

SEPTEMBER 2005

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 11, 2005 - DEADLINES:

- ☞ **Abstracts:** E-mail to Craig Rothrock (see pages 1-2).
- ☞ **Abstract fees:** Send to Tom Isakeit (page 2, 6).
- ☞ **Graduate student research award presentations:** Send abstracts to Mike Benson (page 2).
- ☞ **Graduate student/post doc travel awards:** Send applications to Christopher Clark (pages 3-5).
- ☞ **Nominations for Vice President and Councilor:** Send to Tom Isakeit (page 3).
- ☞ **Nominations for Outstanding Plant Pathologist:** Send as MS Word or RTF attachments to Christopher Clark (page 3).

January 13, 2006

- ☞ Deadline for room reservations at the Wyndham Orlando Resort, Orlando, FL.

February 5-7, 2006

- ☞ 83rd Annual SDAPS Meeting, Wyndham Orlando Resort, Orlando, FL.

83RD SDAPS MEETING

The 83rd annual meeting of the American Phytopathological Society, Southern Division, will be held February 5-7, 2006, in Orlando, FL. We will meet with the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists (SAAS), who are meeting from February 4-8.

SDAPS registration fees (which include SAAS registration): \$80 - regular; \$5 - student.

The meeting hotel is:

Wyndham Orlando Resort, 8001 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819 Phone: (407) 351-2420. SAAS Group Rates: \$119 single or double; \$139 triple; \$149 quad.

Call (800) 421-8001 and identify yourself as part of the meeting SAAS to get the group rate. Cancellation must be made 72 hours before arrival date. Group rates will be available 3 days before and after the meeting, subject to availability.

The hotel is 16 miles from Orlando International Airport. Hotel Shuttle - Round-trip \$29/pp, One-way \$15/pp. Prices subject to change. Mears Transportation Co, 1-800-759-5219. Taxi cost is approximately \$31.00 one way.

The deadline for room reservations is January 13, 2006.

SAAS meeting details and other information can be found at the SAAS web page,

http://www.saasinc.org/Orlando2006/Orlando_MainPage.asp

** CALL FOR ABSTRACTS **

The SDAPS program will consist of contributed oral paper sessions. Because of the emphasis on poster presentations at the national meeting, only **oral** papers will be accepted, not posters.

Abstracts are to be submitted electronically, according to the APS instructions at the following link:

<http://aspnet.org/meetings/div/instruct.asp>.

Abstracts are to be e-mailed to Craig Rothrock, University of Arkansas, rothrock@uark.edu

ABSTRACTS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 11, 2005

Guidelines for abstracts are as follows: At least one author of each paper presented at the meeting must be an APS member. Only abstracts of those papers actually presented at the meeting will be published and only unpublished information may be included. APS Division abstract guidelines, a sample format, and the division abstract form are available online on APSnet at <http://www.apsnet.org/meetings/div/instruct.asp>.

Fifteen minutes will be allowed for each oral paper, 12 minutes for presentation and 3 minutes for questions. Equipment will be available for digital presentations (*PowerPoint*) via LCD. Bring your presentation in PowerPoint (PC compatible) on USB memory stick or CD. Abstracts not conforming to the required style will be returned to the author and must be resubmitted on or before the November 11th deadline for acceptance. Abstracts accepted and presented at the meeting will be published online by the APS.

PAYMENT FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstract fees are \$45.00 if paid by the deadline (November 11, 2005) and \$55.00 if paid at the meeting. Payments for abstracts should be sent directly to the SDAPS secretary/treasurer, NOT to the President Elect. **Send your invoice (page 6) plus check made payable to "APS/SD"** (with the notation "SDAPS abstract payment") to c/o Tom Isakeit, Dept. Plant Pathology and Microbiology, 2132 TAMU, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-2132. **Please use the invoice on page 5 so that payments can be matched with abstracts.**

Do NOT send purchase orders or direct vouchers. An abstract fee credit for papers not presented at the meeting can be used for the next SDAPS meeting. RECEIPTS for abstracts may be requested at the meeting but they cannot be mailed in advance.

SDAPS GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD

Graduate students are invited to enter the Graduate Student Research Award Competition. A plaque and monetary award will be given to the first, second, and third place speakers (\$300, \$200, and \$100, for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, respectively).

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2005 WINNERS, DAMON SMITH (NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY), SCOTT MONFORT (UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS) AND JASON WOODWARD (UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA), WHO PLACED 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD, RESPECTIVELY.

Submission of Papers Students competing for the award must i.) be an enrolled student in a graduate program in the Southern Division either at the time of, or within six months of, the abstract submission deadline (November 11, 2005); ii.) be a member in good standing of the Southern Division at the time the paper is presented (page 6); iii.) be sole or senior author of the paper; and iv.) present this paper at a meeting of the SDAPS. The paper must communicate results of research in plant pathology conducted while in the pursuit of a degree at a Southern Division college or university.

The \$5 Southern Division meeting registration fee will be waived for those students who participate in the Graduate Student Award Competition. A complimentary luncheon also will be provided for each student competing.

For the Student Award Competition, e-mail the abstract to Mike Benson at mike_benson@ncsu.edu, in addition to e-mailing the abstract to President-Elect Craig Rothrock by November 11, 2005. Be sure to indicate on the division abstract form that the abstract is for the graduate student awards session. The \$45.00 fee for publication of the abstract should be mailed to Tom Isakeit by November 11, 2005.

SDAPS GRAD STUDENT / POST DOC TRAVEL GRANTS

Graduate Students and Post-doctoral associates who plan to present a paper at the Southern Division meeting in Orlando, are encouraged to apply for the Southern Division Travel Award.

The Executive Committee of SDAPS has approved up to five awards of \$300 each. Graduate students and post-doctoral researchers who are members of the Southern Division of the American Phytopathological Society are eligible to compete for a Travel Award to present their research at the SDAPS meeting. Applicants competing for the Travel Award must i) be enrolled in a graduate program in the Southern Division or a post-doctoral research associate at an institution in the Southern Division at the time of the abstract submission deadline or within six months of the abstract submission deadline, ii) be a member in good standing of the Southern Division at the time of the meeting, iii) submit the application form and a cover letter documenting the need for a Travel Award, and iv) request that their major advisor or PI supervisor submit a letter of support. Graduate students competing in the graduate student paper competition are eligible for a Travel Award. Applications are due **November 11, 2005**.

Applications are available on page 5 of this newsletter and should be sent to Christopher Clark, Vice-President SDAPS, Dept. Plant Pathology & Crop Physiology, Louisiana State University, 302 Life Sciences Bldg., Baton Rouge, LA 70803.

Recipients will be contacted by the Vice President prior to the meeting. Awards will be presented at the 2004 SDAPS business meeting.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OUTSTANDING PLANT PATHOLOGIST AWARD

This honor is granted to a member of the American Phytopathological Society-Southern Division in recognition of distinguished contributions to plant pathology. The contributions may be in research, teaching, extension, or any other aspect of plant pathology in either an academic or non-academic setting. The award will consist of a plaque and a monetary gift (\$400).

The nomination must be accompanied by a statement - no longer than 3 to 4 pages, double-spaced - giving name, position, affiliation, and critique that includes the nature, scope and

relevance of the contributions that qualify the nominee for consideration. A biographical sketch of the candidate not exceeding 1,000 words should accompany the nomination. The nominator should prepare and send five copies of the statement and the biographical sketch to: **Christopher Clark, Dept. Plant Pathology & Crop Physiology, 302 Life Sciences Bldg., Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803 by November 11, 2005.**

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Vice President is responsible for membership and assisting with program development for the annual meeting and will become President Elect upon completion of the term of office.

Please mail or e-mail your suggestion to Tom Isakeit by November 11, 2005.

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Craig Rothrock (AR)

Outstanding Plant Pathologist

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Resolutions

John L. Sherwood - (GA)

Local Arrangements

Craig Rothrock

**REMEMBER TO SEND YOUR
NOMINATION FOR VICE
PRESIDENT TO TOM ISAKEIT**

	<p>Southern Division American Phytopathological Society</p> <p><i>Travel Grant Application</i></p>
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Name and Campus Address	Date: Phone: Email: Status: (please check appropriate line) <input type="checkbox"/> M. S. Student <input type="checkbox"/> Ph.D. Student <input type="checkbox"/> Post-doctoral Associate
Advisor or PI:	Phone:
Estimated cost of travel: \$	

In the space below insert or attach a copy of the abstract you submitted for the SDAPS meeting.



SOUTHERN DIVISION ABSTRACT INVOICE
(For direct payment only)

Date: _____ Your Check No.: _____

For publication of abstract by APS \$45.00

First Author: _____

Title: _____

Remit to:

C/o Tom Isakeit,
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Send a check made payable to "APS/SD" to the secretary-treasurer at the same time the abstract is sent to Craig Rothrock. If your institution requires an address on the check, make sure "APS/SD" is followed by "c/o" and then my mailing address. Deadline for receipt of payment is November 11, 2005. RECEIPTS for abstracts will be provided at the meeting for those requesting them.

The SDAPS Newsletter is available on the SDAPS web site at:
http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/plantpath/SD_APS/SouthernAPS.html

SDAPS DUES

SDAPS dues are \$5.00 for members and associate members (excluding retired plant pathologists who are considered honorary members) and \$3.00 for student members. Dues may be sent to the SDAPS Secretary/Treasurer or paid with your APS dues.