DATES AND DEADLINES

EXTENDED DEADLINE June 1, 2012: Application for S06 Soil and Water Conservation Scholarship (details below).

June 19, 2012: Early Registration/Housing Open

July 27, 2012: Abstract editing deadline. Authors will not be able to access their abstract after this date to make any edits. Please be sure your abstract reflects how it should be printed.

Late June, 2012: Presentation notification. You will be notified of your presentation date and time in late June.

August 17, 2012: Nominations for S06 Young Scholar award are due. (details below).

NEWS AND HIGHLIGHTS

Soil and Water Conservation Scholarship. The S06 Soil and Water Conservation scholarship is meant encourage current students to consider a career in soil and water conservation. The student can be a junior or senior in a B.S. program or a M.S. candidate. In all cases, the student must exhibit class room activities, special studies, or work experience in the field of soil and water conservation and be pursuing a degree and career in soil and water conservation. The recipient receives a \$3000 award designed to assist the student with education expenses associated with pursuing a career in soil and water conservation. In addition, \$500 will be awarded to the student awardee's major professor to encourage the continued mentoring of the student in the field of soil and water conservation.

To apply, please submit a one-page, 450 words maximum, vision of the vital efforts required in soil and water conservation to maintain the sustainable production of our agricultural goods and services and to protect the quality of our natural resources. Applications are due to the award committee chair by **June 1, 2012**. The requested materials should be sent to: Dr. Jerry Lemunyon via email at: jerry.lemunyon@ftw.usda.gov

<u>Young Scholar Award.</u> This award recognizes new scientists who have made an outstanding contribution in the area of Soil and Water Management and Conservation. Nominees must have received their Ph.D. within the past seven years.

Please submit your nominations by **August 17, 2012**. Nomination instructions and form can be download from the S06 website. Nominations should be sent to Dr. Mark Liebig via e-mail at: mark.liebig@ars.usda.gov.

FOCUS ON THE ANNUAL MEETING

Recently oral and poster sessions were tentatively scheduled for the annual meeting. There were a combined 16 oral and posters Soil and Water Management and Conservation sessions scheduled for the upcoming meeting. Preliminary numbers indicate that SSSA members submitted 103 oral presentations and 128 poster presentations to Soil and Water Management and Conservation.

For the latest news and notes about the annual meeting visit the societies website: https://www.soils.org/meetings/am

Annual Meeting Oral Sessions

- Agricultural Management Practices Impact on Soil Carbon and Nitrogen Pools and Soil Quality Dynamics: I
- Bioenergy Crops and their Impacts on Crop Production, Soil and Environmental Quality: I
- Cover Crops: Management and Impacts on Agroecosystems and the Environment: I
- General Soil and Water Management and Conservation: I
- Nitrogen-Use Efficiency, Nitrogen Leaching, and Nitrous Oxide Emissions as Influenced by Management Practices: I
- Symposium Role of Soil Management in Addressing Climate Change: I
- Symposium Food Security: Conservation, Inputs and Technology (Joint Symposium with Soil and Water Conservation Society)
- Impact of Soil Management on Soil Quality
- Soil Management: Tillage Systems
- Water Management and Conservation: I
- Water and Irrigation Management

Annual Meeting Poster Sessions

- Agricultural Management Practices Impact On Soil Carbon and Nitrogen Pools and Soil Quality Dynamics: II
- Bioenergy Crops and Their Impacts On Crop Production, Soil and Environmental Quality: II
- Cover Crops: Management and Impacts On Agroecosystems and the Environment: II
- General Soil and Water Management and Conservation: II
- Nitrogen-Use Efficiency, Nitrogen Leaching, and Nitrous Oxide Emissions As Influenced by Management Practices: II

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