

Agricultural & Applied Undergraduate Student Section

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SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER

GREETINGS FROM SS-AAEA OFFICERS AND ADVISORS

Hello everyone! The Student Section officers and advisors are so excited to begin another awesome year with AAEA. This past summer, we had a great conference in Anaheim with some excellent competitions and networking opportunities for students. We are already looking forward to this summer's conference and competition in Washington, D.C.!

The officers and advisors are working hard to plan some fun outings for the Student Section as well as some conference sessions. We hope to stimulate interest, increase participation, and promote awareness of our competitions for this coming year. If there is anything our team can do for you or any ideas you might want to share with us, feel free to reach out!

"Agriculture is the most healthful, most useful, and most noble employment to man." — George Washington

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear Chapter Presidents and Advisors,

Thank you for your attendance in Anaheim last year. The event was full of laughter, education, and fellowship with other industry professionals. There were many universities in attendance, and we were glad to see everyone that made it out to California.

The summer is quickly approaching, and this year's officer team is putting everything together for a great event in Washington, D.C. Arrangements are being made for students to see historic monuments and museums in D.C. as well as compete in this year's competitions. Our goal is to have a smooth and entertaining trip for all those who attend.

If any questions arise, please contact me or our Vice President, Morgan Hinz. Feedback is important and all is welcome as we look to always improve the experience. I hope that as we wrap up the semester, you have an amazing one. I know everyone is excited to visit our nation's capital. Travel safely and enjoy the small things in life!

Best Wishes, Westin Cobb

COMPETITIONS

The following competitions will be held at the next SS-AAEA meeting: The Earl O. Heady Decision Sciences Spreadsheet, Student Paper Competition, Outstanding Chapter Competitions, Academic Bowl, and Creative Club Competition. Awards given are \$100-\$400 regarding event and placement, so get started! We look forward to seeing such participation in Washington, D.C.! For more information, please go to https://www.aaea.org/membership/sections/ss-aaea/aaea-annual-meeting

ANAHEIM 2022 AWARDS

<u>Outstanding Paper Competition:</u> The student paper competition gives a student the opportunity to submit a paper that highlights the results of an original research project that the student planned and implemented under the guidance of a faculty advisor.

First Place (\$250): Mimi Rivette, "Reducing Recycling Contamination Using Information Nudge," Louisiana State University, Advisor: Dr. Jarrod Penn

Second Place (\$150): Josie Nasekos, "Estimating Water Expenditures Burden in the Southeastern U.S.," Mississippi State University, Advisor: Dr. Alba J. Collart

<u>Earl O. Heady Decision Sciences Spreadsheet Competition:</u> The spreadsheet competition challenges students to develop a spreadsheet application that can be applied to a real-world problem in agriculture and applied economics.

First Place (\$400): Westin Cobb, "Pricing, Profitability, and Marketing of Wild Caught Alligator Products in the Small Craft Market," Louisiana State University, Advisor: Dr. Jarrod Penn

Second Place (\$200): Josie Nasekos, "Visualizing U.S. Fruit and Vegetable Inflation During the COVID-19 Pandemic," Mississippi State University, Advisor: Dr. Alba J. Collart

<u>Academic Bowl Awards:</u> The academic bowl competition allows students to showcase their agricultural knowledge and work as a team to represent their school.

First Place (\$500): Louisiana State University: Daniel Harris, Mimi Rivette, and Michael Younis

Second Place (\$300): Clemson University: Shelley Lovern, Jacob Stawney, and Emily White

<u>Outstanding Chapter Award (\$200):</u> The outstanding chapter competition offers agribusiness and ag economics clubs the chance to show off their organization and highlight the ways they serve their department, their university, and their community.

Iowa State University, Advisors: Dr. Amy Brandau and Dr. Ron Deiter

<u>Creative Chapter Award (\$200):</u> The creative club competition offers agribusiness and ag economics clubs the chance to highlight a specific project that the organization's students planned an implemented during the past year.

Iowa State University; Advisors: Dr. Amy Brandau and Dr. Ron Deiter

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO SEE, WHERE TO EAT IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

Places to go:

*Via Marriott Marquis Washington, DC

Ford's Theatre – Via 10th St NW – 11-minute walk

National Gallery of Art – Via 9th St NW – 21-minute walk

National Museum of African American History & Culture – Via New York Ave NW & 14th St NW – 25-minute walk

National Portrait Gallery - Via 9th St NW - 9-minute walk

Smithsonian American Art Museum – Via 9th St NW – 9-minute walk

Smithsonian National Air & Space Museum – Via 9th St NW – 24-minute walk

Smithsonian National Museum of American History – Via New York Ave NW & 13th St NW – 22-minute walk

Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History – Via 10th St NW – 18-minute walk

United States Botanic Garden – Via 9th St NW & Pennsylvania Ave NW – 31-minute walk

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum – Via New York Ave NW & 14th St NW – 30-minute walk

Things to see:

*Via Marriott Marquis Washington, DC

National Monuments Self-Guided Walking Tour:

Start at Washington Monument – Via New York Ave NW & 15th St – 29-minute walk

North: German-American Friendship Garden, The White House

West: Constitution Gardens, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Reflecting Pool, Lincoln Memorial, Korean War Veterans Memorial, World War II Memorial

Southwest: Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial, Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial

South: Thomas Jefferson Memorial

Start: United States Capitol - Via Massachusetts Ave NW & New Jersey Ave NW - 30-minute walk

East: Library of Congress, Supreme Court of the United States

Where to eat:

Brunch and Lunch:

All Purpose Shaw – Brunch Specialties & Pizza – Sat – Sun 10:00 AM – 2:30 PM

The Delegate – New American – 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Pearl's bagels – Bagels & Sandwiches – 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Seylou Bakery & Mill – Bakery – Sat – Sun 8:00~AM - 4:00~PM

Unconventional Diner – Modern Comfort – 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Yardbird - American Comfort - 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Dinner:

All Purpose Shaw - Pizza - 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Alta Strada - Italian - 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Bar Chinois - Chinese - Sat 5:00 PM - 2:00 AM, Sun 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

The Delegate – New American – 3:00 PM – 10:00 PM

El Sol Resturante & Tequileria – Mexican – 10:30 AM – 11:30 PM

Parlour Victoria – American – 11:30 AM – 10:00 PM

Unconventional Diner – Modern Comfort – 4:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Yardbird - American Comfort - 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Rooftop Patio (21+):

The Delegate Rooftop – New American – 4:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Summit Rooftop at Conrad - Small Plates - Sat 4:30 PM - 10:00 PM, Sun 2:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Wild Days - Small Plates - Sat 4:00 PM - 2:00 AM, Sun - Tues 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM

2023 AAEA ANNUAL MEETING

Are you ready to celebrate the 105th year with AAEA? We are excited to send a warm welcome and invitation to the 2023 AAEA annual meeting in Washington, D.C. The meeting this year will occur July 23 -25, 2023 at the Marriott Marquis.

We look forward to seeing all new and returning members in Washington, D.C. this summer!

Undergraduate Student Section Officers

AAEA Student Section Events:

Academic Bowl Orientation/Mixer Sunday, July 23

Academic Bowl, Monday, July 24 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Student Section Business Meeting Monday, July 24

Official business, election of 2023 – 2024 Student Section officers

2022-2023 STUDENT SECTION OFFICERS

President:

Westin Cobb

Hometown: Pine Grove, LA

College: Louisiana State University, Class of 2023

Major: Agricultural Business: Rural Development

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Hometown: Hanna, IN

College: Purdue University, Class of 2024

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