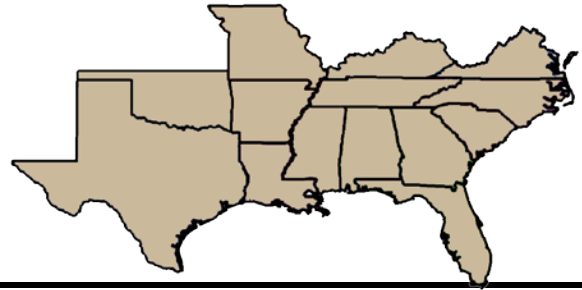


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SWSS Deadlines

Just a short reminder about looming deadlines

1. Please pre-register for the meeting. Go to the website (www.swss.ws) to register.

2. Rooms at the meeting rate of \$165/night are quickly filling up at the Caribe Hilton Hotel. The deadline for making a reservation at this rate is December 24, 2010. See the website for instructions.

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Thanks,

Phil Banks, SWSS Business Manager

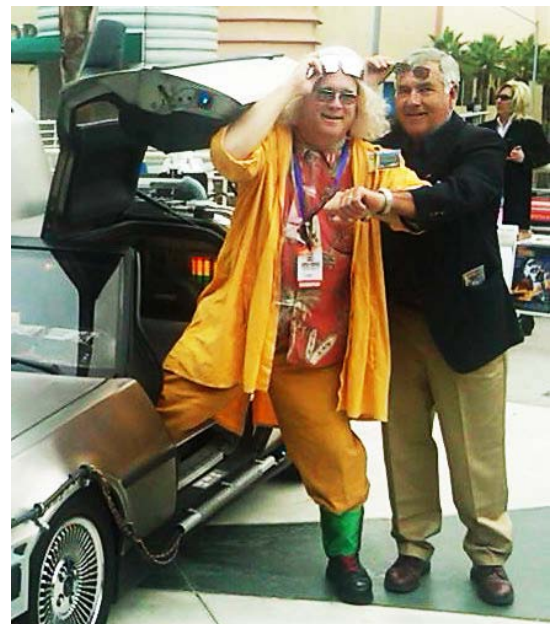
President's Message Mr. Tom Holt

One of the first duties to befall the incoming Program Chair (aka President-Elect) is setting a theme for the upcoming annual meeting. When **Barry Brecke** told us he had decided on the theme "*Back to the Future,*" I was a little skeptical. As it turns out, his theme now seems very

appropriate as we head to a place where we've never had a meeting to talk about the problems in weed science and to discuss the future of weed control. We've seen many of these problems before, and we are considering some old tools and practices in our approach to develop new ways to solve these problems. The current need for weed science as well as future opportunities for employment look good, just as they have in the past.

I would like to extend a sincere "**Thank You**" to all of the officers, committee chairs, committee members and the many others that have been working hard to ensure we have a successful annual meeting.

"Back To The Future!"



There are several important and informative updates from committee chairs in this Newsletter for you to read, so I'll keep my comments brief.

Barry Brecke is working hard to pull the *2010 Program* together; he has a large number of papers, posters, symposia, and "events" to incorporate into this year's meeting. Please see his update for interesting details.

Dearl Sanders and his team have been working since January to take care of all the **Local Arrangements** details for us. Since we are going to a new location off the mainland, please read Dearl's letter for an exciting preview of what awaits you in Puerto Rico.

Spouses: Since so many of you are bringing spouses to San Juan, we want to ensure a solid and fun experience for them. **Lisa Smith** has an information piece below to use for planning your trip.

Some of the events have special information pieces such as the *Southern Hospitality Tradeshow* that **Renee Keese** is organizing. This event epitomizes the "Back to the Future" theme. Old timers like me remember when industry had Hospitality Suites almost every evening; unfortunately, high costs and company downsizing have essentially eliminated this tradition. The Southern Hospitality Tradeshow is an attempt to start a new tradition where Industry members work together to keep costs reasonable yet still provide a place for networking and socializing. (Note: If your company has not signed up with Renee, please encourage them to participate in this event.)

Please see the information below to learn more about the **Tropical Forest Tour** and the **Golf Tournament**, which are both on the agenda for Sunday.

Phil Banks reports meeting registration numbers that indicate we will have excellent attendance at our upcoming meeting in San Juan, including the attendance of many spouses. If you are planning to attend, please make your room reservation at the Caribe Hilton via the SWSS web-site, and make your flight reservations ASAP. Phil tells us we are almost sold out of our room block at the Caribe Hilton. The meeting will not be nearly as convenient for you if you are not staying at the Hilton.

Committees and Officers:

As mentioned in the May Newsletter, the importance of intact and fully operating committees is fundamental and foundational to the success of our society. One of our goals this year was to work internally to make the SWSS fundamentally stronger. As a result of these efforts, all of the committees are now chaired and operating, and we will continue to strive for further participation of our members in these committees.

The **present** need for weed science is here just as it has been in the **past**. The best way for us to ensure a strong SWSS in the **future**, is for you to participate in our 2011 Annual Meeting in Puerto Rico.

I hope to see you in Puerto Rico!

Tom Holt
SWSS President, 2010

Puerto Rico in the “high season”

Dearl Sanders –
SWSS - Local Arrangements.

Couple of more notes and thoughts about our upcoming meeting in San Juan: December through February is considered the “high season” for tourists to the island. Tourism is big business, especially in San Juan. Lots of mainlanders and Europeans vacation in Puerto Rico during this time. Lots of snowbirds from the east coast spend the entire high season on the island. This is good for us since the island gears up for this time of year with all tour venues, shops and restaurants open for business.



Go to the beach, it will not be crowded. Strange phenomena: Locals do not go to the beach in the winter months! Average daily high and low temperature in January is 81 and 73 while the average daily high and low in July is 86 and 75 (go figure!). Do expect some rain in the afternoon. Puerto Rico sits squarely in the westerly trade winds. Trade winds bring in moisture from the Atlantic (think rainforest) and drop it on the north side of the island.

Go to the rainforest. The El Yunque rainforest is the only rainforest in the US Forest Service inventory.

We have set up a tour for Sunday afternoon (23rd), see the web site for registering for the tour. If you want to visit El Yunque and Sunday is not an option, check with the hotel. The hotel has its own tour desk located near the lobby. We have also requested that the hotel tour folks set up a tour desk near our registration area for Monday morning.

Tropical agriculture. For those who want to get a close up look at tropical agriculture we have arranged for a tour of the Corozal Experiment Station on Thursday morning (27th). Their web site is: eea.uprm.edu/Corozal/default.aspx The Corozal Experiment Station is one of six experiment stations operated by the University of Puerto Rico. The Corozal station specializes in tropical agriculture. For those interested in touring the station contact Wilfredo Robles (wilfredo.robles2@upr.edu) or Lucas Aviles (lucas.aviles@upr.edu).

Other stuff. If you have any questions (travel, food, tours, safety etc.) Please contact me at dsanders@agcenter.lsu.edu See you on the island.

THINK SUNSCREEN!!

2011 SWSS Meeting Program Update

The 2011 SWSS Program has been finalized and is posted on the SWSS website. There are several special events and six symposia and one workshop in addition to the volunteered papers and posters. We have an outstanding venue for the 64th meeting of the Southern Weed Science Society at the Caribe Hilton in San Juan Puerto, Rico. A total of 235 oral presentation (including 41 graduate student) and 113 poster titles (including 20 graduate student) were submitted. We are pleased

the Dr. Michael Fitzner, Director Plant Systems, National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), has agreed to present the keynote address at the SWSS General Session on Monday afternoon. He will discuss how weed science can participate in NIFA.

Reminders for Presenters

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CONDENSED MEETING SCHEDULE

Saturday Afternoon, January 22

SWSS Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, January 23

SWSS Golf Tournament

Hands-on Photographic Walking Tour

Rainforest Tour

Monday, January 24

Committee Meetings

General Session

Paper Sessions

2,4-D Symposium

Tropical Agriculture Symposium

Business Meeting

BASF Sponsored Reception

Southern Hospitality and Tradeshow

Tuesday, January 25

Paper Sessions

Poster Session

Graduate Student Contest

Management of Herbicide Resistant Weeds Symposium

Quiz Bowl

Southern Hospitality and Tradeshow

Wednesday, January 26

Paper Sessions

Aquatics Symposium

Photography Workshop

Regulatory Issues Symposium

Graduate Student Symposium

SWSS Mixer and Awards Banquet

Thursday Morning, January 27

SWSS Board of Directors Meeting

SPECIAL EVENTS

Golf Tournament – Sunday, January 23 – see SWSS Website for details and sign-up

Photography Walking Tour – Sunday, January 23 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.
Bring your camera or your camera phone! This will be a "Hands-On" workshop where participants use their own cameras to learn different photography techniques. This morning tour is excellent preparation for the rainforest tour, which departs Sunday afternoon.

Rainforest Tour – Sunday, January 23 12:20 to 5:30 p.m. – see SWSS Website for details and sign-up.

BASF Reception – Monday, January 24 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Southern Hospitality & Tradeshow – Monday, January 24 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. and Tuesday, January 25 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. This industry sponsored event will provide an opportunity for meeting attendees, especially graduate students, to interact with industry representatives.

SWSS Quiz Bowl – Tuesday, January 25 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. This fast-paced event has teams representing universities from the SWSS region answering a wide variety of questions. The main idea is to enjoy a time of fellowship in an informal learning atmosphere.

SWSS Mixer followed by the Awards Banquet – Wednesday, January 26 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The Caribe Hilton is an excellent site for the 2011 meeting. Local Arrangements Chair Dearl Sanders is working with his contacts in Puerto Rico to make the meeting a truly memorable one.

Please contact me if you have questions about the 2011 SWSS Program

Thanks.

Barry Brecke
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850-982-1871

Sustaining Membership Committee needs your help!

We are excited that for the first time in our society's history, we will be holding our annual meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The program and local arrangement committees have put together what should be an outstanding 2011 meeting and we hope to see you there. I'm sure you are well aware that the meeting is scheduled for January 24-27, 2011, but how many of you know how many Sustaining Members we had last year or what it takes to be a member? It might surprise you to know we had only seventeen! We certainly appreciate the support from our Sustaining Members in the past, but would like to see this number grow in the future. My guess is we have companies in attendance that are not Sustaining Members and others that are a key part of our Industry that we all interact with that need to be involved in the SWSS for the many benefits, opportunities and information it offers. On behalf of the Sustaining Membership Committee we're requesting that our membership help us identify potential companies to become Sustaining Members to help us grow our Society. Our upcoming meeting is right around the corner, so please send all potential company names and contact information to John Richburg (jsrichburg@dow.com) and Robin Bond (RBond@drec.msstate.edu) by October 1st.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you in San Juan.

John Richburg

Announcements

SWSS Christian Prayer Breakfast

The SWSS Christian Prayer Breakfast got its start during the summer of 2003 with this email from John Wilcut to David Shaw et al.:

Dear Friends, Bob Hayes came up to me with a very good idea (in my opinion) at the WSSA; and I would like to facilitate that idea. His idea is for us to have a Christian Fellowship Breakfast at the SWSS and I would propose 7 am on Wednesday (from here after). It would be pay your own and would require a prior headcount, etc. as it should not be charged to the Society. Since all attending are paid out of some account, it really would not cost anyone. I think it would be a great opportunity for Fellowship without the professional side. So experience friends of mine, how do we go about getting this accomplished. I will be out of sorts for the next 10-14 days starting tomorrow and wanted to get the ball rolling. Best regards, John

The first SWSS Christian Prayer Breakfast was held at the 2004 SWSS Meeting. The 8th SWSS Christian Prayer will be held at the Caribe Hilton (check program and registration desk for location), Wednesday morning, 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. The breakfast is open to all faiths (or lack thereof), sexes, members, spouses, students, etc. It is a time of fellowship, reflection, testimonies, thanksgiving, blessings and prayer. Even if you have not accepted Jesus Christ and desire to find out more about Him, you are welcome to attend. Light refreshment will be available and a donation will be accepted to cover the cost. You will be dismissed in sufficient time to get to the morning paper sessions. There is no structured program and we rely on the Spirit of God to lead the time of sharing and prayer...after all we cannot improve on His leadership. The following response from one of the attendees is what makes this time so special:

“What is most amazing to me is the realization that the SWSS is, after all, led by spiritually grounded gentlemen. You wouldn't know how much everyone there inspired me; strengthened my resolve to keep on going. I realized, belatedly, that I had shared my inner struggles with complete strangers. However, my consolation is that there are no strangers in the brotherhood of Christ. The testimonies shared by you,

John, and Mark that morning were (and will always be) breathtaking. Let us keep marching on.” Dr. Nilda Burgos

Southern Hospitality & Tradeshow

Join us in the exhibit hall Monday Jan. 24 from 8-10pm, either after dinner or the BASF reception. Drink tickets for beer, wine or sodas will be included in your registration packet. Then come back after the Quiz Bowl on Tuesday from 7-10pm. Heavy finger foods and beverages will be provided. This is your opportunity to network and visit SWSS industry sponsors.

For additional information contact Renee Keese: 919—547-2791

2011 NORTH AMERICAN INVASIVE PLANT ECOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT SHORT COURSE

July 6 - 8, 2011. The North American Invasive Plant Ecology and Management Short Course (NAIPSC) is three days of intense instruction and learning for those interested in the basics of invasive plant ecology and management. The first annual course will be held at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln West Central Research & Extension Center in North Platte, NE. The NAIPSC will include presentations, hands-on workshops, site visits and instructor-led discussion sessions on the latest in invasive plant ecology and management. CEU and graduate student credit will be available. View the brochure or visit the website (ipscourse.unl.edu) for more information and how to register.

PhD Position Available

A graduate assistantship (PhD) is available in the vegetable and fruit crops in the Department of Horticultural Science at North Carolina State University. Areas of focus includes weed science research (weed/crop interaction (competition/interference), development of strategies for controlling difficult to control weeds, and efficacy trials for herbicides and non-chemical weed control methods in tomato and bell pepper. Students will be based in Raleigh, NC but would have the opportunity to travel throughout the state. The assistantship is competitive with other institutions offering similar areas of study. The

candidate does need a valid driver's license. The project would begin in spring 2011 or as soon as a suitable candidate is identified.

Contact Drs. Katie Jennings (katie_jennings@ncsu.edu) or Dr. David Monks (david_monks@ncsu.edu) for more information.

University of Florida Faculty Member Receives Fulbright Award

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: James A. Lawrence

Date: June 2010

Telephone: 202-453-8531

Carlene A. Chase, Associate Professor at the University of Florida, has been awarded a Fulbright Scholar grant for lecturing and research at The University of the West Indies in Trinidad and Tobago during the 2010-2011 academic year, according to the United States Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

Chase will assist with the teaching of weed science in the MSc Crop Protection program, supervise undergraduate and graduate student research projects, and conduct research on sustainable management of weeds in Fair Trade bananas.

Chase is one of approximately 1,100 U.S. faculty and professionals who will travel abroad through the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program.

The Fulbright Program, America's flagship international educational exchange program, is sponsored by the United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Since its establishment in 1946 under legislation introduced by the late Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, the Fulbright Program has provided approximately 286,500 people – 108,160 Americans who have studied, taught or researched abroad and 178,340 students, scholars and teachers from other countries who have engaged in similar activities in the United States – with the opportunity to observe each others' political, economic, educational and cultural institutions, to exchange ideas and to embark on joint ventures of importance to the general welfare of the world's inhabitants. The Program operates in over 155 countries worldwide.

Recipients of Fulbright awards are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields. Among the thousands of prominent Fulbright alumni are: **Muhammad Yunus**, Managing Director and Founder, Grameen Bank, and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006; **Javier Solana**, Foreign Policy Chief, European Union; **Ruth Simmons**, President, Brown University; **Craig Barrett**, Chairman of the Board, Intel Corporation; **Shamshad Akhtar**, the first woman to hold the position of Governor, State Bank of Pakistan; **Alejandro Jara**, Deputy Director-General, World Trade Organization; **Raoul Cantero**, Justice, Florida Supreme Court; **Renee Fleming**, soprano; **Gish Jen**, Writer; **Daniel Libeskind**, Architect; **Aneesh Raman**, CNN Middle East Correspondent; and **Sibusiso Sibisi**, President and CEO, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research in South Africa.

Fulbright recipients are among over 40,000 individuals participating in U.S. Department of State exchange programs each year. For more than sixty years, the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs has supported programs that seek to promote mutual understanding and respect between the people of the United States and the people of other

countries. The Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program is administered by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars.

For further information about the Fulbright Program or the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, please visit our website at <http://fulbright.state.gov> or contact James A. Lawrence, Office of Academic Exchange Programs, telephone 202-453-8531, or e-mail fulbright@state.gov.

Committee Reports

Endowment Committee

In the 1985 SWSS Proceedings, Bob Franz reported the Endowment Fund Committee was one recommendation of an ad hoc long-range planning committee developed to support graduate student programs of the SWSS. The idea materialized in 1982 or 1983, with the recommendations finalized in 1985. The Endowment Foundation continues to receive donations with the objective that the interest off investments be used to support SWSS graduate programs. Have you contributed to the Endowment Fund lately? Contributions are easy on line at the ^{new} and improved SWSS web site www.swss.ws or can be made at the registration desk when you arrive in Puerto Rico.

Legislative Committee supports continued funding for DSP position.

The SWSS Legislative and Regulatory committee discussed the activities of the WSSA Science Policy Director Lee Van Wychen (see DSP report in the 2010 committee report). In addition to the activities by the Director of Science Policy (DSP) the committee discussed the funding mechanism that supports the position and related activities. The committee unanimously supported SWSS continuing its funding for this position. The Chairman of the committee worked with WSSA and SWSS Board of Directors (BOD) to ensure a better understanding of the importance of the DSP and the need for SWSS and the other regional Weed Science Societies to continue their financial support. The issue of the DSP funding formula was

extensively evaluated by SWSS and WSSA. As a result of this evaluation, WSSA changed the formula which resulted in reduced costs to all the regional societies. At the SWSS summer board meeting (San Juan, PR, [June 24, 2010](#)), attended by the committee chair, the activities of the DSP, how the DSP interacts with SWSS and the funding formula was discussed. The BOD discussed the DSP activities and a recommendation for SWSS to continue support at the new formula level. The committee chair recommended enhanced interaction between the DSP and SWSS which could include but not be limited to:

1. SWSS President invite the DSP to present at the SWSS annual meeting
2. SWSS invite the DSP and the chairman of the SWSS Legislative and Regulatory committee to meet with the BOD during the annual meeting.
3. SWSS newsletter editor request reports from the DSP.

The each Board member made comments and the chair of the committee was asked to address any concerns. The BOD voted to continue to support the DSP at the new funding level on a year to year basis.

Donn Shilling

Necrology Committee

The Necrology committee needs anyone with information on the passing of SWSS members contact:

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Please send text information as Microsoft
Word and pictures as JPEG or BMP files
to: bscott@uaex.edu

The Deadline for submissions for the May newsletter is April 15th, 2011. Please submit files as word documents and pictures as Jpg or equivalent to the Newsletter editor prior to this date. Submit information to:

**Bob Scott, bscott@uaex.edu
SWSS, Newsletter Editor**

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Southern Weed Science Society

Pre-registration for the 64th Annual Meeting – January 24-26, 2011 Caribe Hilton, San Juan, Puerto Rico
Return before January 12, 2011 (a late registration fee of \$50.00 will be charged at the meeting).

To pay by credit card, please go to <http://www.swss.ws> and click on Annual Meeting or call Phil Banks 575-527-1888)

Please Print

Name

Affiliation

Address

City, State, Zip code

Telephone: _____ FAX: _____

E-mail address: _____ (must have for meeting notifications, newsletter, etc.)

Registration: (Registration at the meeting will be \$50.00 more.)

Regular Member: \$275.00 (includes banquet and coffee breaks) US \$ _____

Student (Graduate or Undergraduate): \$ 100.00 (includes banquet and coffee breaks). US \$ _____

Spouse Registration: \$30.00 (coffee and pastries) US \$ _____

Can't attend the meeting? Annual Dues for 2011: \$ 40.00 US \$ _____

Donation to the SWSS Endowment Foundation US \$ _____

Total due: US \$ _____
(make all checks to SWSS)

Send to: Phil Banks, SWSS Business Manager
205 W. Boutz Rd. Bldg 4, Ste 5
Las Cruces, NM 88005

To register for the golf tournament, go to the website. To register for the Rainforest Tour, go to the website.

A receipt will be included with your registration packet at the meeting. To make Hotel Reservations go to the SWSS website or call 1-787-721-0303 (room rate is \$165.00/night plus fees and taxes).

SWSS Proposed Spouses Program

We are working hard this year to have a great spouses program! The idea is to have a primary program, as well as coordinate activities for individuals that would like to choose other activities. We would encourage spouses attending the meeting to register with the spouses program. Through the spouses program you will be able to meet and interact with other spouses, as well as travel in groups for your safety. Advanced registration will aid us in planning for transportation to and from the activities. Registration for the spouses program will be \$30 which includes a sponsored ticket to the awards banquet.

Lisa Smith is going to be coordinating our spouses program this year and will be able to help coordinate activities. We will have sign-up lists to help match individuals with like interests who do not wish to attend the primary activities. The Caribe Hilton has a list of additional activities. Please note that the hotel does charge for it's sponsored activities and tours and may require a minimum number of attendees.

Sunday, January 23rd

Activities for everyone will start on Sunday with a choice between attending the golf tournament at Dorado Resort and Country Club and a trip to the El Yunque Rainforest. The cost of the trip to the rainforest will be approximately \$38-43 per person. This will cover the bus ride to and from the rainforest. Advanced registration will be required for the trip to El Yunque. This will be available on the SWSS website in the near future.



Monday, January 24rd

1:00 – 1:30 Meet and Greet Activities

1:30 – 4:30 Tour Old San Juan Shopping District

- Calle del Cristo Shopping Area
- Del Cristo Chapel
- Fort San Felipe del Morro



Tuesday, January 25rd

9:00 – 4:00 Trip to Luquillo Beach

Bordered by the palms of an 1890's coconut plantation, Luquillo has always been Puerto Rico's most famous beach. A swim in its warm ocean waters is a spa-like experience. As you sip the cold juice from a coconut (a "coco frio"), admire the crescent bay with its many shades of blue and the splendid panorama of El Yunque rainforest.

Luquillo Beach is so beautiful that it has become a national and international place of favor - with good reason. Luquillo's offshore reefs keep the waters calm and tranquil so that families can enjoy the water knowing that the lifeguards are on duty and that rough waters are far away.

Luquillo Beach also has plenty parking, changing and restrooms and has an abundance of souvenir and food stalls. Each stall seems to like its own unique style of tropical music which plays all day long. There are also many colorful kiosk-type shops, which sell everything from bathing costumes to ice-cream and ice-cold beer. Some of them have also transformed into small seaside restaurants where the [menu](#) may feature anything from local traditional seafood fritters to gourmet delights. The variety ensures that the tastes of even the most demanding connoisseurs are satisfied.

Luquillo Beach has been visited by residents from [San Juan](#) for generations and people from all over the world come here to enjoy the tropical feeling that it offers. A vacation in Puerto Rico would not be complete without at least setting foot on the sands of Luquillo Beach.





Wednesday, January 26rd

10:00 – 3:30 Shopping at Plaza Las Americas Mall

