

Entomological Society of America

Plant-Insect Ecosystems Section

September 2015 Newsletter



<http://www.entsoc.org/pie>

P-IE Graduate Award Winners

Thanks to Advisors/Mentors for the many nominations for the 2015 P-IE Graduate Awards. The winners:

Plant-Insect Ecosystems Master's Student Achievement in Entomology Award

- Ian G. Lane, University of Minnesota

Kenneth and Barbara Starks Plant Resistance to Insects Graduate Student Award

- Anthony Hanson, University of Minnesota

Congratulations, Ian and Anthony! P-IE Graduate Awards, along with other P-IE Awards, will be presented at ESA 2015 during the Monday (November 16) networking session.

ESA 2015

Judges Sought for P-IE Student Competitions

A few judges are still being sought for the oral and poster student competitions. If interested, contact P-IE VP Fred Musser (FMusser@entomology.msstate.edu) **right away!**

As in past years, one P-IE raffle prize will be set aside *exclusively* for P-IE judges and moderators. Members have to be present at the Monday afternoon P-IE Networking Session to win!

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P-IE Networking Session Communication Symposium

Monday, November 16, 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Convention Center, 200 A-E

Mark your calendars for the Monday afternoon P-IE Networking Session which will include award presentations, and an exciting symposium entitled: **Effective Communication: How to Avoid Pie in Your face!**

Presenters:

- Philip J. Eppard Monsanto Company, St Louis, MO
- Paul Axtell, President Contextual Program Designs, Prior Lake, MN
- Josephine Marcotty. Minneapolis Star Tribune, Minneapolis MN

The networking session will end with the drawing of prizes and a social with light refreshments including pies and a cash bar. Plan to be there!!!

P-IE Member Feedback Session - Note new timing

Wednesday, November 18, 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM, Hyatt Regency, Skyway Suite AB

For facilitating your participation, the P-IE member feedback session will be held on **Wednesday morning** (*not* the afternoon as in recent years). Members can enjoy light refreshments while providing feedback on P-IE activities, and discussing plans for 2016.

Marketing for Scientists Workshop

Wednesday, November 18, 8:15 AM - 9:45 AM, Convention Center, 208 AB

Sign up for this exciting workshop to be run by Dr. Marc Kuchner, astrophysicist and author of “*Marketing for Scientists*”. The workshop, partly sponsored by P-IE, will show you how to get your ideas across while maintaining integrity and building an outstanding reputation! You can register for the workshop when you register for ESA 2015, or add it later on. For details contact P-IE member Rayda Krell at: rayda.krell@earthlink.net

Upcoming Meeting Deadlines:

ICE – 2016

- Submissions for scientific paper and student competition presentations are due early next year - deadline **February 1, 2016**

Check the ICE August newsletter (<http://ice2016orlando.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/August2015News.pdf>) for other deadlines and updates.

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