WAEA News Update



WAEA Officer Election Results

We had an excellent slate of candidates standing for election this year. Many thanks to all the candidates, and to the members voting. Congratulations to Christopher Bastian (University of Wyoming), our new president-elect, and newly elected directors Anton Beckerman (Montana State University) and Amanda (Leister) Countryman (Colorado State University). All elected officers have a three-year service commitment. We appreciate their willingness to serve WAEA.

2018 WAEA Annual Meeting

Our 2018 annual meeting will be held at the Sheraton Anchorage Hotel & Spa in Anchorage, AK June 24-26. This should be a great location for the meetings, and will give attendees unique recreational opportunities if they choose to spend a few extra days. Reservations must be made at Western Agricultural Economics Association-2018 Annual Meeting (OR copy and paste the following link into a web browser)

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Important Dates

2018 WAEA Annual Meeting Anchorage, AK, June 24-26, 2018

2019 WAEA Annual Meeting Coeur d' Alene, ID, June 30-July 2, 2018

https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/events/start.action?id=1712080199&key=200134DD . Rates are \$215/night (single or double) for a standard room, or \$245 for a Club level room. There is also a 12% occupancy tax on top of the room rate. The room block will be held until May 31, 2018. The meeting will run through Tuesday afternoon so please plan to stay Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday nights and leave Wednesday as a travel day. Meeting registration will be available beginning March 1, 2017. The registration fee is anticipated to be around \$350 (similar to last year), and will include multiple meals. The tentative meeting schedule is also similar to last year:

Sunday June 24
1:00 PM Western Extension Committee meeting
4:00 PM WAEA Executive Council meeting
6:00 PM Reception
Monday June 25
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM WAEA Meeting
Tuesday June 26
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM WAEA Meeting

Following the successful collaboration meeting last year, we will again meet jointly with the Western Extension Committee in 2018.

Deadlines for Selected Papers, Organized Symposia, and Awards

A link for submitting two-page selected paper abstracts is available at http://editorialexpress.com/conference/WAEA2018/. Further instructions are attached below. Submission will be accepted beginning December 20, 2017 through February 2, 2018. We anticipate notifying abstract authors of acceptance by mid-March.

The call for organized symposia and awards nominations was in the fall newsletter ((http://www.waeaonline.org/UserFiles/file/WAEAFall2017Newsletter.pdf). Please submit organized Symposia proposals via email to Randy Fortenbery in pdf format at r.fortenbery@wsu.edu by February 15, 2018. Awards nominations are also due February 15, 2018. Please submit materials directly to the appropriate subcommittee

chair:

Graduate Paper or Master's Thesis: sfausti@csumb.edu
Outstanding Published Research Award: tl_marsh@wsu.edu

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Awards: gbrester@montana.edu

Outstanding Extension Program Awards: haynes@montana.edu

WAEA Fellow Award: wade.brorsen@okstate.edu

Meeting Support for Graduate Students

In the past WAEA has held a competition for travel fellowships for graduate students attending the WAEA annual meeting. At the 2017 meeting, the WAEA Council decided that rather than provide a few travel fellowships this year, we would allow all attending graduate students to register for the meetings at a substantially reduced rate. At this point it looks like student registration will be about \$225, as opposed to \$350 for others.

Membership Renewal

The season to renew your WAEA membership is upon us. You may renew through the AAEA or you can return the membership application form below or online at http://www.waeaonline.org/membership. If you have more than a one year of membership paid to the AAEA, remember that WAEA membership is currently only offered on an annual basis and needs to be renewed.

WAEA Outstanding Senior Award

The WAEA Outstanding Senior Award recognizes outstanding undergraduate seniors who have achieved academic excellence at their institution and are expected to make important contributions to western agricultural, resource, and/or environmental economics in their career. One senior standing student may be selected by each degree granting institution in the nineteen western states of the United States (Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) and four western provinces of Canada (Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan). Each department makes their own eligibility criteria, selection process, and outstanding senior award decision. Award winners will receive a certificate, a one-year WAEA membership, and recognition in the WAEA awards program and on the WAEA website. Certificates are mailed to each department rather than the student. Please send selected senior names and department contact information to Randy Fortenbery (r.fortenbery@wsu.edu) by March 30, 2018.

JARE Editors

As noted in the Fall newsletter, we have an excellent slate of editors taking over the Journal responsibilities beginning January 1, 2018. They are Dragan Miljkovich, North Dakota State University; Anton Bekkerman, Montana State University; Darren Hudson, Texas Tech University; and Richard Woodward, Texas A&M University. All manuscripts already submitted, or that will be submitted before the end of the current year, will continue to be managed by the current JARE editors.

Special thanks to the outgoing editors, David Lambert, Kansas State University; Hikaru Peterson, University of Minnesota; Jefferson Peterson, University of Minnesota, and Tian Xia, Kansas State University. They have done an excellent job and have been actively engaged with the new editors in smoothing the transition.

Have a great holiday season, and we will be in touch next year.

T. Randall Fortenbery

WAEA President

Call for Selected Papers

For the 2018 Meeting of the Western Agricultural Economics Association June 24-26, Anchorage, AK)

Eligibility: Proposals on any aspect of agricultural and resource economics, including teaching, research, and/or extension are encouraged. At least one author must be a member of WAEA. Additionally, by May 1, 2018, the presenting author must be identified and registered for the Annual Meeting and a current member of the WAEA for an accepted paper to be included in the program. *No member may submit more than one abstract as the presenting author, but an individual may be an author on multiple abstracts*. Papers should be original, not submitted elsewhere for presentation, and not previously presented at another agricultural economics meeting.

Paper Selection: Papers will undergo a double-blind peer review process. The Selected Paper Review Committee will prioritize paper acceptance based upon a rank order of scores on a paper review rubric. The final decision to accept or reject a paper will be made by the Selected Paper Committee Chairs. Notification of paper acceptance will take place mid-March 2018. Authors and co-authors that withdraw or do not present accepted selected papers, except for unavoidable emergencies, will be tracked and this information may be used as part of the selection criteria for next year.

Submission Guidelines: Proposals must be submitted electronically through the link provided on WAEA's website (www.waeaonline.org) or directly at http://editorialexpress.com/conference/WAEA2018/. Proposals must be submitted *in pdf format* and cannot exceed two pages using double-spacing and a 12-point font with one-inch margins on all sides; however, references may be included on a third page. To facilitate the blind review process, please do not place the author(s) name(s) on the abstract. Author information will be collected separately during the electronic submission process. A suggested format for the abstract is as follows: Title, Problem Statement, Objectives, Data and Methods, Results or Expected Results, and Implications.

Submission Deadline: *February 2, 2018 midnight (EST)*. Proposals can be uploaded to the conference software via http://editorialexpress.com/conference/WAEA2018/.

Graduate Paper Competition: As a part of the selected papers process, the WAEA wants to particularly encourage the submission of quality papers by graduate students. To this end, the WAEA is sponsoring a contest for the outstanding selected papers submitted by graduate students. To be eligible for this competition, a student must: a) Be the lead author on the selected paper; b) Indicate in the submission process that the paper is to be considered in the competition; c) Be a member of WAEA as of February 2, 2018, and d) Present the paper in person at the WAEA meetings in Lake Tahoe, California. The authors of the top three papers will receive cash rewards of \$500, \$250, and \$100.

Western Extension Committee: A portion of the papers that select teaching and extension issues as the topic code will be included in the Western Extension Committee track sessions.

Any questions should be directed to the Selected Paper Committee Chairs, Cory Walters at cwalters7@unl.edu or Karina Gallardo at karina_gallardo@wsu.edu.

2018 WAEA Membership Application & Renewal Form

Affiliation:		
Address:		
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City, State, Zip, Country:		
Phone:	E-mail:	
Membership erships include a subscription to the <i>Jo</i> are not guaranteed shipment of journal		
	<u>Domestic</u>	<u>International</u>
Regular (JARE-printed copy)	□ \$55	□ \$75
Regular (JARE-electronic copy)	□ \$40	□ \$40
Student** (JARE-printed copy)	□ \$25	□ \$40
Student** (JARE-electronic copy)	□ \$5	□ \$5
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Family (one JARE-printed copy) Other Family Member	□\$80	□\$110
*Retired full-time from their full-time job		
**I certify that the person named above is	eligible for student members	hip
Department Head or Staff Member		