to Rob Meagher (contact information on SUBMITTED PAPER FORM located on page six).

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. The deadline for receipt of electronic presentations is **July 6, 2007.** 

Symposium speakers should submit their presentations directly to their organizer. All other oral presentations (**including student presentations**) should be sent via email attachment, or if larger than 10MB, on a CD to:

Oscar Liburd Local Arrangements Chair, FES University of Florida Entomology & Nematology Dept. P. O. Box 110620, Bldg. 970, Natural Area Dr. Gainesville, FL 32611 Tel.: 352-392-1901 x108 Email: <u>oeliburd@ufl.edu</u>

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#### STUDENT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

A competition for the best M.S and Ph.D. student paper will be held at the upcoming 90th Annual Meeting of the Florida Entomological Society, **July 15 to 18, 2007**, at the Ritz-Carlton Resort & Spa, 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 paper title and abstract using the submitted paper form found on page six. 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 a repetition of results.

*Relevance of Research* (15 points) – importance of subject matter to current arthropod pest problems, 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 of 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 ten minigrants to student members at the Annual Meeting. Travel grants are also awarded at the meeting.

To apply for these awards, the applicant must be a current FES student member. 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.

Send all materials in one package only.

*Minigrants* - The Florida Entomological Society will award ten minigrants of \$100 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.

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.

We recommend that all applications should be sent <u>via digital</u> form no later than **June 15, 2007** and should be addressed to:

## Dr. Marco A. Toapanta,

Chair, Student Activities Committee Bayer CropScience **E-mail:** marco.toapanta@bayercropscience.com

Please send a copy of the application package to: **Dr. Dan Hahn**, Student Activities Committee Member, **E-mail:** <u>dahahn@ufl.edu</u>

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# FIRST CALL FOR OFFICER NOMINATIONS

FES is to elect two new board members this year:

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

By tradition, we rotate Vice President among:

- (1) federal and state government,
- (2) universities, and
- (3) industry

A new Vice President from Industry is in the rotation for 2007, so nominations of industry members would be received enthusiastically.

Nominees should be FES members. Send nominations to:

Rudolf H. Scheffrahn Professor of Entomology University of Florida Fort Lauderdale Res. & Educ. Ctr 3205 College Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314 Office: 954-577-6312 FAX 954-475-4125 rhsc@ufl.edu

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# FIRST 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) Annual Achievement Award for Regulatory Entomology
- 9) 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 maybe mailed, e-mailed, or FAXed by **June 10, 2007** to:

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

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#### 34th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COLOMBIAN ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY (SOCOLEN)

July 25-27, 2007 in

Cartagena, Columbia Visit <u>www.flaentsoc.org</u> or <u>www.socolen.org.co</u> for updates

The deadline for all presentation abstracts is May 25, 2007

The registration deadline is June 1, 2007

For more information contact:

Stephen L. Lapointe Past President, FES SLL13@cornell.edu

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# 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 or Bill Overholt.

- 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.

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#### SUBMITTED PAPER FORM

Oral presentation
Poster Presentation
Symposium Participant
Student Paper:
M.S. Competition
Ph.D. Competition

#### **Return to:**

Rob Meagher Program Chair, FES 1700 SW 23<sup>rd</sup> Drive Gainesville, FL 32608 Email:<u>rmeagherjr@juno.com</u> Phone: (352) 374-5756

#### DEADLINE: Friday, June 1, 2007

(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):