2022 Fall Newsletter
Call for Paper Titles and Award Nominations

Message From the President
As we continue to make strides toward normalcy across the region following the COVID pandemic, the status of our SRASHS meeting is (for the first time in two years) not in question. Our 2023 meeting preparation is well under way for an in-person meeting and I look forward to seeing everyone in Oklahoma City, OK in a few short months on the first week of February 2023.

For those who have not visited Oklahoma City, I think you’ll be pleasantly surprised by the variety of activities available in the downtown area that includes the Stockyards, Art District/Film Row, and museum district (including the Myriad Botanical Garden). OKC certainly lives up to the title of ‘The Modern Frontier’.

While it doesn’t seem like 20 years ago, I distinctively remember my first SRASHS experience as a graduate student. This is partly because I was completely nervous about presenting my work, but more importantly because I made connections at SRASHS that have lasted my academic career and been the basis for lasting friendships. It’s that networking which sets SRASHS apart from many meetings, as regional connections lead to shared vision and collaborate efforts that stand the test of time.

This is why I encourage not only faculty to attend, but for faculty to use this opportunity to provide your students, staff, and postdocs with an opportunity to broaden their networks as well. Last year’s meeting in New Orleans was one of the best attended SRASHS meetings in recent memory, particularly regarding graduate student participation. Let’s keep that trend going.

About the Oklahoma City Meetings
SRASHS will meet in conjunction with the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientist (SAAS) in in Oklahoma City, OK at the Omni Oklahoma City Hotel, which is within 10-minute walk to Bricktown OKC. Bricktown is a very popular entertainment district with many restaurants and things to do. Very family and kid orientated.

88th Year
Southern Region
American Society for Horticultural Science
104th Year
Horticulture Section
Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists
2023 Annual Conference
February 3-5, 2023
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
going! And for those who have had few opportunities to spread your wings since the pandemic started, SRASHS will provide a way to reconnect with the 3-D versions of colleagues that we’ve all missed.

I hope everyone has a wonderful end to 2022 and I look forward to seeing you all in OKC on February 3-5, 2023.

Schedule of the Meetings
The general schedule of the meetings will be:

**Friday**
- Working Group Meetings
- Administrators Meetings
- ACB Club Share and tour
- Executive Committee Meeting

**Saturday**
- Poster session set-up and viewing
- ACB judging contest
- Working Group Meetings
- Extension, Education & overflow Sections
- Edmund, Childers, Barham, and Poster Judging competitions
- SAAS Board Meeting

**Sunday**
- Poster session and viewing
- ACB Business meeting & officer election
- Commodity Section meetings.
- Business Meeting
- Super Bowl Party if you hang around

Forms – Where to Get
The Southern Region web site: http://srashs.org/Forms/forms.html
- ACB Awards Nomination Forms
- Outstanding Graduate Student Award Nomination form
- Member Awards Nomination Forms
- Submit Paper Titles & Instructions
- Abstract Preparation Instructions
- Instructions to Section Chairs
- Submit Directory Information
- Instructions to Judges

Southern Region Dues
ASHS Headquarters collects and manages dues for the Southern Region. It is recommended to pay your dues with your yearly ASHS membership. If you are not a member of National ASHS, you can pay your dues through the ASHS Online Store at https://ashs.org/store/ViewProduct.aspx?id=2463036 or at the annual meetings. Dues are $30. Notice: Dues must be paid to be elected to an office or to receive an award.

Early Bird Hotel Information and Reservations

**Omni Oklahoma City Hotel**
100 West Oklahoma City Blvd.
Oklahoma City, OK 73109

For Lodging Reservations:

This is a dedicated site for SAAS Group reservations. Or call: 800-THE-OMNI (800-843-6664) and mention that you are with Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists (NOTE: Omni Oklahoma City Hotel is in partnership with Say Goodnight to Hunger. For all group rooms booked, Omni will contribute one meal per reservation. Your reservation will help make a meaningful difference in the local communities.

**SAAS Group Rates:**
$164.00/night + tax (Single/Double/Triple/Quad rooms)
Deadline to reserve at group rate: Friday, January 20, 2023.

**Check in:** 3:00 pm - **Check out:** 11:00 am
**AIRPORT:** Hotel is approx.10 miles (approx.14 minutes) from Will Rogers World Airport (OKC). Hotel does not provide shuttle service to and from the airport.

**PARKING**
All parking at Omni Oklahoma City Hotel is valet. Overnight valet parking is $34/day plus tax; hourly valet parking starts at $15 plus tax from arrival up to four (4) hours and $25 plus tax from four (4) hours up to eight (8) hours. A self-parking garage option near the hotel is the Convention Center garage.

**HOTEL AMENITIES:**
**Group Rate** will be honored for 3 days before and 3 days after conference dates of Feb. 2-7
**Internet:** Complimentary.
**Fitness Center:** Complimentary access.

SAAS Web Site
https://www.saasinc.org/
Will post updates relative to hotel availability and meeting information.
Call for Paper Titles – Sections

Deadlines:  
November 19 - Authors: email formatted titles as .doc or .rtf files to Section Chairs.  
December 2 - Section Chairs: email to the Secretary-Treasurer a 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: 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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Extension Section
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Vegetables Crops Section
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Fruit Crops Section
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Postharvest/Biotechnology Section
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Call for Paper Titles – Student Paper Competitions

Deadlines: November 19 Authors: email formatted titles as .doc or .rtf files to Section Chairs.
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Send Titles to the Section Chairs

Students may also present their paper or poster in the Commodity Section, if they submit the title to the appropriate Section Chair and there is an available time slot; they must notify the Section Chair that it is a second presentation. The abstract will only be published once with the competition papers.

**Undergraduate Student Paper Competitions**

**J.B. Edmond Undergraduate Student Paper Competition**
Catherine Simpson
Texas Tech Univ.
Dept. of Plant and Soil Science
Lubbock, TX 79409
catherine.simpson@ttu.edu

**Undergraduate and Graduate Student Poster Competition**

**Graduate Student Paper Competition**

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

**Warren S. Barham Ph.D. Graduate Student Paper Competition**
Elina Coneva, Chair
Auburn University
101 Funchess Hall
Auburn, AL 36849
edc0001@auburn.edu

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J.Scheiner, Chair
Department of Horticultural Sciences
Texas A&M University
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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 Titles Deadlines: November 24- For titles and agenda to appear in the SAAS Program. December 17 –For titles and agenda to appear in the Southern Region Program. Working Group Chairs email to the Secretary-Treasurer a complete list of all titles, via email, properly formatted, and as one .doc or .rtf file.

Abstract Publication: 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 Working Group Chair by the date of the session. For format, see the Abstract Preparation Form on the Southern Region Web Site (srashs.org). The group of abstracts is submitted by the Working Group Chair to the Chair of the most appropriate Commodity Section; the abstracts will be published as a block under a sub-heading of the Section.

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

Horticulture Administrators
Chris Gunter, Chair
University of Florida
Horticultural Sciences
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Gainesville, Florida 32611
cc.gunter@ufl.edu

Southern Fruit Workers
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University of Georgia
1109 Experiment Street
Griffin, GA 30223
ritle@uga.edu

Watermelon Research Group
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egel@purdue.edu

Melia Acevedo, Vice-Chair
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Davis, CA
melissa.acevedo@hmclause.com

National Sweet Potato Collaborators
Michelle McHargue, Chair
Senior Research Scientist
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Richland, WA 99354
Michelle.McHargue@lamb Weston.com
Call for Nominations for Student Awards

Student Paper and Poster Awards
Submit to Chair: Submit paper titles to the respective Chairs in Call for Student Paper Competition Titles
ACB Club and Club Member Awards
Requirements: See below for each award
Submit to Advisor: Mail or e-mail Nominations to the ACB Faculty Advisor listed below.
Nomination Forms: Download award forms from the Southern Region web site: srashs.org
Deadlines: November 19 - Nomination packet submitted to the Chair
December 16 - Chairs submits recipients to Secretary-Treasurer

Student Oral & Poster Awards
Submit titles to Chairs listed in Call for Paper Titles – Student Paper Competitions

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 $500, $300, and $200 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, respectively. The award is sponsored by Norman F. Childers Endowment.

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 $500, $300, and $200 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, respectively. The award is sponsored by Warren S. Barham Endowment.

Norman F. Childers’ Outstanding Graduate Student Award
Award is given to the outstanding graduate student in the southern region. The award is $1,000 funded by the Childers Endowment.
Send nominations to:
Amy Wright, Chair
Auburn University
College of Agriculture
107 Comer Hall
Auburn, AL 36849
awright@auburn.edu

Assoc. 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. Certificates and awards or $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.
Send Nominations to
Nate Phillips Chair
Middle Tennessee State University
Campus Box 5
Murfreesboro, TN 37132
Nate.Phillips@mtsu.edu

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.
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: November 19- Nominations submitted to Award Chairs
December 2 - Nominations received by Award Chairs

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:
Garry McDonald, Chair
Univ of Arkansas
Dept of Horticulture
316 Plant Sciences Bldg
Fayetteville, AR 72701
gmcdonal@uark.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:
Dilip Panthee, Chair
NC State University
455 Research Dr.
Mills River, North Carolina 48759
dilip_panthee@ncsu.edu

Krezdorn Award for Excellence in Doctoral Research and Writing
The award is presented in recognition of the best published paper developed from doctoral research.
Requirements: (1) award recipient and/or primary advisor must be active member in good standing in SR-ASHS; (2) submit reprint of paper published in any refereed journal, (3) paper published within calendar year of award due date and the previous calendar year; therefore for this cycle the paper must have been published in calendar year 2020 or 2021, (4) doctoral research must have been completed in horticulture at a university in the Southern Region; (5) one paper per senior author and submitted only once. The award consists of a plaque and a check for $200. The award was endowed by the late Dr. Alfred Krezdorn.
Send nominations to:
Katherine Jennings, Chair
NC State University
Box 7609
Raleigh, NC 27695
katie_jennings@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. The award consists of a plaque and a check for $200.
Send nominations to:
Tom Yeager
2541 Fifield Hall
University of Florida
Gainesville, FL 32611
yeagert@ufl.edu
**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 in 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:**
Amanda McWhirt, Chair
Univ of Arkansas
Department of Horticulture
2301 S. University Ave
Little Rock, Arkansas 72204
amcwhirt@uada.edu

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**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. person must be 35 years or younger on December 31 in 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:**
David Reed, Chair
Department of Horticultural Sciences
Texas A&M University
MS 2133
College Station, TX 77843
dwreed@tamu.edu

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**Extension Communications Awards**
The award is presented in recognition of outstanding contribution to the understanding of horticultural subjects. Submissions may be circulars, bulletins, tabloids, manuals, newspaper series, fact sheets, video, computer programs, and other methods of electronic delivery.

**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 (print, electronic or digital) of the entry, and
6. a completed Extension Communication Entry Form. Copies of entries will not be returned unless arrangements are made with the Chair.

The award consists of a Blue Ribbon Certificate.

**Send nominations to:**
Christine Coker, Chair
Mississippi State Univ.
Coastal REC
1815 Popps Ferry Rd.
Biloxi, MS 39532-2108
christine.coker@msstate.edu
## 2022-23 Officers, Chairs and Committees

*(Term of office is from end of 2022 meeting through 2023 meeting)*

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