

January 4, 2007

To: Sue Blodgett, Rick Melnicoe, Will Lanier
From: Sujaya Rao, Program Chair
Re: Organization of Symposia

Thanks for your willingness to organize a symposium for the PBESA meeting, March 25 – 28, 2007 at the Portland Marriot Downtown Waterfront, Portland, Oregon. Information about the meeting is available at: <http://oregonstate.edu/pbesa/>. The theme for the meeting is: *Pacific Entomology: Pinoneering New Trails*. A list of the symposia is listed below.

Guidelines for the symposia:

1. Your symposium can last a maximum of 4 hours including a break.
2. The symposium will be scheduled for
Wednesday March 28th 8 AM to 12 PM
3. The Pacific Branch Secretary-Treasurer, Brian Bret, sent me the following: *"I would recommend that we return to a more synchronized approach of 12, 24, or 36 minute intervals. That is how they do it at Natl. meetings. We should encourage it at Branch meetings as well. We did not do a good job of communicating our expectations to the symposia leaders last year or before. I think any symposium coordinator should be able to manage 12/24/36 minute increments with their program"*. **However, this year we have decided to give organizers flexibility in the length of talks.**
4. Please send the attached symposium paper submission form to all speakers and let them know that they need to submit the form with the abstract to **YOU** by **January 15th 2007**. To avoid confusion I modified the paper submission form for symposia speakers. Please let them know the title of the symposium for inclusion on the form. Please collect all abstracts and submission forms from your speakers and sending them to me in 1 email. This way you will know that the submissions have been made and can chase down procrastinating speakers.
5. Please let your presenters know that "Invited Speaker" for a symposium does not imply that there will be an honorarium, travel reimbursement, or a waiver of registration fees. Since this symposium was submitted after the deadline (Sept 15th), the limited Program Enhancement Funds from the ESA Natl. Office will not be available for your presenters – sorry!
6. Please send the attached registration form to all speakers. All speakers need to register for the meeting. **Pre-registration Deadline is January 31, 2007**

List of Symposia for PBESA 2007

- **Graduate student symposium: Entomology mentors and pioneers in the Pacific Branch** (Organizer: M. Scherr, Oregon State University)
- **Phylogeography and intraspecific diversity of western North American arthropods** (Organizers: M. Caterino, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, and F. Sperling, University of Alberta)
- **Native bee pollination in cultivated systems: Critical problems and solutions** (Organizer: M. Vaughan, The Xerces Society, and S. Greenleaf, University of California, Davis)
- **Invertebrates as bioindicators of watershed health** (Organizers: J. Jenkins and D. Wooster, Oregon State University)
- **New emerging pests in the PNW** (Organizers: S. Rondon, Oregon State University, B. Simko, Idaho State Dept. of Agriculture, and K. Johnson, Oregon State Dept. of Agriculture)
- **Fire and forest insect interactions** (Organizers: K. Wallin and D. Ross, Oregon State University)
- **The future of tree fruit IPM: A 2020 vision** (Organizers: R. Hilton, Oregon State University, and E. Beers, Washington State University)
- **Pest management of ants of urban importance** (Organizer: M. Rust, University of California, Riverside)
- **Insects in the classroom: Teacher workshop** (Organizers: S. Rao and A. Walston, Oregon State University)

Additional Symposium:

- **Western IPM Center: What We're Doing for You** (Organizers: R. Melnicoe, University of California Davis, and W. Lanier, Montana State University)

Attachments:

Invitation to the PBESA meeting
Symposium Paper Submission Form
Registration Form