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I want to take this opportunity to congratulate the new SAEA officers: President – Elect, Barry Barnett, Mississippi State University and Director, Deacue Fields, Auburn University. The SAEA greatly appreciates their willingness to serve the association. The SAEA Executive Committee welcomes these new members and is looking forward to working with them. I also want to thank Mary Ahearn, Economic Research Service, USDA and Jose Lopez, Texas A&M University – Commerce for their willingness to run for election. Their efforts are greatly appreciated and help make our association a stronger and more viable institution.

The Annual Meeting will be held February 3-5, 2013 at the Wyndham Orlando Resort. You can make reservations by calling (800) 421-8001. The reservation deadline is January 11. The Super Bowl party will be held at the NASCAR Sports Grille with shuttle service from the Hotel starting at 5 pm. Orlando is a very popular location this time of year, so please make your reservations early!

The meeting program is finalized (go to www.saea.org for details). Thanks to Wes Harrison, Saleem Shaik, Kenrett Moore and Michael Wetzstein for coordinating reviews and thanks to their committees for all of the hard work in preparing for these meetings. We have abundant meeting space again this year, so we will have a full program. See details in this newsletter. We expect to have 41 selected papers, five invited paper sessions, seven organized symposia and 47 selected posters. The program will offer a broad set of sessions and a bit of a new format. The first invited paper session will feature a session organized by AAEA Fellow Andrew Schmitz. This session will be held Sunday afternoon, 1 – 3 pm. Please plan to attend as we expect a great program.

If you have a Selected Paper or Selected Poster at the meetings don't forget to do the following

- 1) Submission of the full Selected Paper to agecon website (<http://ageconsearch.umn.edu>) required by Thursday, Jan 19, 2013
- 2) Submission of the 50 word abstract required by Tuesday, Jan 15, 2013 to Selected Paper Committee if the abstract is to be posted on the SAEA website. Please send the abstract to Saleem.Shaik@ndsu.edu with subject line "2013 SAEA Selected Paper Abstract." by Thursday, Jan 19, 2013

See you in Orlando!

C. Parr Rosson, III
President, SAEA

What – SAEA Annual Meeting
Where – Wyndham Orlando Resort, Orlando, Florida
When – February 2-5, 2013
Why – A chance to network and share your work with colleagues.

Registration is open.

The Wyndham Orlando Resort is an excellent venue for our meetings. All SAEA sessions and the Quiz Bowl Competition will be held at the Hotel. This is our most popular venue for these meetings. The Reception/Super Bowl Party will be held Sunday night starting at 6:00 pm at the NASCAR Sports Grille (Universal City Walk). There will be a student reception Monday evening at the Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant across from the Wyndham on International Dr. The Tuesday reception will be held at Dave and Buster's on International Dr. from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

Wyndham Orlando Resort

8001 International Drive

Orlando, FL 32819

Phone: 407-351-2420 (Reservations: 1-800-421-8001)

Group rates

\$149 for Single and Double

\$169 for Triple and Quad

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS 5PM, EST, FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2013.

Group rates will apply 3 days prior to and after the conference dates subject to availability.

Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-421-8001 - identify yourself as part of the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists to receive the group rate. All reservations are held for late arrival; however, any guaranteed reservations that fail to arrive will result in a charge of room and tax. **Cancellations** will be accepted up to 72 hours prior to arrival date. SAAS has negotiated free Internet access (wired, not wireless).

AIRPORT INFORMATION

Hotel is approx 12 miles from [Orlando International Airport \(MCO\)](#).

NOTE: SAAS has secured a \$4.00/person roundtrip discount from Mears Transportation

Access the SAAS website at www.saasinc.org

**ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL COMPETITION AT THE SAEA ANNUAL MEETING
IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA IN 2013!!!**

Undergraduates and Student Advisors! Please mark your calendars and start your plans for Orlando! Once again, the Student Section of the SAEA will be coordinating the Academic Quiz Bowl competition, and we are hoping for a record turn-out of schools and student participants.

We are again planning on hosting a graduate program **Recruitment Fair** which provides graduate program coordinators an opportunity to meet, greet and recruit quiz bowl participants for their respective departments. The Recruitment Fair Registration Form can be found at the end of this newsletter.

Travel grants are available for all undergraduate students participating in the Quiz Bowl. If you have any questions about these grants or about the competition, please contact **Dr. Corey Miller**, Student Section Faculty Advisor, Mississippi State University, P.O. Box 5187, Mississippi State,, MS 39762, Phone 662/325-0848, Fax 662/325-8777. Also note that the registration fees for advisors at schools who have not participated in the last three years will be waived.

Student Reception Monday night. All are invited to the reception on Monday night, February 4, 2013. The reception will follow the Business Meeting and will start at 7pm at the Buffalo Wild Wings Restaurant.

2012-2013 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 Papers Committee: Osei Yeboah, NC A&T State (2013), Saleem Shaik, North Dakota State University (2013), Mike Gunderson, Purdue University (2014); Jon Biermacher, Noble Foundation (2015).

Lifetime Achievement Award Committee: Michael Wetzstein (2013), University of Georgia; Patricia Duffy (2014), Auburn University; Kerry Litzenberg (2015), Texas A&M University

SAEA Outstanding Extension Program Award Committee: John Van Sickle (2013), University of Florida; Gordon Groover (2014), Virginia Tech; Larry Sanders (2015), Oklahoma State University.

SAEA Outstanding Teaching of a Course Award Committee: Ani Katchova (2013), University of Kentucky, Bailey Norwood (2014), Oklahoma State University; John Park (2015), Texas A&M University.

Masters Thesis Award Committee: Ellene Kebede (2013), Tuskegee University; Valentina Hartarska (2014), Auburn University; Lurleen Walters (2015), Florida A&M University.

Ph.D. Dissertation Award Committee: Steven T. Yen (2013), University of Tennessee, Krishna Paudel (2014), Louisiana State University; Jose Lopez (2015), Texas A&M University, Commerce.

Poster Committee: Kenrett Y. Jefferson Moore (2013), North Carolina A&T University; Olga Murova (2014), Texas Tech University; Swagata "Ban" Banerjee (2015), Alabama A&M University;

Undergraduate Committee: Corey Miller, Mississippi State University, Chair; Lal Almas, West Texas A&M University; Glenn Ames, University of Georgia; Michael Best, Tennessee Tech University; Sierra Howry, Angelo State University; Joey Mehlhorn, University of Tennessee at Martin; Mohammed Ibrahim, Ft. Valley State University; Michelle Mullins-Santiago, Sam Houston State University, Lanier Nalley, University of Arkansas; Derrell Peel, Oklahoma State University; Mikael Sandberg, University of Florida; John Siebert, Texas A&M University; Robert Stark, University of Arkansas-Monticello; Kurt Stephenson, Virginia Tech

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SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION

February 2-5, 2013

Orlando, FL

RECRUITMENT FAIR REGISTRATION FORM

SAEA ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL RECRUITMENT FAIR

Sunday and Monday, February 3rd and 4th, 8am to 4pm

School/Agency/Business: _____

College/Department/Division: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Department Head/Chair:

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Graduate Program Coordinator or HR Director (if different from Contact Person):

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Fee for registering & participating in the Recruiting Fair is \$100.00. Please make checks payable to: SAEA or go to www.saea.org and pay by credit card. If paying by card, please also send this form by mail. Mail to the address listed below. Note: The registration fee will be used to help defer the costs of providing refreshments during the recruitment fair. Our intention is to place all refreshments at the back of the room, forcing students to walk past your displays in order to access them.

Please return this form and payment by **January 11, 2013** to:

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