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2007 SOUTHERN DIVISION ANNUAL MEETING FEBRUARY 4-5 IN MOBILE, ALABAMA: ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

DEADLINES TO REMEMBER

November 20, 2006

- ☞ **Abstracts** – Send to Chris Clark, submit by e-mail (DETAILS ON PAGE 2).
- ☞ **Abstract fees** – Send to Tom Isakeit (FORM ON PAGE 6)
- ☞ **Graduate student research award presentations** – Send abstracts to Tim Brenneman (DETAILS ON PAGE 2)
- ☞ **Graduate student/post doc travel awards** – Send to Kenny Seebold (PAGES 3 &5).
- ☞ **Nominations for Outstanding Plant Pathologist** – Send to Kenny Seebold (DETAILS ON PAGE 3).

December 11, 2006

- ☞ **Nominations for Vice President and Councilor** – Send to Tom Isakeit (PAGE 3).

January 19, 2007

- ☞ Deadline for room reservations at the Riverview Plaza Hotel and Radisson Admiral Semmes Hotel

February 2, 2007

- ☞ Deadline for receiving advance registration – Send to Tom Isakeit.

84TH SDAPS MEETING

The 84th annual meeting of the American Phytopathological Society, Southern Division, will be held February 4-5, 2007, in Mobile, AL at the downtown Mobile Convention Center. We will meet with the Southern Association of

Agricultural Scientists (SAAS). The registration fee will be \$80 (\$5 for students), which includes registration for the SAAS meeting. Registration can be paid in advance or at the meeting.

The official meeting hotels are:

The Riverview Plaza Hotel (formerly Adam's Mark), 64 South Water Street, Mobile, AL 36602

Rates: \$109/single or double; \$119/triple or quad; \$150/parlor

To Register: Call 251-438-4000 and request group rate for the "Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists." or click on <http://www.riverviewmobile.com>

Radisson Admiral Semmes Hotel

251 Government Street, Mobile, AL 36602

Rates: \$99/single or double; \$109/triple or quad

To Register: Call 800-333-3333 or click on <http://www.radisson.com/reservation/clearReservation.do?hotelCode=MOBILE>

PAC Code is SAAS.

Deadline for room reservations at both hotels is January 19, 2007.

For more information about the SAAS meetings, see: <http://www.saasinc.org/Mobile2007/Mobile-Main-Pg.asp>.

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<http://www.saasinc.org/Mobile2007/Mobile-Misc-Info.asp> for more information about Mobile and its attractions.

**** CALL FOR ABSTRACTS ****

The SDAPS program will consist of oral papers only, because of the emphasis on poster presentations at the national meeting. The SDAPS meeting is an excellent opportunity for graduate students to obtain oral presentation experience at a professional meeting.

Prepare the abstracts in the format given at the following site:

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

Then, e-mail your abstract to Chris Clark, Louisiana State University. His e-mail address is: cclark@agctr.lsu.edu

ABSTRACTS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 20, 2006

Additional abstract requirements: 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, and the division abstract form are 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 a 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 20th deadline for acceptance. Abstracts accepted and presented at the meeting will be published online by APS.

PAYMENT FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstract fees are \$45 if paid by the deadline (November 20, 2006), and \$55 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" or "APS/SD" (with the notation "SDAPS abstract payment") to Tom Isakeit, Dept. Plant Pathology and Microbiology, 2132 TAMU, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-2132. Please use the invoice on page 6 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 2006 WINNERS, SILVIA GIAMMARRIA (UAR), COURTNEY GALLUP (NCSU), AND SAMUEL NJOROGI (CLEMSON), 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 20, 2006); ii.) be a member in good standing of the Southern Division at the time the paper is presented; 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 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.

Students: e-mail the abstract to Tim Brenneman at arachis@tifon.uga.edu by November 20, 2006, and also, e-mail the abstract to Chris Clark. 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 20, 2006.

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 Mobile, 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 20, 2006**.

Applications are available on page 5 of this and should be sent to Kenny Seebold, University of Kentucky, Plant Pathology Department 1405 Veterans Dr - 205 Plant Sci Bldg Lexington, KY 40546. Recipients will be contacted by the Vice President prior to the meeting. Awards will be presented at the 2006 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:

**Kenneth W. Seebold, University of Kentucky
Plant Pathology Department, 1405 Veterans
Dr - 205 Plant Sci Bldg, Lexington, KY 40546
by November 20, 2006.**

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.

The Division Councilor represents the Southern Division on the APS Council and the Councilor's Forum and serves as a member of the SDAPS Executive Committee and the Graduate Student Research Award Committee. The Councilor serves a term of three years.

Please mail or e-mail your suggestions to Tom Isakeit by December 11, 2006.

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NOMINATIONS FOR VICE
PRESIDENT AND COUNCILOR TO
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Travel Grant Application

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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 in *Phytopathology*..... \$45.00

First Author: _____

Title: _____

Remit to:

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Send a check made payable to "APS" or "APS/SD" to the secretary-treasurer at the same time the abstract is sent to Chris Clark. Deadline for receipt of payment is November 20, 2006. 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/activities/societies/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.