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Letter From the President

A very Happy New Year to all of you! 2006 passed very quickly and now suddenly 2007 is upon us. Your PAA Executive Committee has been communicating monthly teleconferences since September of 2006 to keep issues moving for our Association. Currently our biggest issue is to finalize our evaluation of the Springer proposal to publish the journal for us. We will conclude our evaluation and move to send an e-mail ballot was sent to all of the PAA membership by the end of January 2007.

The executive committee will meet on January 8th, 2007 at the National Potato Council annual meeting in California. We have been invited to speak to the NPC

executive committee to help strengthen our ties with this important grower group.

We continue to struggle with maintaining our current membership and I would again ask each of you to bring one new member into the PAA in 2007. We will have a new website for all to preview at the annual meeting in Idaho Falls. The preliminary outline for it is very exciting and I look forward to the finished product.

Lastly we will continue to move forward on your behalf to align ourselves with the European Association of Potato Research wherever possible.

Sincerely,
Sam Thornton
PAA President 2006-2007

Dates

February

8-9: Potatoes NB Potato Conf & Trade Show 2007. Info: 506-276-1820; kyla@potatoes.nb.com; <http://www.potatoesnb.com>

14-15: "Potato Virus Disease Control" mtg. Info: Juan Manuel Alvarez, jalvarez@uidaho.edu

20: NPPGA Ann Mtg, Grand Forks, ND. Info: 218-773-3633

21-22: Intl Crop Expo, Grand Forks, ND. Info: 218-773-3633

Feb. 21-Mar 1: Potato Ind Leadership Prog. Info: 715-623-7683

March

7-10: USPB Chip Sem 2007. AZ Golf Resort & Conf Ctr, Mesa, AZ. Info: www.uspotatoes.com

14-15: NE Potato Tech Forum, Delta Prince Edward Hotel, Charlottetown, PEI. Info: Rachael Cheverie, 866-734-3276 or rmcheverie@gov.pe.ca

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ASP Calender of Events

2007-2010: Not just APS meetings, but all venues. You can add your own meetings to their calendar. <http://www.apsnet.org/meetings/calendar.asp>

Second Call for Papers

This is the SECOND and FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS to be presented at the 91st Annual Meeting of The Potato Association of America. This meeting will be held August 12-16, 2007 at the Shilo Inn, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

PAA members are invited to present papers dealing with all facets of the potato industry. Farm-friendly submissions suitable for an industry-oriented half-day session are encouraged. Graduate students who are PAA members are encouraged to enter the Frank Haynes Graduate Student Research Award Competition. Authors are required to submit abstracts for papers they wish to present, whether orally, as a poster or in the Frank Haynes Graduate Student Research Competition.

Submit abstracts as an e-mail attachment to loretta.mikitzel@gnb.ca with "PAA Abstract" as the e-mail subject. Abstracts will be accepted until March 16, 2007. Abstracts submitted after that date will be returned to the author.

The abstracts for all papers (oral, poster and graduate student competition) presented at the Annual Meeting will be published in a post-meeting issue of the *American Journal of Potato Research*. Abstracts of papers listed in the meeting program, but not presented, will not be published in the AJPR.

At the annual meeting, all oral paper presentations will be of a uniform 15-minute length. Authors should plan a 12- to 14-minute presentation with the balance of time devoted to questions. Computer projectors will be available for PowerPoint presentations. Display boards (4 ft x 3 ft or 122 cm x 91 cm) will be provided for the poster papers.

Prior to submitting your abstract, please read and follow the formatting guidelines posted on the conference website: <http://www.conferences.uidaho.edu/PAA>.

Abstract submission checklist:

- Combination of title, author(s) and abstract body not to exceed 2,000 characters, including spaces
- Name of presenting author underlined
- PAA Membership Number (at least one author must be a PAA member)
- Presentation method (oral, oral-graduate student, poster)
- Section/discipline (breeding and genetics, plant protection, etc.)

The deadline for submitting abstracts is March 16, 2007.

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Nominations for Honorary Life Membership

Second and final call for Honorary Life Membership nominations for 2007. Please take the time to give careful consideration toward your colleagues and their service to both the overall potato industry and The Potato Association of America.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the Honorary Life Membership (HLM) award is one of The Association's most significant recognitions. This is the highest award bestowed upon an individual by the PAA. Each year at the Annual Meeting of the PAA this award is given to deserving individuals and is considered by many attendees the highlight of the banquet.

Members are encouraged to nominate candidates for HLM to be presented at the Annual Meeting in Idaho Falls, Idaho. In review, nominated individuals should have made significant contributions to the potato industry and/or the PAA. Contributions should include activities related to research, extension, education, production, processing, marketing, utilization or any of the other facets of the potato industry which may be appropriate. Additionally, HLM awards can be given to individuals outside of the PAA when warranted. Nominations must be submitted on the official HLM nomination form available on the PAA website: <http://www.umaine.edu/paa/hlmform.htm>. The selection procedure and desired candidate information is also available on the Website. [<http://www.umaine.edu/paa/selecthlm.htm>] This is a wonderful award and peer recognition can not happen without going through the nomination process.

Completed HLM nominations and all supporting documentation are due by March 16th, 2007 and should be submitted to the Past President:

Dr. Larry Hiller

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Washington State University

Pullman, WA 99164-6414

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Graduate Student Awards Competition Papers

This is the Second & Final Call For Papers to be entered in the Frank L. Haynes Graduate Student Research Competition (FHGSRC) to be held at the 91st Annual Meeting of The Potato Association of America.

The purpose of the FHGSRC is to promote graduate student participation in PAA through presentation of research papers at the Annual Meeting. Participants are also encouraged to submit manuscripts for publication in the *American Jnl Potato Res*.

General Information

1. The author must be a current (or recent) graduate student at the time the abstracts are due March 16th, 2007.
2. First place winners from previous PAA meetings are not eligible to participate.
3. Research reported must have been done while a graduate student.
4. The paper must be orally presented. Poster papers and symposium presentations do not qualify for the FHGSRC.
5. Students are required to submit abstracts for papers they wish to present in the Competition through the Idaho Falls 2007 website: <http://www.conferences.uidaho.edu/PAA>

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**91st Annual Meeting
The Potato Association of America
August 12 - 16, 2007
Shilo Inn, Idaho Falls, Idaho**

Enjoy the PAA Meeting in Idaho

Many people in Idaho have been busy putting together, what we believe will be, a great annual meeting for The Potato Association of America to be held in Idaho Falls, August 12 – 16, 2007. The conference headquarters is the Shilo Inn. In this newsletter you will find information about the meeting and associated cost (U.S. dollars).

Please note in the schedule that on Tuesday morning a session is planned for papers that are producer-friendly. We encourage presentations on topics that can be directly useful to potato producers. Also, on Tuesday afternoon, time for professional networking has been set aside. A poster session, with authors present, will follow the Tuesday afternoon break that will blend into the barbecue that evening. In addition to the traditional silent auction, a live auction will take place at the barbecue to raise money for the PAA Endowment Fund.

For updates on the meeting, to register, to obtain information on submitting abstracts, or for more information, please visit frequently our website: <http://www.conferences.uidaho.edu/PAA>.

Registration

There are four ways to register: on-line at <http://www.conferences.uidaho.edu/PAA>; by phone, (866) 651-5322; by FAX, (208) 885-7983; or send registration form and payment to University of Idaho, Conference Services, PO Box 441205, Moscow, ID-83844-1205. Registration received before July 23, 2007 for PAA members is \$210. Student registration is \$140 and accompanying persons registration is \$65. A registration form is included with this newsletter, or you can print a pdf copy from the PAA 2007 website. Costs for the barbecue, banquet, tours, etc. can be found on the registration form.

Accommodations

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Shilo Inn for \$80.00 plus tax per night. Please reserve your room at the Shilo Inn by calling (208) 523-0088 or (800) 222-2244. Reservations can only be taken by phone. Please be sure to mention you will be attending the 2007 Potato Association of America meeting to receive the group rate.

Rooms are also available at the LeRitz hotel, which is only a short walking distance from the Shilo Inn. Room rate at the LeRitz hotel is \$89.00 plus tax per night. Reservations

can only be taken by calling (208) 528-0880, and please be sure to mention you will be attending the 2007 Potato Association of America meeting to receive the group rate.

A list of other hotels, most in close proximity to the Shilo Inn, is listed on the PAA 2007 website, <http://www.conferences.uidaho.edu/PAA>.

Schedule

Sunday, August 12, 2007

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Golf Scramble
8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Registration/Information Desk Open
1:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting
2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Visuals Viewing Room Open
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Welcome Reception
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Committee Meetings as Requested

Monday, August 13, 2007

6:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Extension Section Breakfast Meeting
6:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Sponsored Breakfast
7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration/Information Desk Open
7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Visuals Viewing Room Open
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Symposium (Part I)
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Sponsored Break
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Symposium (Part II)
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Sponsored Delegates Lunch
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Site Selection Committee Meeting during Lunch
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations-Sec I
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations-Sec II
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations-Sec III
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Sponsored Break
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations-Section I, Continues
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations-Section II, Continues
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations-Section III, Continues
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Section Meeting: Plant Protection
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Section Meeting: Breeding/Genetics
6:30 p.m. –	Undetermined Graduate Student Awards Committee Meeting
5:00 p.m. –	Undetermined Dinner on Your Own
8:00 p.m.	Silent Auction [see Page 7]*

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Tuesday, August 14, 2007

6:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Production & Management Section Breakfast Meeting
6:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Sponsored Breakfast
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration/Information Desk Open
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Visuals Viewing Room Open
8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Producer-Oriented Oral Presentations
8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section IV
8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section V
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Sponsored Break
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Producer-Oriented Oral Presentations Continues
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section IV-Continues
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section V-Continues
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Sponsored Delegates/Producers Lunch
1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Graduate Student Awards Committee Meeting
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Section Meeting: Utilization and Marketing
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Section Meeting: Certification
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Section Meeting: Physiology
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Networking/Meetings/ Communicating
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Poster Set-up
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Sponsored Break
3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Poster Session with Authors Present
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Barbecue Social (in conjunction with poster session)
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Barbecue and live auction at Shilo Inn – Riverfront by the hotel

Wednesday, August 15, 2007

6:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Sponsored Breakfast
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Registration/Information Desk Open
7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Visuals Viewing Room Open
8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations-Sec VI
8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section VII
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Sponsored Break
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section VI Continues
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section VII, Continues
11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Agriculture Tour*
9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Accompanying Persons Tour*

* A sack lunch will be provided on the bus for the agriculture tour and participants on the optional tour will stop for lunch. Both tours will have a meal at the Aberdeen R & E Center before returning to Idaho Falls.

Thursday, August 16, 2007

6:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Sponsored Breakfast
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Registration/Information Desk Open
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting (if needed)
7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Visuals Viewing Room Open
8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section VIII
8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section IX
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Sponsored Break
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section VIII -Continues
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Oral Presentations- Section IX –Continues
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Sponsored Delegates Lunch
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Graduate Student Awards Committee Meeting with Lunch
1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	PAA Business Meeting
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	PAA Awards Banquet Reception
7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	PAA Awards Banquet

Events and Activities

Golf Scramble: (\$30.00) There will be golf scramble on Sunday, August 12 beginning at 8:00 a.m. You don't have to be a pro; hackers are more than welcome, so join us for this 18-hole golf scramble at the Pine Crest Golf Course located in Idaho Falls. August mornings are a beautiful time for golfing and the cost includes green fees and a cart.

Agricultural Tour: (\$20 per person, includes transportation, and evening meal) The agriculture tour will be Wednesday, August 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Idaho is famous for potatoes, so on the tour we'll certainly show you some of our potato industry. The first stop will be the Miles Willard Company, known for potato snack inventions. In Blackfoot you'll visit the Pendleton Flour Mill and General Mills plant, yes we grow more than spuds! On the way to the Aberdeen Research and Extension Center, you'll have an opportunity to tour the USDA Plant Materials Center that features many native grasses. After learning more about the research at the Aberdeen R & E Center, you'll be served dinner before returning to Idaho Falls.

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Barbecue (\$20) Come join us on the banks of the Snake River at the Shilo Inn on Tuesday, August 14 for the barbecue. A unique feature about this year's barbecue is we'll have a live auction to raise money for the PAA Endowment Fund. We're sure you'll enjoy the auction as well as raising money for a good cause.

Silent and Live Auctions: Don't forget to bring your items for both a silent and live auction to raise money for the PAA Endowment Fund. The live auction will be held at the Tuesday barbecue.

Accompanying Persons Activities

Monday, August 13, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Idaho National Laboratory
 (\$10 per person, includes lunch)

The INL, in operation since 1949, is a science-based, applied engineering national laboratory maintained by the U.S. Department of Energy. The laboratory, located in the vast desert country west of Idaho Falls, is on the cutting edge of research associated with nuclear energy, national defense, and environmental science. It is also rich in history, being the first facility in the world to generate electricity using nuclear energy and is a historical site for development of nuclear submarine technology. This fascinating tour will be hosted by the INL and will allow participants to explore both interesting historical aspects, as well as modern operations of the laboratory. (Limited to 50 participants)

Tuesday, August 14 (Option 1) 8:30 a.m. – Noon
 Yellowstone Bear World/Television Museum
 (\$35 per person, includes transportation, admission fees)

Located 15 miles north of Idaho Falls, Yellowstone Bear World is a drive-through wildlife park featuring many large mammals native to the northern Rocky Mountain region. A wonderful place for children and adults, the park provides an up-close experience with grizzly bears, bison, wolves, elk, and other animals. It also provides wildlife education opportunities. On the return trip, the tour will make a brief stop in Rigby at the museum that celebrates the invention by Milo Farnsworth, our favorite entertainment item, the television. (Limited to 15 participants)

Tuesday, August 14 (Option 2) 8:30 a.m. – Noon
 Museum of Idaho/Eagle Rock Art Museum
 (\$30 per person, includes transportation, admission fees)

Museum of Idaho Falls and the Eagle Rock Art Museum specialize in history and art with a local flavor. The Museum of Idaho has many exhibits highlighting recent and ancient history of the Idaho Falls area, as well as the broader southern Idaho region. In August, the museum will feature a special exhibit on the ice age and mammoths, a locally common denizen of the time. The Eagle Rock Art Museum will be showing the work of two local artists whose work illustrates life in the early era of the city of Idaho Falls. (Limited to 15 participants)

Tuesday, August 14 (Option 3) 8:30 a.m. – Noon
 (longer if desired)

Antique Shopping Spree
 (\$25 per person, includes transportation)

For the antique admirer, here's a morning in heaven. Join one of our local antique junkies for a visit to some of the local hotspots, including the Trackside Mall, Antique Gallery, Little Bighorn Antiques, and others. The tour is scheduled to end at noon, but for those who don't think this is enough time, we'll be flexible so you can spend more time shopping. (Limited to 15 participants)

Wednesday, August 15 (Option 2) 9:00a.m.– 8:00p.m.
 Native American Tour
 (\$35 per person, includes transportation, 2 meals, and admission fees)

Idaho has a rich Native American and pioneer heritage and many relevant interesting sites are within a short distance of Idaho Falls. The first stop will be the Fort Hall Indian Reservation where we'll visit the Shoshone-Bannock tribal museum and spend an hour or two taking in the culture of the annual Pow Wow. Before leaving Fort Hall, we'll allow a few minutes for shopping at the Trading Post where you can see and purchase world-renowned beadwork crafted by members of the Shoshone tribe. After a short lunch stop in Pocatello, we'll visit the Native American exhibits at the Idaho Museum of Natural History on the Idaho State University Campus. We'll then travel west to Massacre Rocks State Park, the site of a historical pioneer/Indian conflict. The park superintendent will give us an interpretive tour and demonstrate some mountain man skills. The tour ends with meeting the participants of the agricultural tour at the Aberdeen R & E Center for an evening meal and socializing. (Limited to 50 participants)

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Thursday, August 16 (Option 1) 8:30a.m. – Noon
Riot Zone
(\$50 per person, includes transportation, admission fee)

The Riot Zone is an outstanding family fun-park located about 10 miles from Idaho Falls. The price of the tour includes a \$25 ticket that allows participants to sample all of the exciting activities including bumper boats, go-carts, miniature golf, inflatable adventure, and the unique ride called the buckaroo. You can view the features of the park at the Riot Zone website, at <http://www.riotzonefamilyfun.com>. The tour is scheduled to end at noon, but will be set up on a flexible schedule and may be extended if participants desire. (Limited to 15 participants)

Thursday, August 16 (Option 2) 8:30a.m. – Noon
Anheuser-Busch
(\$25 per person (includes transportation)

The Anheuser-Busch company owns and operates a large malting plant near Idaho Falls. The facility produces 16 million bushels of malted barley each year. Participants will tour the barley storage and malting facilities, including the cleaning lines, steeping towers, and kilns. (Limited to 15 participants)

Thursday, August 16 (Option 3) 8:30a.m. – Noon
Davenport Graphics/Teton Flood Museum
(\$25 per person, includes transportation)

Visit the studio of artist, Kendall Davenport, in Rexburg, Idaho. Kendall Davenport has combined traditional painting, photography, digital, and other artistry techniques to create unique and beautiful large photographs and murals. Subject matter is primarily nature in the mountain west. For his beautiful work, Kendall has received the Presidential Award for Best Art. Before leaving Rexburg, tour participants will stop at the Teton Flood Museum to see artifacts and illustrations of the 1976 manmade disaster that rearranged the southeastern Idaho landscape. (Limited to 15 participants)

Post-Conference Activities

The University of Idaho has decided not to sponsor any official post-conference activities. However, while you have access to some of the most scenic places in North America, you may want to take advantage of some of our outdoor activities. Listed below are suggestions for a few activities and related website information to help you make arrangements. For information about other events, activities, and destinations, please contact the Idaho Falls Chamber of Commerce through their web site, at: <http://www.idahofallschamber.com/>.

White Water Rafting

For an experienced, insured, whitewater outfitter, try one of these businesses. Depending on the outfitter, they offer scenic trips on the upper Snake River above Jackson Hole, WY or whitewater trips on the wilder part of the river below Jackson Hole.

- ~ Barker-Ewing River Trips – Whitewater Adventures: <http://www.barker-ewing.com/>
- ~ Charlie Sands Whitewater: <http://www.sandswhitewater.com/>
- ~ Lewis and Clark Expeditions <http://www.lewisandclarkexpeds.com/>
- ~ Snake River Park Whitewater <http://www.snakeriverwhitewater.net/>

Guided Fly Fishing

To learn the art of fly fishing, or to arrange to have someone take you to some blue ribbon trout fishing water, contact one of these businesses.

- ~ South Fork Lodge: (208) 483-2112 <http://www.southforklodge.com/>
- ~ Henry's Fork Anglers: (208) 788-4479 <http://www.henrysforkanglers.com/>
- ~ Teton Valley Lodge: (800) 455-1182 <http://www.tetonvalleylodge.com/>
- ~ Three Rivers Ranch: (208) 652-3750 <http://www.threeriversranch.com/>

Tours of Yellowstone Park

Conferees interested in a Yellowstone Park tour will need to arrange transportation to Jackson Hole, WY or West Yellowstone, MT, where most tours originate. Here are the names of companies that arrange summer bus or van tours.

- ~ Grayline of Jackson Hole (Jackson Hole, WY) <http://graylinejh.com/>
- ~ Callowishus Park Touring Company (Jackson Hole, WY) <http://www.ulster.net/~heberle/>
- ~ Yellowstone Tour and Travel (West Yellowstone, MT) <http://www.yellowstone-travel.com/>
- ~ Buffalo Bus Touring Company (West Yellowstone, MT) <http://www.yellowstonevacations.com/tours/buffalobustours.htm>

Submitted by:

William H. Bohl, University of Idaho
Glenn Letendre, Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc.
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Accompanying persons tour information provided by
Steve Love

Graduate Student Call for Papers

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6. No new students may register after the deadline or at the meeting
7. Winners will be announced and honored at the annual banquet. Free banquet tickets will be provided by PAA for all graduate students participating in the FHGSAC.

General Criteria for Judging: Papers and presentations will be judged on the following basis:

- A. Quality of research and content: 60%
- B. Effectiveness of presentation: 40%

Five awards will be presented in the amount of \$350 for 1st place, \$250 for 2nd place, \$150 for 3rd place, \$100 for 4th place, \$100 for 5th place.

For more information, contact:

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PAA Grad Student Awards Competition
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PAA 4th annual silent auction

*100% of the proceeds will benefit
the PAA Endowment Fund*

*Don't forget...all donations are
tax deductible!*

Time to start gathering auction items for the August 2007 PAA Annual Meeting in Idaho Falls....past favorites include quilts, books, prints, potato-related items, humorous pieces, donate your camp for a weekend, and anything cool! It does not have to be 'potato' related!!

- Location: Idaho Falls PAA Conference
- Bidding Starts: Monday at Noon
- Bidding Ends: Monday, Aug. 13, 8:00P

Donated items will be accepted at the Registration Table Sunday (8/12/07) and continuing through 3:00P on Monday (8/13/07). (silent auction material will be displayed all day Monday for your bidding pleasure)!

Some items will be held over for a 'live' auction at the BBQ, Tuesday, August 14... two chances to win some wonderful stuff!

Please share this information with family, friends, and sponsors who would like to support the Auction and the Endowment Fund.

Questions? Jan Mosley, 541-737-9711, janet.mosley@oregonstate.edu

More information on the auction will be in future PAA Insider issues, through e-mails and on the PAA meeting website: <http://www.conferences.uidaho.edu/PAA/>

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PAA Background

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Employment Position Opening

TITLE OF POSITION: Assist. Prof., Potato Storage Physiologist

LOCATION: University of Idaho, Kimberly R&E Center, Kimberly, Idaho

RANK AND SALARY: Appointment is at the assistant professor level in the Division of Crop and Weed Sciences of the Department of Plant, Soil and Entomological Sciences. This is a twelve-month, tenure-track position. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience.

RESPONSIBILITIES/DUTIES:

Responsibilities: The successful candidate will be expected to initiate and conduct an innovative and comprehensive research (85%), teaching and advising (5%), service (5%) and outreach (5%) program emphasizing potato storage physiology. Acquisition of extramural funds and collaborative work is expected.

Additional responsibilities include the development of an industry-responsive research program with basic and applied elements, participation in a cooperative team program in potato storage management, and supervision of graduate students. Obtaining external funding, participation in professional meetings and publication in refereed journals are expected.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Required: An earned doctorate by February 16, 2007, in plant physiology, crop science, horticulture or a plant science related field; evidence of scholarly contributions.

Desirable Qualifications: Advanced training and experience in the areas of post-harvest physiology, training or experience in potato management and physiology; evidence of ability to obtain external funding; evidence of excellent interpersonal, written, and electronic communication skills; ability/experience in advising graduate students and participation in professional activities.

BENEFITS: Competitive salary and benefits including medical/dental insurance, annual and sick leave, life insurance, and TIAA-CREF or VALIC retirement plans or federal retirement (for those currently enrolled).

APPLICATION MATERIALS REQUIRED: To be considered, complete the online application (which can be accessed at www.hr.uidaho.edu) including a letter of application addressing each required and desired qualification, curriculum vitae, academic transcripts, three letters of reference and contact information for references. Any required documentation which cannot be submitted online, i.e., academic transcripts and three letters of reference, should be sent to:

Dr. Mike Thornton, SW Idaho Research and Extension Center, 29603 U of I Lane, Parma, ID 83660. Phone: 208-722-6701. Fax: 208-722-6701. Email: miket@uidaho.edu.

Closing date for applications is February 16, 2007, or until a suitable candidate is identified.

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Optional Events

	# people	Fee	Total
Sunday -- 12 August, 2007 - Golf Scramble		\$30	\$
Sunday -- 12 August, 2007 - Welcome Reception		Free	\$ Free
Tuesday -- 14 August, 2007 - Barbecue Ticket		\$20	\$
Wednesday -- 15 August, 2007 - Agricultural Tour		\$20	\$
Thursday -- 16 August, 2007 - Awards Banquet		\$30	\$
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Monday -- 13 August, 2007 - Idaho National Laboratory (INL) Tour		\$10	\$
Tuesday -- 14 August, 2007 - Yellowstone Bear World/TV Museum		\$35	\$
Tuesday -- 14 August, 2007 - Museum of Idaho / Eagle Rock Art Museum		\$30	\$
Tuesday -- 14 August, 2007 - Antique Shopping Spree		\$25	\$
Wednesday -- 15 August, 2007 - Native American Tour		\$35	\$
Thursday -- 16 August, 2007 - Riot Zone		\$50	\$
Thursday -- 16 August, 2007 - Anheuser-Busch		\$25	\$
Thursday -- 16 August, 2007 - Graphics / Flood Museum		\$25	\$
Total:			\$

CANCELLATION POLICY:

All Cancellations must be received before Monday, August 6, 2007. Cancellations are processed as soon as possible and are subject to a cancellation fee. No refunds will be provided after Monday, August 6, 2007. \$55 non-refundable cancellation fee for member, non-member and student registration. \$20 non-refundable cancellation fee for accompanying person's registration. 25% non-refundable cancellation fee will be charged for optional event selection.

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1. Do you have any special dietary needs? Yes No

Explain: _____

2. Do you have any other special needs? Yes No

Explain: _____

3. How did you hear about the conference:

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