Student & Career Activities

SASES at October’s Annual Meetings

In Cincinnati in October, the Students of Agronomy, Soils, and Environmental Sciences (SASES) program hosted its largest meeting ever with more than 320 undergraduate attendees. Students spent their time at the Annual Meetings attending research presentations and professional development sessions as well as networking and socializing with other attendees. They also went on educational tours around southern Ohio and Eastern Kentucky with stops including small farms, the Cincinnati Reds Stadium, the Cincinnati Zoo, a horse farm, and soil pits.

Other highlights from the three-day event included an evening riverboat cruise sponsored by Crop Production Services, a dance, and brunch with keynote speaker Teresa Scanlan—2011 Miss America. As always, the week featured many undergraduate contests, which gave students the opportunity to showcase their club, research, and knowledge. Special thanks are extended to Crop Production Services, CHS, and Helena Chemical Company who sponsored the boat cruise, the keynote speaker, and the speech contest, respectively. Congratulations to all contest winners!

Club Poster Contest
- 1st Place, University of Arkansas
- 2nd Place, University of Florida
- 3rd Place, University of Missouri

Manuscript Contest
- 1st Place, Tim Von Thun, University of Maryland
- 2nd Place, Peter Lynagh, University of Maryland
- 3rd Place, Jarai Carter, University of Illinois

President’s Trophy Competition
- 1st Place, Fresno State

Research Symposium Contest—Oral Session
- 1st Place, Blaire Colvin, University of Florida
- 2nd Place, Aaron Marti, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point
- 3rd Place, Cory Johnson, University of Arkansas

Research Symposium Contest—Poster Session
- 1st Place, Jacob Rutz, North Carolina State
- 2nd Place, Eric Larsen, Brigham Young
- 3rd Place, Jeremy Matson, Brigham Young

Speech Contest
- 1st Place, Joseph Kibiwott, University of Florida
- 2nd Place, Jarai Carter, University of Illinois
- 3rd Place, Brady Peek, Auburn
- 4th Place, Tawney Bleak, Colorado State
- 5th Place, Melissa Golden, Oklahoma State
- 6th Place, Gregory Wilson, Texas A&M

Visual Presentation Contest
- 1st Place, Gregory Wilson, Texas A&M
- 2nd Place, Chalone Hefley, West Texas
- 3rd Place, Nick Wleczyk, Texas A&M