

August 2019 Newsletter

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P-IE Pollinator Video Contest

Calling all pollinator/pollination researchers and educators – the P-IE Pollinator Video Contest is on for 2019! Create and submit a 3-5 min video on: 1) pollinator/pollination biology and ecology, or 2) pollinator research program highlights. Cash prizes will be awarded to the first- (\$500) and second-place (\$250) winners in each video category. Winning and honorable mention videos will be posted on the P-IE Pollinator Video webpage, and highlights shared at the P-IE Networking Session in St. Louis (Monday, November 18, at 3:00 pm). Submit your pollinator videos here. Questions? Send an email to pievideocontest@gmail.com.

P-IE Student Award Winners

Congratulations to our student award winners for 2019! Come to the P-IE Networking Session in St. Louis (Monday, November 18, afternoon) to celebrate their accomplishments.

Undergraduate Student Achievement in Entomology Award

Keyla Pruett, Louisiana State University (Rodrigo Diaz & Ian Knight, advisors)

Marco Pounce, Kalamazoo College (Rob Morrison, advisor)

Taylor Van Winkle, Kalamazoo College (Rob Morrison, advisor)

Kenneth and Barbara Stark's Plant Resistance to Insects Graduate Student Award

Hillary Fischer, University of Arkansas (Fiona Goggin, advisor)

Master's Student Achievement in Entomology Award

Rachel Wilkins, Kansas State University (Rob Morrison, advisor)

ESA Annual Meeting Volunteers Needed

Thank you to the many generous volunteers who have already signed up to assist with P-IE student competition and ten-minute paper sessions. P-IE still needs **20 more student competition judges** (oral and poster presentations). All student sessions are held on Monday, November 18. Please contact <u>Diane Alston</u> if you would like to volunteer – please include "ESA volunteer" in the subject line. Thank you for your help!

Get Involved: The P-IE Networking Session needs student volunteers to assist with the annual business meeting. Volunteers are a crucial component to the meeting and we would be grateful for your time. If interested, please contact Anh Tran and include "P-IE Session Volunteer" in the subject line. Thanks for your assistance and support!

New Activities at P-IE Networking Session: Plan to Attend!

Join your colleagues and friends at the P-IE networking session in St. Louis on Monday, November 18. The session will include two engaging activities: 1) speed-networking and 2) hot topic discussions. A presentation on the outcomes and lessons learned at the summer pest resistance management Science Policy Field Tour will follow the brief business meeting, award presentations, and pollinator video contest winners. As always, there will be pie and beverages, and raffle prizes. The two active-learning events will run concurrently with open networking and refreshments. Plan to participate and enjoy the company of your fellow P-IE members.

Speed-networking: One-on-one conversations among established and junior entomologists seeking job opportunities in academia, industry, government, and NGOs. Move to a new conversation after the 5-min bell. Contact <u>Jeff Bradshaw</u> and <u>Nick Larson</u> to participate.

Hot Topics: Topics will be provided for debate and discussion in small groups. The topics will be fun, useful, unusual or simply intellectual, and highlight timely P-IE issues. Contact David Onstad to contribute hot topics.

ESA Elections: Vote by August 21, Select New Section Leaders

Entomological Society of America elections close on Wednesday, August 21. Be sure to make your voice count toward selecting future society leaders.

Submit Proposals for 2020 Science Policy Events

Final call for submission of Science Policy Event proposals for 2020. The **proposal deadline has been extended to August 22, 2019**. These should be collaborative events that promote learning and engagement in timely topics that challenge the plant-insect ecosystem science arena. The P-IE Tour Oversight Committee composed of Johanna Elsensohn and Tom Anderson are excited to assist with event ideas and proposals. Contact <u>Johanna</u> and <u>Tom</u> with questions and for feedback on event ideas. Examples of past science policy events, activity guidelines, and example budgets and stakeholder invitation letters are posted on the <u>P-IE Tour Resources</u> webpage. Submit your ideas for novel and engaging science policy educational events for 2020. Submit your proposals to <u>Diane</u> Alston.

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