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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

SAEA Election Results

The SAEA Executive Committee (EC) congratulates and welcomes two members of the SAEA leadership team: Michael Reed, University of Kentucky, as President-Elect; and Jayson Lusk, Oklahoma State University, as Director. The EC (especially me) offers our sincere thanks to Michael Wetzstein, University of Georgia, and Deacue Fields, Auburn University, for their accepting our nominations and their willingness to make a commitment to serve our Association. Mike and Jayson will "officially" join the EC after the SAEA Business Meeting in February. Once again, CONGRATULATIONS!!

SAEA Annual Meeting

Everyone in our Association owes special thanks to the following persons who served as Chairs of the various sections: Selected Papers, Joey Mehlhorn, University of Tennessee at Martin; Posters, Steve Martin, Mississippi State University; and Organized Symposia, Hector Zapata, Louisiana State University. Our annual meetings have scheduled 33 Selected Paper sessions with 157 papers, 21 Selected Posters, six Organized Symposia, four Invited Paper sessions, and one Lifetime Achievement Symposium. Thanks to everyone for devoting time and efforts to submit proposals to our Association's meetings.

You may find general meeting and conference information at the SAAS website located at: <http://www.saasinc.org/>, then click the 2009 Atlanta GA button in the left hand column linking you to this website: <http://www.saasinc.org/2009-Atlanta/09-MainPg.asp>. The SAEA meetings (and all other SAAS associations) will be held at the Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel, 210 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, GA 30303 (\$144/night for single or double, \$164/night for triple or quad). You may go on-line at the website listed on this Atlanta Convention website or call toll free 1-800-937-8461 and ask for the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists group rate, which is be available for January 27 through February 6, 2009. **Reservation deadline is 5:00 p.m. EST January 16, 2009.** Complimentary in-room internet service provided and airport/hotel transportation services are available using the Atlanta MARTA located in the South Terminal. Details regarding transportation, hotel, registration, and tourism information can be found on the SAAS website.

Registration and all SAEA meeting/sleeping rooms will be located within the Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel. These meetings and activities will be conducted on multiple floors of the hotel. Something new this year: SAAS is sponsoring a series of multi-disciplinary sessions titled: "Alternative Energy in Agriculture" with the first set of speakers to begin Sunday at 3:30 p.m. followed by the SAAS reception and Super Bowl kick-off. The SAEA will conduct one of four additional sessions in this series at 10:00 a.m. Monday, which was organized by our Past-President, H.L. Goodwin, University of

Arkansas. Please make plans to attend the SAEA reception Tuesday evening that our Treasurer Jeff Jordan, University of Georgia, is organizing at the nearby Georgia Aquarium that Jeff promises to be a wonderful event.

Undergraduate and Graduate Student Social

New this year, after the SAEA Business Meeting Monday evening, a party/social will be held for Quiz Bowl participants, graduate students and their faculty advisors, graduate recruiters, and SAEA EC. Pizza, chips, and drinks (including soft drinks, beer and wine) will be served, with the first two beer/wine drinks provided by the SAEA.

Graduate Program Recruiting Fair

The 2009 SAEA meetings will mark the third year for conducting a Graduate Recruiting Fair. Once again, Departments and other agencies setting up displays at this year's event will be asked to pay a nominal \$100 registration fee to help defray some of the costs of table rental, set-up, and refreshments provided at the fair. Those interested in having a table at the Graduate Recruitment Fair should contact Michael Best, Tennessee Tech University, MBest@tntech.edu or 931-372-3154. Please send registration Recruiting Fair registration fees to Jeff Jordan, SAEA Treasurer, or contact him if an invoice is needed at: jjordan@griffin.uga.edu or 770-228-7231 ext. 106). (See this and other Registration Forms in this newsletter and at the saea.org under the annual meeting information).

Please REMEMBER that NO overhead projectors will be rented for our meetings again this year. In each of the past two years, the SAEA avoided paying \$3,000-plus in rental fees for LCD projectors by employing our Technology Committee to provide/set-up laptop computers and LCD projectors for use in every meeting room. So, the only thing you will need to bring is a memory stick (or "geek" stick) containing your PowerPoint slides/file(s). Al Wysocki, University of Florida, is managing these technology arrangements. Thank you for your continuing support of SAEA. Please let me know if you have questions or concerns. See y'all in Atlanta.

Sincerely,

C.W. "Bill" Herndon, Jr.
SAEA President

ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL COMPETITION AT THE SAEA ANNUAL MEETING IN ATLANTA!!!

Attention Undergraduate Coordinators and Advisors! Once again, the SAEA will sponsor an **Academic Quiz Bowl** at the 2009 meetings in Atlanta, Georgia. Please consider bringing your students to this event! Bring one or bring 20, it does not matter; every student that you bring will be placed on a team! The Academic Quiz Bowl is an excellent opportunity for your students to participate in the annual meetings, and to network with both fellow undergraduates and faculty from throughout the southeastern U.S. We also organize a **graduate program recruiting fair** for quiz bowl participants. Entry forms and other details are posted on the SAEA webpage. The tournament will begin at 8am on Sunday, Feb. 1, and continue through Monday afternoon, Feb. 2, 2009. Contact Michael J. Best, Ph.D., College of Agriculture and Human Sciences, Tennessee Technological University, P.O. Box 5034, Cookeville, TN 38505; phone: 931-372-3154, fax: 931-372-3899, Email: mbest@tntech.edu if you have questions.

Attention Department Chairs, Heads and Graduate Program Coordinators! The organizers of the Undergraduate Academic Quiz Bowl, with the support of the SAEA Executive Committee, hosts a **Graduate Program Recruiting Fair** in association with the 2009 Academic Quiz Bowl tournament in Atlanta, Georgia. Refreshments and a sitting area will be set up next to the Quiz Bowl tournament area. Departments setting up displays and recruiting at this event will be charged a registration fee to support the cost of refreshments. There are typically 50 undergraduates in the Quiz Bowl and many of them are interested in attending graduate school. This will be an excellent opportunity to recruit from a captured audience – every student will be competing on Sunday, and many will be available between matches to talk to faculty about graduate programs. Contact: Michael J. Best, Ph.D., College of Agriculture and Human Sciences, Tennessee Technological University, P.O. Box 5034, Cookeville, TN 38505; phone: 931-372-3154, fax: 931-372-3899, Email: mbest@tntech.edu (backup contact only: James Sterns, University of Florida, jasterns@ufl.edu or 352-392-1826 ext. 222).

(Graduate Program Recruitment Fair Registration Form can be accessed on the Annual Meeting information page at www.saea.org).

2007-08 SAEA COMMITTEES

The SAEA Executive Committee on behalf of SAEA members would like to thank the following volunteers who are serving on SAEA committees:

Selected Paper Submissions Chairs: Valentina Hatarska, Auburn University.

Lifetime Achievement Award Committee: Gary Fairchild (2008), U of Florida, Gail Cramer (2009), Louisiana State U., and Michael Reed (2010), University of Kentucky.

SAEA Distinguished Extension Program Award Committee:, John Anderson (2008), Mississippi State U, Larry Falconer (2009), Texas A&M U., and Delton Gerloff (2010), University of Tennessee.

SAEA Outstanding Teaching of a Course Award Committee: Lisa House (2008), U of Florida, Jaime Malaga (2009), Texas Tech, and Kelly Raper (2010), Oklahoma State University.

Masters Thesis Award Committee: Darren Hudson (2008), Mississippi State U, Michelle Marra (2009), North Carolina State U., and Marco Palma (2010), Texas A&M University.

Ph.D. Dissertation Award Committee: Francis Epplin (2008), Oklahoma State U, Charles Moss (2008), U of Florida, Cesar Escalante (2009), U of Georgia, and Brice Dixon (2010), University of Arkansas.

Poster Committee: Andrew Muhammad (2007), Mississippi State U, Chris Clark (2008), U of Tennessee, Steven Martin (2009), Mississippi State U, and Michael Popp (2009), U of Arkansas, Chair.

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WELCOME from SAAS

The 2009 SAAS Convention will be held in The Westin Peachtree Plaza in Atlanta, Georgia, January 31 - February 3.

HOTEL INFORMATION

The Westin Peachtree Plaza

210 Peachtree Street, N.W.

Atlanta, GA 30303

Hotel Phone: 404-659-1400

Group Reservations: 1-800-937-8461

Group Room Rates:

Single and Double Rooms - \$144/night

Triple and Quad Rooms - \$164/night

Reservations:

To make reservations online go to:

<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=0712144908&key=54096> (if needed, copy and paste link in your web browser). Guests can access the site to learn more about the event and to book, modify, or cancel a reservation from December 14, 2007 to February 06, 2009.

Or

Call toll free number above and ask for the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists group rate.

Group rates are available for January 27 through February 6, 2009.

Other Information:

Check in is 3:00 pm - Check out is Noon.

No resort or service fee will be charged. However, there will be a \$75.00 charge if you check out earlier than your reserved checkout date, unless you advise the hotel at or before check-in.

Cancellations must be made three (3) days prior to check-in date or a one-day fee will be charged.

Complimentary: High speed Internet access in sleeping rooms; local and 1-800 calls; access to health club and pool; and discount valet parking.

Access the SAAS website at www.saasinc.org .

Journal of Environmental Planning and Management

CALL FOR PAPERS

Special issue:

Landscape planning and valuation

This special issue of the **Journal of Environmental Planning and Management (JEPM)** aims at bringing scientific insights to the provision and management of rural, peri-urban and urban landscapes. This issue looks towards gathering original socio-economic analyses on landscape planning processes based on the analysis of the institutional framework and public or private policies. It also looks towards assessing the value of landscape. Both theoretical and empirical studies are welcome.

- analysis of the public / private provision of the landscape,
- the place of the landscape in local / regional / urban development,
- landscape valuation and cost-benefit analysis.

The **European Consortium for Landscape Economics (CEEP)** will guest-edit this special issue. The submission and referring processes are the same as for usual submissions to the JEPM. Hence, contributors to the special issue are invited to follow the JEPM's authors guidelines which are available on the Taylor & Francis website at:

<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/09640568.asp>

Papers should **not exceed 8,000 words** with abstracts of around 100 words.

Contributions should be sent to the editors of this special issue:

Professor Walid OUESLATI

Dr. Julien SALANIE

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DEADLINES:

Closing date for submissions: **21 march 2009**

Expected Publication date: **First semester of 2010**



1st International Conference on Landscape Economics

July 2-4, 2009
Vienna - Austria

CALL FOR PAPERS

Numerous research programmes and publications indicate a new interest of economists in landscape. The challenge of this conference is to give an overview on current economic research on landscape and to sketch the profile of landscape economics as a new scientific discipline. The conference draws on the general assumption that economic theory offers a potent analytical framework to examine and explain landscape dynamics, the possibilities to govern landscape development and related economic opportunities in rural and urban areas. The economic research on landscape covers a broad field of innovative empirical and theoretical studies, such as valuation, economic landscape models, cost-benefit analyses of landscape services, landscape governance, externalities, income and labour market effects, and many others.

This conference is organised by the **European Consortium for Landscape Economics, CEPP**, funded by the French Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development (MEDD). The organisation committee invites all scholars working in the broad field of landscape economics:

- Landscape economics – the Formation of a New Discipline
- *Landscape and Public Decision Making*
- *Policy Instruments for Coordination and Landscape Governance*
- *Landscape Maintenance as an Economic Sector*
- *Demand for and Supply of Landscape*
- *Economic Activities as Driving Forces for Landscape Development*
- *Landscape as a Basis of Economic Development*

This call for papers extends to all researchers working on the above topics, however, does not exclude other contributions in the context of landscape economics.

Please submit the full paper in English and author information (full name, affiliation, address, telephone and fax number, e-mail address of author/s) by **March 2, 2009** to : julien.salanie@agrocampus-ouest.fr (with a copy to walid.oueslati@agrocampus-ouest.fr)

Both analytical and empirical work will be considered for oral presentation; syntheses will also be appreciated.

The working language of the workshop is English.

Full papers of no more than 35 pages with abstract and detailed contact information (on a separate page) should be submitted by e-mail in Word (or LaTeX) **and** pdf.

Deadlines

- . **Paper submission: 2 March 2009**
 - . **Notification of acceptance: 17th April 2009**
 - . **Registration: 29th May 2009**
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Registration fees: 300€ (including conference materials, coffee breaks, lunches and dinners, and a post-workshop tour). 220€ for PhD students.

Contact:

Prof. Walid OUESLATI (walid.oueslati@agrocampus-ouest.fr ; +33 2 41 22 54 91) for details on submission, review and other scientific issues

Mrs. Eva Krickler (eva.krickler@boku.ac.at; +43 1 47654 3670) for organisational issues in Vienna.

SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION
January 31st – February 3rd, 2009
Atlanta, Georgia

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University or College: _____

College or Department: _____

Contact Person: _____

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Student Names (**please print clearly**), as each wants his/her name to appear on the conference name tag:

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_____ 60-65 - \$225 _____ 70+ - \$150

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Tax deductible donation to support SAEA student activities \$ _____

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**Southern Agricultural Economics Association
41st Annual Meetings Program
January 31 - February 3, 2009
The Westin Peachtree Plaza
Atlanta, Georgia
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Meeting room location: The Westin Peachtree Plaza, Atlanta, Georgia

Saturday 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Quiz Bowl

International Room H

Sunday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Quiz Bowl / Recruitment Fair

International Room H / International Room H Foyer

Atlanta Ballroom C

Sunday 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

SAEA Executive Committee Meeting

Tower Room 1201

Sunday Noon - 5 p.m.

Registration

International Balcony (L6)

Sunday 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Department Heads' Meeting

Tower Room 1201

Sunday 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

SERA39

Public Policy Education

Tower Room 1205

Sunday 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

SAAS General Session

Vinings I & II

Sunday 5:00 p.m. - till 10:00 p.m.

SAAS Reception

Peachtree Ballroom

Sunday 2 p.m. - Tuesday 5 p.m.

Selected Posters

Peachtree Balcony (L8)

Poster Presentations will be

Tuesday 10:15 - 12:00 noon

1. **A Quota Market Model of the E.U.-ACP Sugar Protocol** Liliane K. Zoungrana and P. Lynn Kennedy, Louisiana State University
2. **Increasing Agribusiness Student Engagement and Career Interests Among First Year College Students** Joey E. Mehlhorn, Scott Parrott, and James Butler, University of Tennessee at Martin
3. **Biodiesel Industry in Arkansas: Re-Assessing the Statewide Economic Impact** Ranjitsinh U. Mane, Daniel V. Rainey, and Biswa R. Das, University of Arkansas
4. **The Impact of Agriculture on the Arkansas Economy** Jennie Popp, Nathan Kemper, and Wayne Miller, University of Arkansas
5. **Will Biomass Markets affect Arkansas Crop and Livestock Agriculture? Some Preliminary Numbers** Michael Popp, Lanier Nalley, and Gina Vickery, University of Arkansas
6. **Preventative Animal Healthcare: Micropolitan vs. Metropolitan Areas** Scott Parrott, Janet Bailey, Kathryn Bray, and Joey Mehlhorn, University of Tennessee
7. **Understanding Direct Markets: Characteristics of the Farmers' Market Consumer** Allison L. Vetter, Henderson State University and Ronald L. Rainey, University of Arkansas
8. **Evaluating Alternative Irrigation Systems and Water Pricing in Rio Red Grapefruit Production in the Lower Rio Grande Valley** Mac Young, Steven Klose, Greg Kaase, Shad Nelson, Texas A&M University, and Juan Enciso, Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center

9. **Wind Energy as an Alternate to Natural Gas Driven Irrigation**
Bridget L. Guerrero, Stephen H. Amosson, Thomas H. Marek, L. Leon New, Texas A&M University
10. **Management of Residential Water Consumption in Florida: Conservation Water Rates**
Colin Rawls and Tatiana Borisova, University of Florida and Burcin Unel, University of Florida/Bogazici University, Turkey
11. **Ethanol Production, Energy Policy and its Effects in Rural Economies in Alabama**
Kenesha Reynolds and Ellene Kebede, Tuskegee University
12. **Kentucky Consumers' Acceptance of Sweet Potato Products**
Emine Bayar, Timothy A. Woods, Wuyang Hu, and Leigh J. Maynard, University of Kentucky
13. **Evaluating the Relative Performance of Alternative Local Government Revenue and Expenditure Estimators in Community Policy Analysis Models**
Arun Adhikari and J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University
14. **Regional United States Cotton Supply/Demand Relationships**
Donna Mitchell and John Robinson, Texas A&M University
15. **Estimating GDP at the County Level – An Evaluation of Alternative Approaches**
John D. Barreca and J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University
16. **How Big Is the Number and Why Should We Care? An Evaluation of Methods Used to Measure the Economic Impacts to the Food and Fiber Sector from the 2008 Hurricane Season**
Kurt M. Guidry, Rex Caffey, and J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University
17. **Trends in Louisiana Shrimp Industry from 2000-2007**
Latika Bharadwaj and David Lavergne, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
18. **Effect of Biofuel Expansion on Commodity and Food Prices**
Tomas Hasing, Samuel Zapata, and Carlos Carpio, Clemson University
19. **Understanding the Need for a Farmers Market on a College Campus**
Benjamin M. Clark, Tyler Mark, and Joshua Detre, Louisiana State University
20. **Forecasting Water Demand and Value for Corn and Soybean Production in Alabama**
Swagata "Ban" Banerjee, Buddhi R. Gyawali, and James O. Bukenya, Alabama A&M University
21. **Energy Requirements of Poultry Operations: Potential Use of Poultry Litter**
Ernie Bazen, Kim Jensen, Burton English, Roland Roberts, and Jamey Menard, University of Tennessee
- Monday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**
Registration
International Balcony (L6)
- Monday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.**
Quiz Bowl
International Room H
- Recruitment Fair & Coffee Break**
8 a.m. - noon
International Room H Foyer
- Monday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**
Recruitment Displays
International Room H Foyer
- Monday 8:30 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.**
Selected Papers 1
Tower Room 1201
- Title: **Agribusiness and Finance**
Moderator: Arbindra Rimal, Missouri State University
- 8:30 **Will Higher Shipping Costs Drive Us to Source More Localized Produce?**
Tim Woods, Sayed Saghaian, and Lucia Una, University of Kentucky
- 8:50 **Cost/Benefit Analysis of Abscission Registration for Citrus Mechanical Harvesting**
German Blanco and Fritz Roka, University of Florida
- 9:10 **Labor Cost and Value of Citrus Operations with Alternative Technology: Enterprise DCF Approach**
Nobuyuki Iwai, Robert D. Emerson, and Fritz, M. Roka, University of Florida
- 9:30 **The Impact of Mechanical Citrus Harvester Adoption on Florida Orange Juice Production**
Jacob Searcy, Fritz Roka, and Thomas Spreen, University of Florida (WITHDRAWN)
- 9:50 **Sweet Sorghum Juice to Ethanol in Texas: An Economic Feasibility Analysis**
Brian J. Frosch, James W. Richardson, Brittany D. Morris, and Joe L. Outlaw, Texas A&M University

Monday 8:30 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.
Selected Papers 2
Tower Room 1202

Title: **Food Consumption, Safety, and Policy**
Moderator: Michael Best, Tennessee Tech University

8:30 **Do Consumers Really Care about Biotech Food Label? What Do We Know? What Else Should We Know?**
Xi Chen and Bin Zhou, Cornell University, and Funing Zhong, Nanjing Agricultural University

8:50 **Potential Impacts of Food Borne Illness Incidence on Market Movements and Prices of Fresh Produce in the U.S.**
Marco A. Palma, Luis Ribera, and David Bessler, Texas A&M University, Mechel Paggi, California State University, and Ronald Knutson, Texas A&M University

9:10 **How Much Are Consumers Paying for Organic Baby Food?**
Travis A. Smith and Biing-Hwan Lin, USDA-ERS
Chung L. Huang and Victoria LeBeaux, University of Georgia

9:30 **Modeling Reference-Dependent and Labeling Effects in Consumers' Functional Food Choices**
Ningning (Helen) Zou and Jill E. Hobbs, University of Saskatchewan

9:50 **An Assessment of Dynamic Behavior in the U.S. Market for Disaggregated Catfish: An Application of the Generalized Dynamic Rotterdam Model**
Andrew Muhammad, Mississippi State University, and Keithly G. Jones, USDA-ERS

Monday 8:30 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.
Selected Papers 3
Tower Room 1203

Title: **Research Methods and Quantitative**
Moderator: Scott Parrott, University of Tennessee

8:30 **Forecasting Demand for Rural Electric Cooperative Call Center**
Philip Kenkel and Taeyoon Kim, Oklahoma State University

8:50 **The Effects of USDA Acreage Planted, Production, and Grain Stocks Announcements on Commodity Spot Prices and USDA Monthly Price Forecasts**
Sung Chul No, Southern University and A&M
(WITHDRAWN)

9:10 **Complementarities in Language and Economics Argue for a Multidisciplinary Approach to the Study of Economic Phenomena**
Wayne M. Gauthier, Louisiana State University
(WITHDRAWN)

9:30 **Aggregation Issues in Non-parametric Productivity Estimation**
Saleem Shaik, North Dakota State University

9:50 **Time-series, Panel and Hierarchical Analysis of U.S. Crop Yield Normality**
Saleem Shaik, North Dakota State University
Sanjoy Bhattacharjee, Mississippi State University

Monday 8:30 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.
Selected Papers 4
Tower Room 1204

Title: **International Agriculture and Trade**
Moderator: Lanier Nally, University of Arkansas

8:30 **From Coffee Beans to Microchips: Export Diversification and Economic Growth in Costa Rica**
Gustavo Ferreira, Louisiana State University

8:50 **Impact of an Expanded United States Sugar Imports from CAFTA Countries on the Ethanol Market**
Osei-Agyeman Yeboah and S. Janine Parker, North Carolina A&T State University

9:10 **Remittances and Economic Growth in Latin America: The Impact of Human Capital Development**
P. Lynn Kennedy and Pablo A. Garcia-Fuentes, Louisiana State University

9:30 **Is the Bolivarian Alternative for the Americas (ALBA) a Real Alternative to the Neoliberal Free Trade Agreement CAFTA?**
Porfirio A Fuentes and Albert J. Allen, Mississippi State University, and Saleem Shaik, North Dakota State University (WITHDRAWN)

9:50 **Analysis of U.S. Demand for Tropical Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Imports**
Kilungu Nzaku and Jack E. Houston, University of Georgia

Monday 8:30 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.
Selected Papers 5
Tower Room 1206

Title: **Production Economics**
Moderator: Lal Almas, West Texas A&M University

8:30 **Adoption of Technology and Its Impact on Profitability of Young and Beginning Farmers: A Quantile Regression Approach**
Arun Adhikari, Ashok K. Mishra, and Sachin Chintawar, Louisiana State University

8:50 **The Impact of Adoption of Genetically Modified Corn on the Off-farm Labor Supply in the United States**

Sachin Chintawar, Ashok K. Mishra, and Jeffrey M. Gillespie, Louisiana State University

9:10 **The Competition for Corn Stocks and Its Impact on Hog Production: A Locational Analysis**

Joshua D. Detre, Tyler Mark, and Sachin Chintawar, Louisiana State University (WITHDRAWN)

9:30 **Crop Producer Perceptions of Corn, Soybean and Cotton Price Risk**

John Michael Riley and John D. Anderson, Mississippi State University

9:50 **Supply Response of Crops in the Southeast**

Rachel Smith, Patricia Duffy, Henry Kinnucan, James Novak, and Norbert Wilson, Auburn University

Monday 8:30 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.
Selected Papers 6
Tower Room 1207

Title: **Marketing and Industrial Organization**

Moderator: Whitney Peake, Murray State University

8:30 **Forecasting the Texas Triangle Corn Basis: How Useful Are Economic Fundamentals?**

Vardan Mkrtchyan, J. Mark Welch, and Gabriel J. Power, Texas A&M University

8:50 **On The Extent of the Market: A Monte Carlo Study and an Application to the U.S. Egg Market**

Aklesso Egbendewe-Mondzozo, Texas A&M University

9:10 **Consumer Preferences in Purchasing Beef and the Values They Attribute to Branded Beef Products**

Roger D. Hanagriff Ryan D. Rhoades, and Doug Wilmeth, Texas A&M University

9:30 **Attributes Preferred and Premiums Offered for Naturally Produced Beef Cattle**

Job D. Springer, Jon T. Biermacher, Dan Childs, and Deke O. Alkire, The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation, and Brandon Grooms, Ag Texas Farm Credit

9:50 **Carcass Quality Volume and Grid Pricing: An Investigation of Cause and Effect**

Scott W. Fausti, Bashir Q. Qasmi, and Jing Li, South Dakota State University

Monday 8:30 - 10:10
Organized Symposium 1
Tower Room 1205

Title: **2008 Farm Bill Implications for Specialty Crop Agriculture**

Organizers: Deacue Fields, Auburn University

Ron Rainey, University of Arkansas

Kennrett Jefferson-Moore, North Carolina A&T University

Jennifer Dennis, Purdue University

Moderator: Andrew Muhammad, Mississippi State University

Presenters:

1. Daniel Whitley, USDA-FAS

2. Mike Gunderson, University of Florida

3. Duncan Chembezi, Alabama A&M University

4. Ron Rainey, University of Arkansas and Deacue Fields, Auburn University

10:10 - 10:30 Break: Refreshments served near Tower Rooms 1201/1206

Monday 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
Selected Papers 7
Tower Room 1201

Title: **Teaching**

Moderator: Kim Jensen, University of Tennessee

10:30 **Factors Influencing Salaries of Agricultural Economics professionals in Land Grants**

Arby Abdula and Jennie Popp, University of Arkansas, Doris Newton, USDA-ERS, Dianne Pittman and Diana Danforth, University of Arkansas

10:50 **The Professor's Dilemma: Teaching Game Theory in Principles of Agricultural Economics**

Justin Gardner, Middle Tennessee State University

11:10 **Factors Influencing Salaries of Agricultural Economics Professionals in Federal Employment**

Jennie Popp, University of Arkansas, Doris Newton, USDA-ERS, and Dianne Pittman and Diana Danforth, University of Arkansas

11:30 **Case Studies of Successful Small Scale Farming in North Carolina**

Anthony K. Yeboah, John Paul Owens, Jarvetta S. Bynum, and Daniel Boisson, North Carolina State University

Monday 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
Selected Papers 8
Tower Room 1202

Title: **Resource Economics**

Moderator: Olga Murova, Texas Tech University

10:30 **Effects of Hog Production on Air Pollution: Using North Carolina's Policy Changes to Measure Effects**
Stacy Sneeringer, Wellesley College

10:50 **Demand for Recreational Fishing in Alabama Using Travel Cost Model**
Oluwagbemiga Ojumu, Deacue Fields, and Diane Hite, Auburn University

11:10 **An Analysis of the EQIP Program for Lesser Prairie Chickens in the Northern Texas Panhandle**
DeDe Jones, Nicole Gueck, and Patrick Warminski, Texas A&M University

11:30 **Predicting Angler Participation in Louisiana**
E. O. Ogunyinka, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (WITHDRAWN)

Monday 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
Selected Papers 9
Tower Room 1203

Title: **Extension**

Moderator: John Michael Riley, Mississippi State University

10:30 **Role of Extension in a Research University**
Cole Gustafson, North Dakota State University

10:50 **Potential Uses For Seasonal Climate Forecasts For Water Management in South Florida: Extension Service Perspective**
N. E. Breuer, University of Miami, and T. Borisova and P.E. Hildebrand, University of Florida (WITHDRAWN)

Assessing the Impacts of Soil Carbon Credits and Risk on No-Till Rice Profitability
K. Bradley Watkins, Merle M. Anders, and Jeffrey A. Highnight, University of Arkansas

11:10 **Price Variability and the Marketing of Classifications of Goat**
Mack C. Nelson, Xuanli Liu, and Erika Styles, Fort Valley State University

11:30 **Estimating Cotton Harvest Cost per Acre When Harvest Days Are Stochastic**
Gregory Ibendahl, John Anderson, and Matthew Farrell, Mississippi State University

Monday 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
Selected Papers 10
Tower Room 1204

Title: **Farm Management**

Moderator: Scott Fausti, North Dakota State University

10:30 **Management Production Systems and Timing Strategies for Cull Cows**
Zakou Amadou, Clement E. Ward, and Kellie Curry Raper, Oklahoma State University, and Billy Cook, The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation

10:50 **The Effects of Sex-sorted Semen on Southern Dairy Farms**
Brian K. Herbst, David P. Anderson, Joe L. Outlaw, James W. Richardson, and Todd R. Bilby, Texas A&M University

11:10 **Effect of Corn Price on Profitability of Control vs. Phytase Enhanced Diet of Hogs**
Ajita Atreya, Jeffrey D. Vitale, Arthur Stoecker, and S.D. Carter, Oklahoma State University

11:30 **A Long-Term Analysis of Changes in Economies of Size**
Lindsey K. Snider and Michael Langemeier, Kansas State University

Monday 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
Selected Papers 11
Tower Room 1206

Title: **Production Economics**

Moderator: Fritz Roka, University of Florida

10:30 **Farm level Nonparametric Analysis of Profit Maximization Behavior with Measurement Error**
Yacob A. Zereyesus and Allen M. Featherstone, Kansas State University

10:50 **The Impact of Labor Constraints on the Farm Performance: A Comparison of Organic and Conventional Farms**
Florence Ivy M. Santos, Timothy A. Park, and Cesar L. Escalante, University of Georgia

11:10 **Simulation of Golden Kiwifruit Yield and Size Distributions under Historical Temperature Regimes in Alabama**
D. Alan Burnie, Robert G. Nelson, and William A. Dozier, Auburn University

11:30 **Economics of Tillage, Row Pattern and Cultivar for Peanut**
Amanda R. Smith, Nathan B. Smith, R. Scott Tubbs, John P. Beasley, Jr., and John E. Paulk, III, University of Georgia

Monday 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.

Selected Papers 12

Tower Room 1207

Title: **Rural and Community Development**

Moderator: Ken Hood, Mississippi State University

10:30 **Energy Consumption and Economic Growth:**

Evidence from COMESA Countries

Chali Nondo and Mulugeta S. Kahsai, West Virginia University

10:50 **Can a State Funded Rural Economic Development Program Positively Impact the State's Economy? A Case Study Application Using Texas Department of Agriculture's Rural Tourism Economic Development Program**

Roger D. Hanagriff, Texas A&M University and Michael H. Lau, Sam Houston State University

11:10 **Input-Output Analysis, Linear Programming and Modified Multipliers**

Erqian Zhu, Man-Keun Kim, and Thomas R. Harris, University of Nevada

11:30 **Location Patterns of U.S. Firms: From Birth to Death**

Jason P. Brown, Purdue University and Dayton M. Lambert, University of Tennessee

Monday 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.

Organized Symposium 2

Tower Room 1205

Title: **Agricultural Labor Use and Trends in Southern Agriculture**

Organizer: Marco Palma, Texas A&M University and H.L. Goodwin, University of Arkansas

Moderator: Marco Palma, Texas A&M University

Presenters:

1. Luis Ribera, Texas A&M University
2. C. Parr Rosson, Texas A&M University
3. Flynn Adcock, Texas A&M University
4. H.L. Goodwin, University of Arkansas

11:50 - 1:15 41st Annual SAEA Meetings Luncheon

Welcome

C.W. "Bill" Herndon, Jr., SAEA President

Presidential Address

Intellectual Impact of Agricultural Economists

Hector O. Zapata

Plaza Ballroom

Monday 1:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Invited Papers 1

Tower Room 1202

Title: **Volatile Commodity Markets and Their Impact on the U.S. Grain Industry**

Organizers: Andrew McKenzie, University of Arkansas and Gail L. Cramer, Louisiana State University

Moderator: Gail L. Cramer, Louisiana State University

Discussant: T. Randall Fortenbery, University of Wisconsin

Presenters:

1. **Managing Price Risk in Volatile Grain Markets, Issues and Potential Solutions**

Andrew McKenzie, University of Arkansas and Eugene Kunda, University of Illinois

2. **Grain Contracting Strategies to Induce Delivery and Performance in Volatile Markets**

William W Wilson, North Dakota State University

3. **Ethanol and Corn Price Volatility**

Hikaru Peterson, Kansas State University, Philip Garcia, and Scott H. Irwin, University of Illinois

Monday 1:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Invited Papers 2

Tower Room 1201

Title: **Human Capital and Rural Economic Development**

Organizers: Elton Mykerezi, University of Minnesota

Moderator: Thomas G. Johnson, University of Missouri

Discussant: Thomas G. Johnson, University of Missouri

Presenters:

1. **The Importance of Preschool Enrollment for Rural Schools in the South**

Judy A. Temple, University of Minnesota

2. **Do Rural Community Colleges Supply Unique Educational Benefits?**

Elton Mykerezi, University of Minnesota, Bradford Mills, Virginia Tech, and Gentian Kostandini, University of Georgia

3. **Race, Gender, School Discipline, and Human Capital Effects**

Jeffrey L. Jordan, University of Georgia and Bulent Anil, University of Minnesota

3:00 - 3:20 Break: Refreshments served near Tower Rooms 1201/1206

Monday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 13
Tower Room 1202

Title: **Farm Management**

Moderator: Bob Stark, University of Arkansas

3:20 **A Risk Analysis of Converting CRP Acres to a Wheat-Sorghum-Fallow Rotation**

Jeffery R. Williams and Richard Llewelyn, Kansas State University, Dustin L. Pendell, Colorado State University, and Alan Schlegel and Troy Dumler, Kansas State University

3:40 **Optimal Cash Purchase Strategies to Reduce Fertilizer Price Risk**

Phil Kenkel and Taeyoon Kim, Oklahoma State University

4:00 **An Analysis of Geographical Diversification in Commercial Agriculture**

Ryan Larsen, Jared L. Wolfley, James W. Mjelde, and David Leatham, Texas A&M University

4:20 **Evaluating Dryland Crop/Livestock System Alternatives for Risk Management under Declining Irrigation in the Texas Panhandle**

David Lust, Lal K. Almas, W. Arden Colette, and Bob A. Stewart, West Texas A&M University

4:40 **Evaluation of Risk Management Methods for Satsuma Mandarin**

Jeanne K. Lindsey, Patricia A. Duffy, and Robert G. Nelson, Auburn University, Robert C. Ebel, University of Florida, and William A. Dozier, Auburn University

Monday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 14
Tower Room 1201

Title: **International Agriculture and Trade**

Moderator: Jose Lopez, Texas Tech University

3:20 **A Foot and Mouth Disease Induced Model of the U.S. Excess Supply of Beef**

Osei-Agyeman Yeboah, Victor Ofori-Boadu, and Samaila Salifou, North Carolina A&T State University

3:40 **Analysis of the Economic Impact of U.S. Dollar Depreciation and Transportation Costs on the U.S. Agricultural Trade**

Youngjae Lee, P. Lynn Kennedy, and Brian Hilbun, Louisiana State University

4:00 **International Grain Sorghum Trade: United States Beyond the Mexican Dependency?**

Teresa Duch-Carvalho and Jaime Malaga, Texas Tech University

4:20 **Effects of Food Safety Regulatory Standards on Seafood Exports to the U.S., the E.U., and Japan**
Anh Van Nguyen and Norbert L.W. Wilson, Auburn University

4:40 **The Effects of Changes in Trade and Domestic Policies on the Global Soybean Complex Market**
Rafael F. Costa, Yan Xia, Dwi Susanto and C. Parr Rosson, Texas A&M University

Monday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 15
Tower Room 1203

Title: **Agricultural Policy**

Moderator: John Westra, Louisiana State University

3:20 **Measuring the Potential Economic Impact of a Regional Agricultural Promotion Campaign: The Case of South Carolina**

Carlos E. Carpio and Olga Isengildina-Massa, Clemson University

3:40 **The Potential Economic Impacts of the Managed Haying and Grazing of CRP**

Amanda Dickson and Mike Dicks, Oklahoma State University

4:00 **The Impact of the Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) Program on the Effectiveness of Crop Insurance**

Sung Wook Hong, Gabriel J. Power, and Dmitry V. Vedenov, Texas A&M University

4:20 **Impacts of Federal Government Programs and Specific Farm Variables on Technical Efficiency of Dairy Farms**

Olga Murova and Benaissa Chidmi, Texas Tech University

4:40 **Government Decision Model for Invasive Species: Choose the Most Efficient Measure from Alternative Government Programs**

Yichen Zhang, Andrew Muhammad, and Keith Coble, Mississippi State University

Monday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 16
Tower Room 1204

Title: **Resource Economics**

Moderator: Krishna Paudel, Louisiana State University

3:20 **Determinants of Household Hurricane Evacuation Choice in Florida**

Daniel Solís, University of Miami, Michel Thomas, Florida A&M University, and David Letson, University of Miami

3:40 **Study of Evacuation Behavior of Coastal Gulf of Mexico Residents**

Sanjoy Bhattacharjee and Daniel Petrolia, Mississippi State University, Terrill Hanson, Auburn University, and Michael Thomas, Florida A&M University

4:00 **Economic Growth and Environmental Degradation**
J. Wesley Burnett, University of Georgia

4:20 **Can Land Value Taxation Moderate Sprawl Development?**

Seong-Hoon Cho and Seung-Gyu Kim, University of Tennessee

4:40 **Valuing the Benefit of Heating System Improvement Using the Health Production Function**

Zheng Liu, Angelos Pagoulatos, and Wuyang Hu, University of Kentucky

Monday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 17
Tower Room 1205

Title: **Rural and Community Development**

Moderator: Albert Myles, Mississippi State University

3:20 **Employment Growth in the Rural Southeast United States: Do Sectors Matter?**

James O. Bukenya, Alabama A&M University

3:40 **Exploring the Impact of Psychological Factors on Small Business Expansion or Growth: The Case of West Virginia**

Semoa De Sousa-Brown and Tesfa G. Gebremedhin, West Virginia University

4:00 **Relieving Poverty in the Southern United States**

Suhyun Jung and Seong-Hoon Cho, University of Tennessee

4:20 **Understanding the Interaction between Cotton Ginning and Rural Economies of the Mid-South under a Changing Cotton Environment**

J. Matthew Fannin and Kenneth W. Paxton, Louisiana State University, and Tommy Valco, USDA-ARS

4:40 **Evaluating the Economic Impact of Changing Mississippi's Tobacco Tax Policy**

Albert Myles and Albert Allen, Mississippi State University

Monday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Selected Papers 18

Tower Room 1206

Title: **Agricultural Policy**

Moderator: Joey Mehlhorn, University of Tennessee

3:20 **How Much Did Speculation Contribute to Recent Food Price Inflation?**

Vincent Amanor-Boadu and Amber Tyler, Kansas State University

3:40 **State Funded Marketing and Promotional Activities to Support a State's Winery Business: Are There Economic Returns? A Case Study Using Texas Senate Bill 1370's Support of the Texas Wine Industry**

Roger D. Hanagriff, Texas A&M University and Michael Lau, Sam Houston State University

4:00 **Off-farm Work Among U.S. Farm Women: Joint Decision Making and Health Insurance**

Latika Bharadwaj, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and Jill Findeis, Pennsylvania State University

4:20 **Impacts of the Fair and Equitable Tobacco Reform Act of 2004 on Shareholders' Wealth in the Tobacco Industry**

Kelly J. Tiller and Shiferaw Feleke, University of Tennessee

4:40 **Farmer Operators Attitude Toward Farm Policy: A National Perspective**

Tyler Mark, Ashok K. Mishra, and Joshua D. Detre, Louisiana State University

Monday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Organized Symposium 3

Tower Room 1207

Title: **Budgets for Free!**

Organizer: Ken Hood, Mississippi State University

Moderator: Greg Ibendahl, Mississippi State University

Presenters:

1. David Laughlin, Mississippi State University
2. Damona Doye, Oklahoma State University
3. Ken Paxton, Louisiana State University
4. Steve Turner, Mississippi State University

Monday 5:15 p.m. -7:00 p.m.

SAEA Business Meeting and Awards Program

Peachtree Ballroom C/D

Monday 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Student Reception

Peachtree Ballroom A/E

Tuesday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Registration
International Balcony (L6)

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Keynote Speaker Breakfast
Dr. Mark Keenum, President,
Mississippi State University
Plaza Ballroom

10:00 - 10:15 Break

Tuesday 10:15 a.m. - 12 noon
Poster Session
Peachtree Balcony (L8)

Tuesday 10:15 a.m. - 12 noon
Invited Papers 3
Tower Room 1201

Title: **Biofuels: Potential Production Capacity, Effects on Grain and Livestock Sectors, and Implications for Food Prices and Consumers**

Organizers: R. Wes Harrison, Louisiana State University and Michael Dicks, Oklahoma State University

Moderator: Rodney Holcomb, Oklahoma State University

Presenters:

1. **Land Use Implications of Expanding Biofuel Demand**

Daniel De La Torre Ugarte, University of Tennessee, Michael R. Dicks, Oklahoma State University, and Jody Campiche, Texas A&M University

2. **Conditions Necessary for Private Investment in the Ethanol Industry**

Phil Kenkel and Rodney B. Holcomb, Oklahoma State University

3. **Biofuels: Potential Production Capacity, Effects on Grain and Livestock Sectors, and Implications for Food Prices and Consumers**

Dermot Hayes, Bruce Babcock, Jacinto Fabiosa, Simla Tokgoz, Amani El-Obeid, Tun-Hsang Yu, Fengxia Dong, Wyatt Thompson, Seth Meyer, Edward Chavez, Suwen Pan, Iowa State University

4. **The Food vs. Fuel Debate: Implications for Consumers**

R. Wes Harrison, Louisiana State University

Tuesday 10:15 a.m. - 12 noon
Invited Papers 4
Tower Room 1205

Title: **Exchange Rates, Energy Policy, and Outcomes in Agricultural Markets**

Organizers: Darren Hudson, Mississippi State University

Moderator: Darren Hudson, Mississippi State University

Discussant: C. Parr Rosson, Texas A&M University

Presenters:

1. **The Relationship between Exchange Rates, Oil Prices, and Corn Price Over Time**

Ardian Harri, Mississippi State University, Lanier Nalley, University of Arkansas, and Darren Hudson Mississippi State University

2. **The Impacts of Exchange Rates on Farm Input Prices**

Osei Yeboah, North Carolina A&T University, Saleem Shaik, North Dakota State University, Albert Allen, Mississippi State University and Shawn Wozniak, North Carolina A&T University

3. **Exchange Rates and Farm Income**

Won W. Koo and Dae-Heum Kwon, North Dakota State University

Tuesday 10:15 a.m. - 12 noon
Lifetime Achievement Symposium
Tower Room 1206

2008 and 2009 Award Winners

James E. Richardson, Texas A&M University, 2008 winner

TBA - 2009 winner(s)

Tuesday 12 noon - 1:20 p.m.
Lunch Break

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 19
Tower Room 1201

Title: **Farm Management**

Moderator: Ban Banerjee, Alabama A&M University

1:20 **Examining Share Lease Arrangements for Grain Operations in the Texas Panhandle under Changing Market Conditions**

Nicole Gueck, DeDe Jones, Steven Klose, and Jay Yates, Texas A&M University System

1:40 **The Influences of Land Tenancy and Rotation Selection on Crawfish Farmers' Adoption of Best Management Practices**

Narayan Nyaupane and Jeffrey Gillespie, Louisiana State University

2:00 **Agricultural Drainage Management: How Economical Is It in Southern Agricultural Systems?**
Augustus Matekole and John Westra, Louisiana State University, and Timothy Appelboom USDA-ARS

2:20 **Conventional Tillage vs. No-till: Characteristics of Producers and Farms**

Abdoulaye Ibrahim Djido, Jeffrey D. Vitale, and Francis M. Epplin, Oklahoma State University

2:40 **Canola-Wheat Rotation vs. Continuous Wheat for the Southern Plains**

Jason Duke, Francis M. Epplin, and Thomas F. Peeper, Oklahoma State University

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 20
Tower Room 1203

Title: **International Agriculture and Trade**

Moderator: Daniel Mooney, University of Tennessee

1:20 **Analysis of Substitutability between U.S. Domestic Catfish and Imported Fish Using Cointegration and Structural Demand System Analyses**

Youngjae Lee, P. Lynn Kennedy, and Brian Hilbun, Louisiana State University

1:40 **Evaluating the Economic Impact of Crawfish Imports and Bio-energy Expansion Policy on a Rice/crawfish Crop Rotation System in Louisiana**

Youngjae Lee, P. Lynn Kennedy, and Michael Deliberto, Louisiana State University

2:00 **South Korean Import Demand for Wheat, Corn and Soybean**

Jae Hong Park, unaffiliated, and Shida Henneberry, Oklahoma State University (WITHDRAWN)

2:20 **Impacts of China's Food Consumption on U.S. Soybean Exports**

Wei Chen, and Mary Marchant, Virginia Tech University and Baohui Song, California State University

2:40 **The Trade Effects of Mercosur and Other Regional Trade Agreements on U.S. Cotton Exports to CBI Countries**

Osei-Agyeman Yeboah, NC A&T State University, Saleem Shaik, North Dakota State University, and Seon Batson, NC A&T State University

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 21
Tower Room 1205

Title: **Production Economics**

Moderator: Mohammed Ibrahim, Fort Valley State University

1:20 **Rice Varietal Selection in the Arkansas Delta Through the Use of Portfolio Analysis**

Lanier Nalley, University of Arkansas, Andrew Barkley, Kansas State University, Brad Watkins and Jeffery Hignight, University of Arkansas

1:40 **Cost Analysis of Alternative Harvest, Storage and Transportation Methods for Delivering Switchgrass to a Biorefinery**

Chenguang Wang, James A. Larson, Burton C. English, and Kim Jensen, University of Tennessee

2:00 **Stochastic Dominance Analysis of Bioenergy Crops as a Production Alternative on an East Tennessee Beef and Crop Farm**

Andrew P. Griffith, James A. Larson, Burton C. English, and Dan L. McLemore, University of Tennessee

2:20 **Economic Effects of Bovine Respiratory Disease on Feedlot Cattle during Backgrounding and Finishing Phases**

Kathleen Brooks, Kellie Curry Raper, Clement E. Ward, Ben P. Holland, and Clint Krehbiel, Oklahoma State University

2:40 **Cow-Calf Farm Management: Farm Survey Evidence from 2007**

Richard Nehring, USDA-ERS, and Derrell Peel, Oklahoma State University

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 22
Tower Room 1206

Title: **Resource Economics**

Moderator: Patricia Duffy, Auburn University

1:20 **Biological Control of Giant Reed (*Arundo donax*): Economic Aspects**

Emily Seawright, Ed Rister, Ron Lacewell, and Allen Sturdivant, The Texas AgriLife Extension Service, and John Goolsby, USDA-ARS

1:40 **An Energy Cost Estimation of Sugar-Ethanol: A Comparative Analysis with Corn Ethanol Production in the United States**

John V. Westra and Sachin Chintawar, Louisiana State University

- 2:00 **An Evaluation of Nutrient Trading Options in Virginia: A Role for Agriculture?**
Kurt Stephenson, Virginia Tech, Stephen Aultman, University of Minnesota, and Todd Metcalfe and Alex Miller, Virginia Tech
- 2:20 **Amenity Benefits and Public Policy: An Application to the Georgia Pecan Industry**
Doris Sande, Nzaku Kilungu, and Jeff Mullen, University of Georgia
- 2:40 **Land Use Change, Benefit Transfer and Ecosystem Valuation in North Georgia**
Daniel Ngugi, University of Georgia

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 23
Tower Room 1207

Title: **Rural and Community Development**
Moderator: James Bukenya, Alabama A&M University

- 1:20 **Measuring the Economic Impact of Tourism and Special Events: Lessons from Mississippi**
Albert E. Myles and Rachael Carter, Mississippi State University
- 1:40 **Income Convergence and Growth in Alabama: Evidence from Sub-county Level Data**
Buddhi Gyawali, Rory Fraser, Swagata "Ban" Banerjee, and James O. Bukenya, Alabama A&M University
- 2:00 **An Analysis of the Role of Entrepreneurship in Economic Development in West Virginia**
Maribel N. Mojica, Tesfa G. Gebremedhin, and Peter V. Schaeffer, West Virginia University
- 2:20 **Is Income Inequality Endogenous in Regional Growth?**
Yohannes G. Hailu, Michigan State University and Mulugeta S. Kahsai, Tesfa G. Gebremedhin, and Radall W. Jackson, West Virginia University
- 2:40 **Assessing the Impacts of Soil Carbon Credits and Risk on No-Till Rice Profitability**
K. Bradley Watkins, Merle M. Anders, and Jeffrey A. Hignight, University of Arkansas

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 24
Tower Room 1208

Title: **Food Consumption, Safety, and Policy**
Moderator: Carlos Carpio, Clemson University

- 1:20 **The Role of Media in Shaping the Consumers' Food Risk Profile: A Case Study of Spinach Recall**
Arbindra Rimal and Benjamin Onyango, Missouri State University, Dragan Miljkovic, North Dakota State University, and William Hallman, Rutgers University

- 1:40 **Self-efficacy as a Mediator of the Relationship Between Dietary Knowledge and Behavior**
Arbindra P. Rimal, Missouri State University
Wanki Moon, Korea University
Siva K. Balasubramanian, Southern Illinois University
- 2:00 **Factors Affecting U.S. Yogurt Consumption**
Christopher G. Davis and Donald Blayney, USDA-ERS
- 2:20 **Nutritional Contributions of Nonalcoholic Beverages to the U.S. Diet: 1998-2003**
Senarath Dharmasena and Oral Capps, Jr., Texas A&M University, and Annette Clauson, USDA-ERS
- 2:40 **Effects of Self Perception and Behavior on Adolescents' Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Intake**
Fengxia Dong and Tun-Hsiang (Edward) Yu Iowa State University (WITHDRAWN)

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 25
International Room H

Title: **Resource Economics**
Moderator: Kurt Stephenson, Virginia Tech University

- 1:20 **Going, Going, Almost Gone: How the Depletion of the Alluvial Aquifer Will Affect Cropping Decisions in the Arkansas Delta**
Michael P. Popp, Lanier L Nalley, and Gina B. Vickery, University of Arkansas
- 1:40 **Optimal Allocation of Reservoir Water**
Deepayan Debnath, Art Stoecker, Tracy Boyer, and Larry Sanders, Oklahoma State University
- 2:00 **Water Conservation Policy Alternatives for the Ogallala Aquifer in the Texas Panhandle**
Robert H. Taylor and Lal Almas, West Texas A&M University
- 2:20 **The Economic Value of Basin Protection to Improve the Quality and Reliability of Potable Water Supply: Some Evidence from Ecuador**
Samuel D. Zapata, Holger M. Benavides, Carlos E. Carpio, and David B. Willis, Clemson University
- 2:40 **An Integrated Spatial Optimization Approach for Water Quality Management for Opequon Creek Watershed**
Wilbert Karigomba, West Virginia University, T. Borisova, University of Florida, A. Collins and G. D'Souza, West Virginia University, C. O. Masilela, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and M. Strager, West Virginia University

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Organized Symposium 4
Tower Room 1202

Title: **Serving the Needs of the Next Generation of
Agricultural and Resource Economics Leaders**

Organizer: Henry Bahn, USDA-CSREES

Moderator: John Lee, Mississippi State University

Presenters:

1. Janie Simms Hipp, USDA-CSREES
2. Henry Bahn, USDA-CSREES
3. Molly Espey, Clemson University

Tuesday 1:20 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Organized Symposium 5
Tower Room 1204

Title: **Research Needs for the Gulf Coast: What Should Be
the Focus of Our Environmental-Resource
Economics**

Organizer: Daniel R. Petrolia, Mississippi State University

Moderator: Daniel R. Petrolia, Mississippi State University

Presenters:

1. Craig Landry, East Carolina University
2. Stephen Sempier, MS-AL Sea Grant Consortium
3. Michael Thomas, Florida A&M University
4. Rex Caffey, Louisiana State University

**3:00 - 3:20 Break - Refreshments served near
Tower Rooms 1201/1208**

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 26
Tower Room 1201

Title: **Farm Management**

Moderator: Dwi Susanto, Texas A&M University

3:20 **Immigration Policy and Agricultural Labor: A
Study of the Dairy Farmers' Perception on the
Hiring of Agricultural Labor**

Dwi Susanto, C. Parr Roson, Flynn J. Adcock and
David Anderson, Texas A&M University
(WITHDRAWN)

3:40 **Energy Cane Usage for Cellulosic Ethanol:
Estimation of Feedstock Costs**

Michael E. Salassi and Tyler Mark, Louisiana State
University

4:00 **Evaluating Broiler Producers' Willingness to Pay
(WTP) Value for Water Quality Improvement**

Krishna Paudel and Nirmala Devkota, Louisiana State
University

4:20 **Marginal Propensity to Consume for a Sample of
Farms**

Michael Langemeier and Lindsey K. Snider, Kansas
State University

4:40 **Economics of the Variable Rate Technology
Investment Decision for Agricultural Sprayers**

Daniel F. Mooney, James A. Larson, Roland K.
Roberts, and Burton C. English, The University of
Tennessee

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 27
Tower Room 1203

Title: **International Agriculture and Trade**

Moderator: Wei Chen, Virginia Tech University

3:20 **An Empirical Examination of the Import Demand
Model and Welfare Effects for Rice Importing
Countries**

Hyunsoo Kang, P. Lynn Kennedy, and Brian Hilbun,
Louisiana State University

3:40 **Partial Factor Productivity, Agronomic Efficiency
and Economic Analyses of Maize in Wheat-Maize
Cropping System in Pakistan**

Amanullah, NWFP Agricultural University, and Lal K.
Almas, West Texas A&M University

4:00 **Determining the Feasibility of Yellow Corn
Production in Mexico**

Maria Mejia and Derrell S. Peel, Oklahoma State
University

4:20 **A Nonparametric Efficiency Analysis of Bean
Producers from North and South Kivu**

Kara Ross, Timothy J. Dalton, and Allen M.
Featherstone, Kansas State University

4:40 **Impact of Biofuel Production on Land Prices: An
International Comparison between the United States
and Brazil**

Alexandre Vialou, University of Maryland, Richard
Nehring, USDA-ERS, and Jeffrey Gillespie, Louisiana
State University

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 28
Tower Room 1205

Title: **Marketing and Industrial Organization**

Moderator: Ronald Rainey, University of Arkansas

3:20 **Evaluating the Impact of Biofuel Industry
Expansion on Grain Distribution: An Analysis of
Iowa Grain and Biofuel Survey**

Tun-Hsiang (Edward) Yu and Chad Hart, Iowa State
University

3:40 **Forecasting Cointegrated Relationships among U.S.
Tree Nuts Prices**

Mohammed Ibrahim, Fort Valley State University and
Wojciech J. Florkowski, University of Georgia

- 4:00 **Structure and Conduct of the World Rice Market**
Hyunsoo Kang, P. Lynn Kennedy, and Brian Hilbun,
Louisiana State University
- 4:20 **The Relationships of Trade, Economic Growth, and Market Power: The Case of Rice Exporting Countries**
Hyunsoo Kang, P. Lynn Kennedy, and Brian Hilbun,
Louisiana State University

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 29
Tower Room 1206

Title: **Agricultural Policy**
Moderator: Andrew Muhammad, Mississippi State University

- 3:20 **Managing Catastrophic Risks in Agriculture in Developing Countries**
Oscar Vergara, Jack Seaquist, Gerhard Zuba, and Victor Cardenas, AIR Worldwide Corporation, and Carlos Omar Trejo Pech, Universidad Panamericana
(WITHDRAWN)
- 3:40 **The Impact of Ethanol on the U.S. Catfish Farm Sector**
Hualong Zheng, Andrew Muhammad, and Cary "Bill" Herndon, Mississippi State University
- 4:00 **Deforestation in Sub-Saharan Africa**
Malick Diarrassouba, Auburn University, and Inoussa Boubacar, University of Nebraska
- 4:20 **The Compensative Effects of Tobacco Leaf Price Changes on Tax Revenue in China**
Hailong Cai and Henry W. Kinnucan, Auburn University
- 4:40 **Has the "Farm Problem" Disappeared? A Comparison of Household and Self-Employment Income Levels of the Farm and Nonfarm Self-Employed**
Whitney O. Peake, Murray State University and Maria I. Marshall, Purdue University

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 30
Tower Room 1207

Title: **Resource Economics**
Moderator: Mulugeta Kahsai, West Virginia University

- 3:20 **Analysis of Health Expenditures Trends among OECD Countries**
Kang-Sun Lee, Baifu Xu, and Bhaskar Toodi, LA Dept. Health & Hospitals

- 3:40 **Willingness to Pay Estimation with Multiple Bid Response**
Nirmala Devkota, Krishna P. Paudel, and Shanta Parajuli, Louisiana State University
- 4:00 **The Cost of Coexistence between Bt Maize and Open Pollinated Maize Varieties in Lowland Coastal Kenya**
Emmanuel Tumusiime, Oklahoma State University
- 4:20 **Assessing Willingness to Accept Values by Broiler Producers to Terminate Broiler Production**
Nirmala Devkota and Krishna Paudel, Louisiana State University
- 4:40 **The Economics of Small Ownership and Logging by Small Woodlot Owners**
Godfrey Ejmakor, John Owens, Raphael Okafor, and Harry Sutton, North Carolina A&T State University

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 31
Tower Room 1208

Title: **Rural and Community Development**
Moderator: Roger Hanagriff, Texas A&M -Kingsville

- 3:20 **School Improvement after Disaster: A Comparative Look at School Finance, Policy, and Student Performance in Louisiana's Urban and Rural School Districts after the 2005 Hurricanes**
Mark Schafer, Ashley Barras, and J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University (WITHDRAWN)
- 3:40 **Scope Economies of Lending and Collecting Savings: Evidence from Rated MFIs**
Valentina Hartarska, Auburn University, Christopher Parmeter, Virginia Tech, and Roy Mersland, Agder University, Norway (WITHDRAWN)
- 4:00 **Income Inequality, Growth and Health Outcomes: U.S. Counties Evidence**
Ahadu T. Tekle and Cheryl Brown, West Virginia University (WITHDRAWN)
- 4:20 **Distribution of Local Government Revenue Sources and Citizen Well-Being**
Vincent Amanor-Boadu, Yacob Zereyesus, and Kara Ross, Kansas State University
- 4:40 **A Cost Analysis of Rapid Land-Building Technologies for Coastal Restoration in Louisiana**
Daniel Petrolia and Tae-goun Kim, Mississippi State University and Rex Caffey, Louisiana State University

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 32
International Room H

Title: **Agribusiness and Finance**

Moderator: Nicole Gueck, Texas A&M University

3:20 **Enterprise-level Risk Assessment of Geographically Diversified Commercial Farms: A Copula Approach**
Ryan Larsen, Dmitry Vedenov, David Leatham, and James W. Mjelde, Texas A&M University

3:40 **Cotton Price Risk Management across Different Countries**
Qizhi Wang and Benaissa Chidmi, Texas Tech University

4:00 **Predicting Financial Stress in Young and Beginning Farmers in the United States**
Jeremy D'Antoni, Ashok K. Mishra, and Sachin Chintawar, Louisiana State University

4:20 **Precautionary Wealth among U.S. Farm Households**
Cheikhna Dedah and Ashok K. Mishra, Louisiana State University

4:40 **Climate Effects on Rainfall Index Insurance Purchasing Decisions**
James Novak and Denis Nadolnyak, Auburn University

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Selected Papers 33
Tower Room 1202

Title: **Food Consumption, Safety, and Policy**

Moderator: Justin Gardner, Middle Tennessee State University

3:20 **An Examination of the Relationship between Food Prices and Government Monetary Policies in Iran**
Naser Shahnoushi, Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Iran, Shida Henneberry, Oklahoma State University, and Hooman Manssori, Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Iran

3:40 **Food Safety Risk Perceptions as a Tool for Market Segmentation: The USA Poultry Meat Market**
Benjamin Onyango and Arbindra Rimal, Missouri State University, Dragan Miljkovic, North Dakota State University, and William Hallman, Rutgers University

4:00 **Estimation of a Censored Demand System in Stratified Sampling: An Analysis of Mexican Meat Demand at the Table Cut Level**
Jose A. Lopez and Jaime E. Malaga, Texas Tech University

4:20 **Obesity, BMI, and Diet Quality: How Does the South Measure Up?**
Patricia Duffy, Claire Zizza, and Henry Kinnucan, Auburn University

Tuesday 3:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Organized Symposium 6
Tower Room 1204

Title: **The Impacts of Ethanol Development on Agriculture in Southeastern Region**

Organizer: Keith H. Coble and John D. Anderson, Mississippi State University

Moderator: Keith H. Coble, Mississippi State University

Presenters:

1. John D. Anderson, Mississippi State University
2. Yan Liang and Ardian Harri, Mississippi State University
3. Francis Epplin, Oklahoma State University

Tuesday 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.
JAAE Editorial Council Meeting
Boardroom
(CANCELLED)

Tuesday 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
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Georgia Aquarium exhibits open to SAEA members
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

SAEA Reception in Georgia Aquarium
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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