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Plant-Insect Ecosystems Section

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P-IE Awards: Upcoming deadlines

Few days remain for submission of nominations of P-IE Professional and Graduate Awards – set aside some time and get your nominations in!

P-IE Professional Awards - extended deadline July 31

- Plant-Insect Ecosystems Lifetime Achievement Award in Entomology (previously known as P-IE Legends of Entomology Award). Details available at: <http://www.entsoc.org/p-ie-achievement>.
- Integrated Pest Management Team Award. Details available at: <http://www.entsoc.org/ipmteamaward>.

P-IE Graduate Awards - deadline extended to August 17

- P-IE Master's Student Achievement in Entomology Award. Details available at: <http://www.entsoc.org/masters-student-achievement>.
- Kenneth and Barbara Starks Plant Resistance to Insects Graduate Student Award. Award details available at: <http://www.entsoc.org/starks>.

ESA and P-IE Elections - deadline August 15!

Cast your electronic ballot (http://entsoc.org/about_esa/governance/voting-instructions) in the current election! Candidates for ESA, P-IE and other sections, Eastern, International and Southwestern Branches and Certification Board positions, and Honorary Members are seeking your votes. You can cast your vote until **August 15, 11.59 PM Eastern Time**.

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Bios of all candidates are available at: http://www.entsoc.org/about_esa/governance/2015-2016-elections-nominees.

ESA 2015 - Judges Sought for P-IE Student Competitions

Thank you P-IE members (numbers in parentheses) that have confirmed their willingness and availability to serve as moderators during ESA 2015 - 10-minute student competitions (25), 3 minute student competitions (1) and ten-minute general (28).

We are now seeking 81 judges for the oral and poster student competitions. If you have *firm plans* to attend ESA 2015, wish to serve as a P-IE judge, and have not yet done so, please contact P-IE VP Fred Musser (FMusser@entomology.msstate.edu) with the following information:

1. Confirmation that you will be available to judge on Monday November 16
2. Confirmation that you are not a student member. Students cannot serve as judges for the student competition
3. Your preference, if any, for serving as a judge for:
 - i. Oral presentations (8 am to Noon, Monday November 16)
 - ii. Poster presentations (any time Monday November 16)
4. Submission # or name(s) of students in the student competitions on whose presentations you are a co-author:
 - a. Ten minute
 - b. Poster

P-IE greatly values the contributions of members serving as moderators or judges. In appreciation of the time and effort devoted to such service, each year, one P-IE Networking session raffle prize is set aside *exclusively* for P-IE judges and moderators.

Voice your Opinion!

EPA has extended the comment period deadline s for the following:

Pesticides Risk Management Approach to Identifying Options for Protecting the Monarch Butterfly (<http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0389-0037>).

Extended deadline: **August 24, 2015**

Mitigation of Exposure to Bees from Acutely Toxic Pesticide Products (<http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0818-0146>). Extended deadline: **August 31, 2015**

Members are encouraged to periodically check for EPA proposals open for comments at: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!home>

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