Auburn Student Recognized as Outstanding Senior

In the last issue of CSA News magazine, we printed the names and photos of the recipients of this year’s National Student Recognition Award. We unintentionally omitted one student from Auburn University, Helen McCamy Pruitt, who we would like to recognize in this issue.

Every year, top-notch undergraduate seniors are selected for the award based on their scholarship, leadership, and involvement. These outstanding students are enrolled in agronomic, crop, soil, or environmental science departments that have chapters affiliated with the Students of Agronomy, Soils, and Environmental Sciences (SASES), the undergraduate program of ASA, CSSA, and SSSA.

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Correction

In the March issue of CSA News magazine, we recognized the Annual Meeting program chairs, planning officers, and Division/Section chairs by printing their names and photos. Unfortunately, we printed the wrong photo of Allen Knapp, CSSA Seed Physiology, Production & Technology Division Chair. The correct photo appears here. We apologize for the error.

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Guiding nearly 100 students to doctorate degrees and another 80 to master’s degrees during his teaching career, his enthusiastic embracing of opportunity inspired the same vision in many of his students. After he died in 1970, the Emil Truog Soil Science Award was established, absorbing and supplementing the Truog Award Fund that had been created when he retired in 1954 after a career that spanned 45 years.

Today, the Emil Truog Soil Science Award Fund continues to recognize recent Ph.D. degree recipients who have made outstanding contributions to soil science. Recent Emil Truog Soil Science Award winners who are using their talents to create a better agronomic future for all of us include Dr. Daniel R. Ferreira, who is a professor in the Department of Biology and Chemistry at Southern Polytechnic State University in Marietta, GA; Dr. Dylan E. Beaudette, who is a soil scientist for the USDA-NRCS Soil Survey Office in Sonora, CA; Dr. Alexander Cheesman, who is a plant ecophysiologist and soil scientist with the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute in Panama; and Dr. Andrew Hinnell, who is currently a senior hydrogeologist at WorleyParsons in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Dr. Sharon K. Papiernik, Supervisory Soil Scientist for the North Central Agricultural Research Laboratory in Brookings, SD, chairs the Emil Truog Soil Science Award Fund Committee. Won’t you consider furthering the cause of soil science research by supporting this fund or one of the other volunteer or giving opportunities offered by the Agronomic Science Foundation? To find out more about options that might interest you, email me at abarton@sciencesocieties.org or call me at 608-273-8095. To make a monetary donation online, visit www.a-s-f.org.

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Heidi Myer, South Dakota State University
Chris Rogers, University of Arkansas
Christine Sprunger, Michigan State University
Clint Steketee, University of Georgia
Mary Tiedeman, Iowa State University
Daniel Weber, University of Kentucky
Emily Woodward, Penn State University

The Science Policy Office received tremendous interest in the Future Leaders in Science Award, with more than 80 applications, demonstrating the strong interest in science policy and advocacy efforts from our graduate student members. In addition to the award winners, the following students showed their exceptional commitment to advocacy by covering their own expenses to come to Washington, DC and participate in CVD.

Mark Corrao, University of Idaho
Chris Dorich, University of New Hampshire
Nicole Fiorellino, University of Maryland
Alicia Hunolt, Virginia Tech University
Peter Narby, University of California–Davis
Melissa Savin, University of Delaware