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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Excellent progress is being made toward organizing the 2009 SAEA annual meetings to be held in Atlanta, GA, January 31- February 3. Plans are to follow the same meeting format used during the past two SAEA meetings that were held in Mobile and Dallas. The Executive Committee (EC) continues to receive positive feedback from colleagues about these changes. Of course, we welcome any and all comments and suggestions to improve the content and flow of the various activities and events which would add value to our current and potential members. The EC is continuing its efforts to increase the membership of the SAEA. Obviously, one way to accomplish this important goal is to increase the value of our Association through improving the services rendered to our members and especially to our young professionals, graduate students and undergraduate students. Directors Larry Falconer, Texas A&M University, and Al Wysocki, University of Florida, are developing a proposal to conduct a social event exclusively for graduate students. Director Al Parks, Prairie View A&M University, has devoted a great deal of time and effort to conceive a plan to attract undergraduates and, in particular, minority students to participate and join the SAEA. Of course, the EC needs your ideas and input in advancing these objectives as we pursue our overall goal to increase the value of the SAEA services and activities. Another anticipated change as the SAEA moves toward 2009 is a new publisher of the *JAAE*. Editors Jeff Gillespie and Ashok Misra, Louisiana State University, deserve our thanks and congratulations for a job well done in investigating and securing the services of Sheridan Press, who will be assuming *JAAE* publishing and technical editing duties beginning in 2009.

**Calls for Selected Papers, Organized Symposia and Posters.** Please join me in thanking Joey Mehlhorn, University of Tennessee at Martin, for agreeing to serve as the Chair of the Selected Paper process for the 2009 meetings. Thanks also goes to Steve Martin, Mississippi State University, for providing the leadership in coordinating the Selected Posters this year. President-elect Hector Zapata, Louisiana State University, will be managing the reviews of Organized Symposia for the Atlanta meetings. Once again, proposals for Selected Papers, Organized Symposia and Poster will be submitted electronically through an on-line portal located at: <http://zeus.econ.umd.edu/conference/SAEA2009/>. The deadline for submissions is Friday, September 19, 2008. This website will be open for submissions after July 28, 2008. The SAEA Secretary Wojciech Florkowski, University of Georgia, will be monitoring proposal submission closely to assure that at least one of the authors is an active, paid member of the SAEA by the submission deadline. Any submitted proposal that does NOT have one author who is a paid member will have until September 19, 2008 to send membership fees to the Secretary/Treasurer. Any Selected Paper, Organized Symposia and/or Selected Poster proposal that does not have an author who is an SAEA member will not be considered. If you have an idea for meeting content that does not fit the traditional format (i.e., pre- or post-conference conference or workshop), please contact me ([herndon@agecon.msstate.edu](mailto:herndon@agecon.msstate.edu)) for the EC consideration by September 19, 2008.

**Calls for Awards.** Please be contemplating colleagues who are deserving of being nominated for one of the SAEA Award categories. Past-President H.L. Goodwin, University of Arkansas, will be supervising and facilitating the 2009 Awards Program. Nomination materials for Lifetime Achievement, Distinguished Extension Program, Outstanding Teaching of a Course, Masters Thesis, and Ph.D. Dissertation Awards should be sent to H.L. Guidelines for submitting nominations for these awards are provided later in this Newsletter.

**Serving the SAEA.** The SAEA needs your leadership in securing the future of our Association. Thus, the EC asks you to consider serving as either President-elect or as a Director or suggest a colleague who would be a good candidate. Please submit names and contact information to the SAEA Nominating Committee. The position of President serves a total of three years as President-elect, President and Past-President with varying duties each year. Directors serve three-year terms where one Director rolls on and off the EC every year. Please offer your name or the names of colleagues to our Nominating Committee that consist of H.L. Goodwin, Bill Herndon, Hector Zapata (see email addresses on the left of this page), Damona Doye ([damona.doye@okstate.edu](mailto:damona.doye@okstate.edu)) and Kim Jensen ([Kjensen@utk.edu](mailto:Kjensen@utk.edu)) by August 1. FYI and reference, membership of SAEA Committees for 2008/2009 can be found on our website at <http://www.saea.org>.

The SAEA EC met in Savannah, GA on June 12 and discussed several issues pertaining to the operation of the Association. One of these items was to revise the Operating Policies of the SAEA to make our policies consistent with similar professional organizations. Another topic was a SAAS proposal being led by Past-President H.L. Goodwin where special multidisciplinary sessions would be devoted to a "hot topic" area, which is bioenergy this year. An announcement of the details of these sessions will be forthcoming soon. So, please be thinking of how your research and/or outreach efforts could contribute to these joint SAAS sessions.

Please make plans to submit paper, symposia, and poster proposals by September 19<sup>th</sup> and join us in Atlanta at the Westin Peachtree Plaza for our 2009 meeting. Our SAEA Treasurer, Jeff Jordan, University of Georgia, is organizing our Tuesday evening social which promises to be yet another excellent event. Once again, please join me in expressing our sincere thanks to Wojciech Florkowski and Jeff Jordan for their excellent leadership and conscientious efforts as SAEA Secretary and Treasurer. Please make plans to submit a proposal and hope to see you in Atlanta.

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

## **Academic Quiz Bowl Competition at the SAEA Annual Meeting in Atlanta in 2009!!!**

Undergraduates and Student Advisors!

Please mark your calendars and start your plans for Atlanta! 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. If you have any questions about these plans, please contact **Michael J. Best**, Student Section Faculty Advisor, Tennessee Technological University, P.O. Box 5034, Cookeville, TN 38505-0001, Ph. 931-372-3154, Fax 931-372-3899, **E-mail** [mbest@tntech.edu](mailto:mbest@tntech.edu) or James Sterns, Student Section Faculty Advisor, P.O. Box 110240, 1183 McCarty Hall, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-0240, Ph. 352-392-1826, Ext. 222, Fax 352-846-0988, E-mail [jasterns@ufl.edu](mailto:jasterns@ufl.edu). Travel grants are available for students participating in Quiz Bowl. Details will be provided in the September Newsletter.

# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

## SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

### I. GENERAL GUIDELINES

**A. Purpose of the Award:** To recognize significant and enduring contributions in scholarship or public service to southern agricultural economics. Scholarship would entail teaching and research, while public service would embrace not only extension but all other outreach activities in government and agribusiness. This award recognizes individual distinguished contributions to the profession over a career.

**B. Nature of the Award:** The award shall be called "Southern Agricultural Economics Association Lifetime Achievement Award." The winners of the award shall be announced annually with the awards presented at the annual meetings of the SAEA. Each recipient will receive a framed certificate and a free membership to the Southern Agricultural Economics Association for the remainder of his or her life.

**c. Eligibility Requirements:** Nominees must have completed at least 25 years of professional service and must have made significant contributions to the profession. This award is in recognition of one's contribution to southern agricultural economics throughout a professional career. The award may be given posthumously. The recipient need not live (or have lived) in the southern region, but must have been a member of the Southern Agricultural Economics Association at some time in his or her career.

### II. NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations must be made by SAEA members and/or agricultural economics and related departments.

Nominations will consist of the following:

1. A statement, not longer than two double-spaced pages, summarizing the contributions in scholarship (teaching and/or research) and/or public service (extension and other outreach activities including such activities in government or agribusiness) to southern agricultural economics throughout the nominee's professional career.
2. A detailed resume of the nominee.
3. Copies of not more than three published works which exemplify research contributions of the nominee and a brief summary of other works which provide tangible evidence of the nominee's contributions to southern agricultural economics; and/or summaries of courses taught, topics covered, formal evaluations of teaching, and not more than three tangible examples of teaching aids or other tangible examples of extension or outreach program materials exemplifying the nominee's contributions in public service to southern agricultural economics.
4. Letters indicating contributions the nominee has made to southern agricultural economics (maximum of 3).
5. A synopsis of the candidate's career suitable for publication in the *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*. See examples in the August issue of the *JAEE*.
6. The Selection Committee for the Southern Agricultural Economics Association Lifetime Achievement Award shall be composed of the Past-President of the SAEA and three members of the SAEA, not on the executive committee, to be appointed to staggered three-year terms by the President. The Past-President will chair the selection committee and will be the liaison between the selection committee and the SAEA executive committee.

### III. SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS

Mail **four copies** of nominations for **LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** by **September 19, 2008** (postmarked, 1st class mail, no faxed nominations will be accepted) to:

**Harold L. Goodwin**  
**University of Arkansas**  
**Agricultural Economics & Agribusiness**  
**AGRI 217**  
**Fayetteville, AR 72701**

**Telephone and E-mail are for information only, please.**  
**Phone: 479-575-2283**  
**Fax: 479-575-5306**  
**E-mail: haroldg@uark.edu**

# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

## SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

### I. GENERAL GUIDELINES

**A. Purpose of the Awards:** To recognize significant contributions of individuals to the profession of agricultural economics, to bring such contributions to the attention of the profession, and to facilitate firsthand sharing of such contributions through the annual SAEA meetings.

**B. Nature of the Awards:** The "Southern Agricultural Economics Association Awards for Distinguished Professional Contributions" are made annually and recipients share their award-winning contributions with the membership at SAEA annual meetings. More than one award may be made each year in each category based on the judgment of evaluation committees concerning the significance of nominated works. Committees shall not be obligated to make awards if no nominee is judged deserving. Each winner will receive a certificate of recognition.

**C. Award Categories:** Awards are considered for distinguished contributions to the profession in the following categories:

- ☞ **Outstanding *JAAE* Article**
- ☞ **Outstanding Teaching of a Course Award**
- ☞ **Distinguished Extension Program Award**
- ☞ **Outstanding Master's Thesis Award**
- ☞ **Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award**

**D. Eligibility Requirements:** Nominees must be SAEA members and actively involved in the area for which the work is nominated. The contribution nominated may be the work of a single individual or group of individuals. In the case of group awards, one-half or more of the contributing individuals must be SAEA members actively involved in the area of the nominated work. Graduate students must be student members of the SAEA.

**E. Selection Criteria:** Selection of award winners will be made by committees appointed by the SAEA President except for the Outstanding *JAAE* Article where the selection committee is composed of the *JAAE* Editors, Associate Editors, and the Editorial Council. Criteria used in the selection process include:

1. Relevance and importance of topic, problem, or issue addressed;
2. Application of appropriate economic principles, methods, and concepts;
3. Appropriate use of logic, scientific approach, method, or process;
4. Contribution of results and/or process to advancing the agricultural economics profession; and
5. Transferability of achievement to professional development of other economists.

**F. Award Winner Responsibilities:** Acceptance of an award carries a commitment on the part of the award winner(s) to attend and share this work, in person, with other members of the profession at the SAEA annual meeting when the award is given. Award recipients are expected to summarize and highlight their accomplishments in a poster presentation at the annual meeting. Poster session guidelines will be made available to award recipients.

**G. Notification:** Award winners will be notified at least 30 days before the annual meetings.

### II. NOMINATION PROCESS

#### A. Outstanding *JAAE* Article

1. *JAAE* articles appearing in the December 2007 through August 2008 issues will routinely be considered by the selection committee composed of the *JAAE* Editor, Associate Editors, and the Editorial Council. No nominations are required.

#### B. Outstanding Teaching of a Course Award

1. Statements, no longer than two double-spaced pages, should be submitted by the nominator to the SAEA Past-President. These statements should summarize the contribution of nominated works with respect to the evaluation criteria listed above as they relate to the teaching of a course of instruction.
2. A brief resume of economist(s) nominated and a brief summary of course covered by nomination.
3. A copy of formal evaluations and description of teaching aids or materials supporting nomination (e.g., VHS videotape sample of nominee's teaching would be helpful).
4. Letters supporting contribution of nominated work with respect to the evaluation criteria listed above (maximum of 3).

### **C. Outstanding Extension Program Award**

1. Statements, no longer than two double-spaced pages, should be submitted by the nominator to the SAEA Past-President. These statements should summarize the contribution of nominated works with respect to the evaluation criteria listed above as they relate to the extension program nominated.
2. A brief resume of extension economist(s) nominated and a brief summary of the extension program nominated.
3. A copy of formal evaluations and extension program materials supporting nomination.
4. Letters supporting contribution of nominated work with respect to the evaluation criteria listed above (maximum of 3).

### **D. Outstanding Master's Thesis Award**

1. A thesis must be submitted by the head or chair of the department where the thesis was presented in partial fulfillment of requirements for the Master's degree during the 2007-2008 academic year which started in August. The letter of nomination should include the author's name, thesis advisor(s), thesis title and institution granting the degree.
2. A department may submit one nomination for each fifteen Master's theses or fraction thereof presented to a graduate school faculty in the 2007-2008 academic year which started in August. In determining the number of eligible theses, departments must limit consideration to theses in the areas of agricultural economics, natural resource economics, rural economics, or agribusiness.
3. Selection will be made from documentation approved in final form by the student's advisory committee.
4. A cash supplement of \$200 accompanies the award.
5. Four copies of a thesis must be submitted.

### **E. Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award**

1. A dissertation must be submitted by the head or chair of the department where the dissertation was presented in partial fulfillment of requirements for the Ph.D. during the 2007-2008 academic year which started in August. The letter of nomination should include the author's name, dissertation advisor(s), dissertation title and institution granting the degree.
2. A department may submit one nomination for each twelve doctoral dissertations or fraction thereof presented to a graduate school faculty in the 2007-2008 academic year which started in August. In determining the number of eligible nominations, departments must limit consideration to dissertations in the areas of agricultural economics, natural resource economics, rural economics, or agribusiness.
3. Selection will be made from documentation approved in final form by the student's advisory committee.
4. A cash supplement of \$300 accompanies the award.
5. Four copies of a dissertation must be submitted.

## **III. SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS**

Mail **four copies** of nominations for the Southern Agricultural Economics Association **Distinguished Professional Contributions Awards** by **September 19, 2008** (postmarked, 1st class mail, no faxed nominations will be accepted) to:

**Harold L. Goodwin**  
**University of Arkansas**  
**Agricultural Economics & Agribusiness**  
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# SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION

January 31 - February 3, 2009

Atlanta, Georgia

## CALL FOR ORGANIZED SYMPOSIUM PROPOSALS

**Eligibility Guidelines:** The purpose of an organized symposium is to stimulate discussion of a single theme or problem related to agricultural economics. Interdisciplinary proposals are welcomed and encouraged. The emphasis on audience discussion and participation distinguishes a symposium from a selected papers session and requires that one-half of the available time be allocated to the discussion engaging the audience. **Proposals in the areas of Extension/Outreach and Teaching/Learning are strongly encouraged.** At least one participant must be a SAEA member in good standing at the time of the Organized Symposium proposal submission. If not, a check for \$30 for a regular membership for one year (\$35 for international) should be sent to the Secretary/Treasurer of SAEA.

**Submission Guidelines:** Proposals must be posted at <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2009> no later than Friday, September 19, 2008. The website will be open for submissions after July 28, 2008. The proposal must include the following items: name, affiliation, address, phone number, and email address of the organizer and the symposium title. Proposals are limited to 750 words in length. Questions regarding submission format for organized symposia should be addressed to **Dr. Hector Zapata, Louisiana State University, Agricultural Economics, 224 Agricultural Administration Building, Baton Rouge, LA 70803, Phone 225-578-2766, Fax 225-578-2716, E-mail [hzapata@agcenter.lsu.edu](mailto:hzapata@agcenter.lsu.edu)**

### Submission procedure:

1. go to the designated website; <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2009>
2. click on "Submit a paper;"
3. in the field "Area", click and select only Organized Symposium category listed toward the end of the list and follow categories for Selected Paper proposals;
4. only PDF files can be uploaded;
5. when submitting an Organized Symposium proposal, list all participants and their functions in the uploaded PDF file;
6. before you sign off, check:
  - that you spelled all names and affiliations correctly;
  - you included all names of co-authors and entered in the field "Authors, Affiliations..."
  - you selected "Area" designated for Organized Symposium (not "Selected Poster" or "Selected Papers").
7. The submission site closes at midnight, EST, September 19, 2008.

**Selection, Presentation, and Publication:** Acceptance decisions, based on evaluations by a committee from among the SAEA membership, will be communicated to the symposium organizer. All proposed participants must agree to be at the meetings, **prior** to submitting symposium proposals. The time allotted to selected symposia is identical to time of Selected Paper sessions and at least one-half of the period should include open discussion with the audience. Abstracts of selected symposia will be published in the *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*. The Symposium organizer is responsible for submitting the 50 word abstract to the JAAE editors ([JAAE@...](mailto:JAAE@...)) within two weeks following the SAEA annual meeting.

### Proposal Submission Format:

**Organizer:** (please include address, phone number, and E-mail address).

**Title:** Symposium title.

**Moderator and Participants:** Names, affiliations, titles, and viewpoints to be represented, for **all** participants. Addresses, phone numbers, and E-mail addresses must also be included for **all** participants.

**Justification and Description:** Why is this topic timely and appropriate? What is the purpose to be served? What are the unique dimensions offered by the proposal?

**Format:** Specify time allocated to formal statements by presenters, discussion among presenters, and audience participation.

# SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

January 31 - February 3, 2009

Atlanta, Georgia

## CALL FOR SELECTED PAPER PROPOSALS

**Eligibility Guidelines:** Proposals, limited to 750 words, on any aspect of agricultural economics are welcomed (more papers on the subject areas of teaching and extension are especially welcome). Papers presented or published previously are not eligible. To submit a paper proposal, at least one author must be an SAEA member at the time of submission, i.e., September 19, 2008. If not, a check for \$30.00 for a regular membership for one year (\$35 for international) should be sent to the Secretary/Treasurer of the SAEA by September 19, 2008. Paper proposals, where none of the co-authors is an SAEA member, will not be considered. No member may submit more than one proposal as senior or sole author.

**Submission Guidelines:** Proposals must be posted at <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2009> no later than Friday, **September 19, 2008.** The website will be open for submissions after July 28, 2008. The proposal must include the name, affiliation, address, phone number, and E-mail address of all authors, the title of the paper, and the subject area(s). Proposals are limited to two pages in total length (in addition to the cover page) and should be single-spaced, using a 12 pitch font and cannot exceed 750 words limit.

### Submission procedure:

1. go to the designated website; <http://editorialexpress.com/conference/SAEA2009>
2. click on "Submit a paper";
3. in the field "Area", click and select only one of the applicable areas. Note that Selected Poster and Organized Symposium categories are listed at the end of the list and are not to be entered for Selected Paper proposals;
4. only PDF files with Selected Paper proposals can be uploaded;
5. before you sign off, check:
  - that you spelled all names and affiliations correctly;
  - you included all names of co-authors and entered in the field "Authors, Affiliations..."
  - you selected "Area" designated for Selected Papers (not "Selected Poster" or "Organized Symposium").
6. The submission site closes at midnight, EST, September 19, 2008.

**Selection, Presentation, and Publication:** Acceptance decisions, based on evaluations by reviewers from among the SAEA membership, will be communicated to authors. If you would like to volunteer to be a Topic Leader or a Reviewer for one of the subject areas, please contact Dr. Joey Mehlhorn, Agriculture & Natural Resources, 265 Brehm Hall, University of Tennessee at Martin, Martin, TN 38238; E-mail [mehlhorn@utm.edu](mailto:mehlhorn@utm.edu), Phone: 731-881-7257; Fax: 731-881-7968.

SAEA requires the authors of an accepted paper to post an electronic version of the final paper in the *AgEcon Search* website by **Friday, January 16, 2009.** Final manuscripts should not exceed 20 pages in total length (including figures, tables, and references) and must be double spaced on 8.5" x 11" paper. Please see a recent issue of the *J. of Agric. and Appl. Econ. (JAAE)* for other format guidelines. Final versions of abstracts (50 words or less) must be submitted by **Friday, January 16, 2009.** Only abstracts of selected papers submitted to the Agecon Search website will be published in the *JAAE*. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dr. Joey Mehlhorn, Agriculture & Natural Resources, 265 Brehm Hall, University of Tennessee at Martin, Martin, TN 38238; E-mail [mehlhorn@utm.edu](mailto:mehlhorn@utm.edu), Phone: 731-881-7257; Fax: 731-881-7968.

### Submission Format:

- I. Proposal format (No authors' names in proposal) - section titles
- |               |                             |               |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| a) Objectives | c) Data and Methods         | e) Discussion |
| b) Background | d) Results/Expected Results |               |

# SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION

January 31 - February 3, 2009

Atlanta, Georgia

## CALL FOR SELECTED POSTERS

The Southern Agricultural Economics Association (SAEA) is soliciting proposals for posters of maximum 750 words to be presented at the 2008 annual meeting to be held January 31 - February 3, 2009 in Atlanta, Georgia.

**Eligibility:** Posters on all topics of agricultural and applied economics are welcome. Previously presented or published posters are ineligible. To submit a paper proposal, at least one author must be an SAEA member at the time of submission, i.e., September 19, 2008. If not, a check for \$30.00 for a regular membership for one year (\$35 for international) should be sent to the Secretary/Treasurer of the SAEA by September 19, 2008. Paper proposals, where none of the co-authors is an SAEA member, will not be considered. No member may submit more than one proposal as senior or sole author.

**Selection, Presentation, and Publication:** Submissions will be judged on the following criteria:

- (a) relevance to members of the Association;
- (b) importance of the work;
- (c) quality of the work;
- (d) clarity of communication.

Authors of selected posters will be given information on poster preparation for presentation at the SAEA meeting. Presented posters will be judged and winners will be announced at the SAEA awards ceremony. Abstracts of selected posters will be published in the *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*.

### Submission information:

Poster proposal should be posted at <http://zeus.econ.umd.edu/conference/SAEA2009/>. The website will be open for submissions after July 28, 2008. Questions can be directed to Selected Poster Session Chair: Dr. Steven W. Martin, P.O. Box 69 Stoneville, MS 38776. E-mail: [smartin@ext.msstate.edu](mailto:smartin@ext.msstate.edu); phone: 662-686-3234.

### A poster submission should include the following:

1. The title of the poster; the name and affiliation of each author along with the address, phone number, and E-mail of the corresponding author; an abstract of no more than 50 words; and the subject matter and primary audience that most closely relate to the poster content.
2. A proposal of no more than two, single-spaced pages (max 750 words) and a font size of at least 12 points. In narrative form, include (a) the problem statement and importance of work, (b) data and methods, (c) major results and implications, and (d) references.

### Submission procedure:

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3. in the field "Area", click and select only Selected Poster category listed toward the end of the list and follows areas for Selected Paper proposals;
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5. before you sign off, check:
  - that you spelled all names and affiliations correctly;
  - you included all names of co-authors and entered in the field "Authors, Affiliations..."
  - you selected "Area" designated for Selected Poster (not "Selected Papers or "Organized Symposium").
6. The submission site closes at midnight, EST, September 19, 2008.

**Submissions must be posted no later than Friday, September 19, 2008.**

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Friday, September 19, 2008.**



# Southern Agricultural Economics Association 2008 Membership Renewal/Application

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*Membership is based on January through December calendar year. Journal subscriptions begin with the next issue after payment is received and end with the calendar year. No purchase orders or phone orders accepted.*

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**LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP** (Based on age on or before January 1 of year applying): Full benefits and voting rights open to those who are at least 55 years old.

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