Report from the President by Joe Yenish

As we move into 2016, there is much reason to look forward. The Bison are headed to Frisco, Texas for the 5th consecutive January, the Vikings have won their division, and the Annual Meeting of the WSWS will be held at the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque on March 7th through the 10th. While there are no guarantees on the outcome of the first two items, the latter event is shaping up to be a real winner. Kirk Howatt, Program Chair and President-Elect, along with Research Section Chair Jane Mangold and Education Section Chair Sandra McDonald are now finalizing the program and I must say it looks very good. A solid source of optimism is the number of student papers and posters entered in the upcoming contest. This appears to be a nice trend across the county as both the North Central and Southern Weed Science Societies are reporting increased student participation at their recent and upcoming meetings. In addition to bringing vitality to the meetings, the students tend to present some of the most cutting edge and provocative papers and posters.

Another item of encouragement was the list of candidates who came forward to run for the various elected positions on the Board of Directors. As President, it was my honor to contact each of the individuals with the results of the election. While it would have been nice to declare them all winners, all candidates expressed desire get to work serving in their elected position or to continue serving the membership of the WSWS in any capacity possible. Again, it was great to see the dedication of this fine group.

Please visit the WSWS website at http://www.wsweedscience.org/, to get information on all the deadlines prior to the meeting along with the specific meeting times and locations during the week of March 7th. Please make sure any committee reports you might have are submitted to the proper Board of Director contact in a timely manner.

As a quick reminder, the preregistration rate is in effect until February 13th which is the same deadline to make your reservations at the meeting block rate at the Hyatt Regency. For local attractions and activities in Albuquerque area, please look over the current and previous newsletter along with a visit to the website of the Albuquerque Convention and Visitors Bureau at http://www.visitalbuquerque.org/.

As a final note, the upcoming meeting will be the 20th WSWS meeting that I have attended. When I think of all the WSWS Presidents over those years, I think how fortunate I am to be a part of that group. More importantly, I want let the membership know that I feel honored to have been able to serve as your President over the past year.
Thank you for strong paper and poster submissions. We have a wide array of topics and excellent facilities in which to engage in discussion. The facility is nearing the end of renovations and should be in prime condition for our attendance. You will note when the programs arrive that all meeting rooms and dining and social areas are conveniently close and provide ample areas for our many activities.

We have 92 papers and 65 posters included in the program, of which 49 are student contest presentations. While this is about 10% more than last year, the author list is 25% greater. Encourage all of your contributing authors to attend and help invigorate the society membership. All authors who submitted successfully have been sent notice of time and location. Contact me immediately if you did not receive this.

February 13 – room reservation deadline
February 13 – deadline for reduced meeting registration fee
Submit your abstract and keyword information before the meeting
March 2 – deadline to submit slides via wssaabstracts.com. After this date, contact the project chair.

The General Session will feature addresses from President Joseph Yenish and Science Policy Director Lee Van Wychen. Mary O’Connell, New Mexico State University, will present interesting information about some local wild plants. And with many business monitors indicating 2016 as a year for major repositioning in the market, Terry Crawford, New Mexico State University, will discuss how changes could affect agriculture and prospects for students.

Kaci Buhl was part of the program but had to remove herself for a required meeting in Washington, D.C. We are working to move this to the 2017 meeting in Idaho. In her place, Sandra McDonald has prepared a discussion on interpreting Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) materials and requirements. Anyone who has tried to use the glove material chart, knows the uncertainty in compliance. Other project discussions are listed below.

- Range and Natural Areas: Weed Risk Assessment as a Decision-Making Tool for Invasive Species Management.
- Horticultural Crops: Impact of Increased Irrigation Water Salinity on Crop Injury from Soil Residual Herbicides.
- Biology and Ecology: How Can We Harness Genetic and Physiological Tools to Advance Understanding of Weedy Plants?

Another special feature of this meeting will be introduction and training on use of the CLIMEX software program on Thursday from 9:30 to 5:00 by Kassim Al-Khatib. This program can help identify potential new weed invaders according to changes in environmental conditions. More information on this training will be sent when available.

A full program is planned with the help and contribution of many members. Intellectual discourse will fill the halls and rooms. Sponsors are stepping forward. And previous Newsletters highlighted area attractions and the pleasant weather expected in March. It promises to be a busy week.

See You in Albuquerque,

Kirk Howatt
President-Elect and Program Chair
Albuquerque Notes — by Brian Schutte, Local Arrangements Chair

The 2016 WSWS Annual Meeting is fast approaching! The meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Albuquerque:

Hyatt Regency Albuquerque
330 Tijeras Avenue NW
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102

To reserve rooms at meeting block rates, use the following link: [https://aws.passkey.com/event/10628407/owner/4052/home](https://aws.passkey.com/event/10628407/owner/4052/home) or call (505) 842-1234. The deadline for room reservations at meeting block rates is February 13.

**Travel to the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque**

**Driving Directions:**

- From the south. Follow I-25 N to exit 224B, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Ave. Turn left onto Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Ave. Follow Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Ave to Marquette Ave (at Broadway Blvd, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Ave becomes Marquette Ave). Turn left onto 5th St. Turn left onto Tijeras Ave. The Hyatt Regency will be on the right.
- From the north. Follow I-25 S to exit 224B, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Ave. Turn right onto Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Ave. Follow Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Ave to Marquette Ave (at Broadway Blvd, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Ave becomes Marquette Ave). Turn left onto 5th St. Turn left onto Tijeras Ave. The Hyatt Regency will be on the right.
- From the east. Follow I-40 W to exit 158, 6th Street. Turn left onto 6th Street. Follow 6th Street to Tijeras Ave. Turn left onto Tijeras Ave. The Hyatt Regency will be on the right.
- From the west. Follow I-40 E to exit 158, 6th Street. Turn right onto 6th Street. Follow 6th Street to Tijeras Ave. Turn left onto Tijeras Ave. The Hyatt Regency will be on the right.

The Hyatt Regency offers valet parking for vehicles with 6’8” clearance at $20.00 per night. Self-parking is available at $16.00 per day. Self-parking is located on Copper Avenue between 3rd and 4th Streets.

**Air Travel:** The Albuquerque International Airport (ABQ) is served by the following airlines: Alaska, American, Delta, JetBlue, Southwest and United. The Albuquerque International Airport is approximately 5 miles from the Hyatt Regency. There are several options for travel between the airport and the Hyatt Regency.

**Bus:** ABQ RIDE has two bus routes that run from the airport to the Alvarado Transportation Center, which is approximately 4 blocks from the Hyatt Regency. Bus routes include: #250 (weekdays and #50 (weekdays & Saturday). For updated information on fares and schedules, please see: [https://www.cabq.gov/transit/bus-routes-and-schedules](https://www.cabq.gov/transit/bus-routes-and-schedules).

**Shuttle:** Service is available from Sunport Shuttle. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 1-866-505-4966, or emailing reservations@sunportshuttle.com for individual reservations, sales@sunportshuttle.com for group reservations. For individuals, the one-way fare is $11.00, round-trip is $20.00. Fares are discounted for groups. For more information, please see: [http://www.sunportshuttle.com/contact.htm](http://www.sunportshuttle.com/contact.htm).

**Taxi:** Average taxi fare from the airport to the Hyatt Regency is $18.00 before gratuity. ABQ Cab Company ([http://www.albuquerquecab.com/index.php](http://www.albuquerquecab.com/index.php)) offers vans that can accommodate six people.

**Albuquerque Attractions**

In the heart in the Land of Enchantment, Albuquerque offers a variety of entertainment options. Popular attractions in the Albuquerque area include:

- Sandia Peak Aerial Tramway
- Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge
- Skiing in Santa Fe
- Landmark tours, including visits to the sites of “Breaking Bad” television series
- Museums including the Albuquerque Museum of Art and History and the New Mexico Museum of Natural History & Science.

Excellent restaurants are within walking distance of the Hyatt Regency. Additional dining options can be found at Old Town and Nob Hill neighborhoods, which are short taxi rides away from the Hyatt Regency.

The 2016 meeting in Albuquerque is fast approaching and I am sure students are busy preparing presentations and posters. Breanne and I have worked hard securing items for this year’s silent auction, but there is still work to be done. While we have received a number of generous donations from companies and individuals, we still need your help to ensure we raise as much money as possible to support the student scholarship program. Last year, we were able to raise over $2,000 and our goal this year is to raise $3,000 to fully fund the student scholarships. These scholarship opportunities are important for encouraging and rewarding student participation in the society and the field, so your help obtaining items directly benefits the students. If you have any items or services that society members may be interested in bidding on, please consider donating this item for the silent auction. If your item is easy to travel with, please bring it to Albuquerque and Breanne or I will be happy to take it off your hands during meeting registration. If the item is difficult to travel with, please contact me (ccoburn2@uwyo.edu) or Breanne (blaturnu@ualberta.ca) to arrange delivery to the meeting.

The deadline for abstract submission is February 29, 2016, and the deadline to submit presentations is March 2, 2016. The 2016 call for papers (http://www.wsweedscience.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/WSWS-Call-for-Papers-2016.pdf) contains useful guidelines for abstracts, posters, and presentations. Note, posters must fit within 42 inches x 42 inches of display board, and posters can be set up on Monday evening prior to the Tuesday morning poster session. Also, when registering for the meeting, be sure to sign up for the Student Night Out event. This is a very informal event that gives students an invaluable opportunity to meet with some of the society’s diverse members and learn more about potential careers in industry, academia, or public agencies. We work hard to make this a worthwhile and pleasant event for all who participate, and we continue to modify it based on your suggestions from previous meetings. More details about the Student Night Out will follow over the next several weeks.

For students interested in getting more involved in the society, consider “running” for the student liaison position. This is a 2-year commitment (1st year as Chair Elect and 2nd year as Chair). Contact Breanne or me with questions about the position. Make sure to send a short bio with your current school program and research interests, and why you would like to serve as a student liaison. The candidates will be decided upon during the Student Luncheon at the meeting. Don’t forget to follow us on Twitter (@WSWSstudents) and Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/WSWSStudentSection/) for meeting updates and deadline information. We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meeting!

Thanks!

Carl Coburn, Student Liaison Chair (ccoburn2@uwyo.edu)

Breanne Tidemann, Student Liaison Chair Elect (blaturnu@ualberta.ca)
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Weed Science Society of America Annual Meeting
Joint Meeting with the Southern Weed Science Society
February 8-11, 2016
San Juan, Puerto Rico
www.wssa.net

Canadian Herbicide Resistance Summit
March 2, 2016
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
www.weedsummit.ca

Western Society of Weed Science Annual Meeting
March 7-10, 2016
Albuquerque, New Mexico
www.wsweedscience.org

Western Invasive Weed Short Course
April 18-21, 2016
Loveland, Colorado
www.mountainwestpest.com/ShortCourse.html

11th International Symposium on Adjuvants for Agrochemicals
June 13-17, 2016
Monterey, California
www.isaa-online.org

7th International Weed Congress
June 19-25, 2016
Prague, Czech Republic
http://www.iwsc2016.org/

56th Aquatic Plant Management Society Annual Meeting
July 17-20, 2016
Grand Rapids, Michigan
https://apms.org/annual-meeting/2016-annual-meeting/

20th Australasian Weeds Conference
September 11-15, 2016
Perth, Australia
www.20awc.org.au

Retiring or Have You Retired Recently?

As I write this, I am just a few days away from a trip to sunny, warm Belize for the holidays. I hope to relax and soak up the warmth and natural beauty of this Central American country for a couple of weeks. Thoughts of relaxing on a hammock under the palm trees has me thinking of those lucky colleagues who have recently retired or who soon will retire. It is my distinct pleasure as Immediate Past President to recognize and honor these retirees for their active membership and contributions to the WSWS over the years at the Monday evening reception in Albuquerque. If you have retired from active employment since our last meeting in Portland, or you plan to retire by the end of spring 2016, please let me know by March 1st. You can contact me at (509) 335-2961 or drew.lyon@wsu.edu. I also encourage any member who knows someone who has or will soon retire, to let me know before the beginning of March.

Drew Lyon
WSWS Immediate Past President

A Note from the Business Office by Phil Banks

You can register for the 2016 annual meeting in Albuquerque, NM by going to our website (http://www.wsweedscience.org/annual-meeting/) to conveniently register online or you can use the registration form found in this newsletter. Preregistration rates end on February 13, 2016. Also, you must make your room reservations before February 13 in order to get a room at our block rate. Room reservations can be made by following this link: https://aws.passkey.com/event/10628407/owner/4052/home

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting. As always, if you need to contact the office, please give us a call at (575) 649-7157 or e-mail at wsws@marathonag.com.

Phil Banks, WSWS Business Manager/Treasurer

2016 Canadian Herbicide Resistance Summit

The Herbicide Resistance Summit (March 2, 2016 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan) was organized to facilitate a more unified understanding of herbicide resistance issues across Canada and around the world, and to increase awareness that everyone engaged with agriculture has a role in managing herbicide resistance.

Presenters will address many of the key issues faced by farmers and crop protection researchers in meeting the challenge of the growing threat of herbicide resistance. Our goal is to ensure participants walk away with a clear understanding of specific actions they can take to help minimize the devastating impact of herbicide resistance on agricultural productivity in Canada.

For more information visit: www.weedsummit.ca
On December 4, Dr. David Shaw (standing) presented a seminar titled “Battling the Wicked Problem of Herbicide Resistance: The Human Dimensions of Herbicide Resistance Evolution” to Congressional staffers in the House Agriculture Committee in Washington, DC. Seated at the table next to Dr. Shaw (from right to left) are Dr. Donn Shilling, WSSA Science Policy Committee Chair, Dr. Dallas Peterson, WSSA President, and Dr. Lee Van Wychen WSSA Science Policy Director. Dr. Peterson provided closing remarks for the seminar.

Congress Passes an Omnibus Funding Bill for FY 2016

The omnibus spending bill passed by Congress in December includes full Appropriations legislation and funding for the 12 annual Appropriations bills through the end of the fiscal year, Sept. 30, 2016. The level reflects the increased domestic discretionary funding provided by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, which was enacted on Nov. 2, 2015. Overall, the omnibus is good news for weed and invasive plant research. USDA-NIFA, -ARS, -APHIS, and -NRCS all got modest increases compared to last year. Funding for the Aquatic Plant Control Research Program doubled from $4M to $8M, however, half of that is slated for new watercraft inspection stations. The biggest winner was the Agricultural and Food Research Initiative (AFRI) which saw an increase from $325M to $350M. Earlier this year, the Senate proposed to flat-line AFRI at $325 million, while the House proposed just a $10M increase over 2015. USDA funding remained constant to last year’s levels for the Hatch Act ($244M), Smith-Lever Act section b & c ($300M), IR-4 ($11.9M), and Crop Protection & Pest Management ($17.2M), which includes funding for the Regional IPM Centers and Extension IPM.

WSSA Supports Areawide IPM Bill Introduced in Congress

In November, Rep. Tulsi Gabbard (HI) introduced the Areawide Integrated Pest Management (AIPM) Act of 2015 (H.R. 3893). The bill amends the Integrated Research, Education, and Extension competitive grants program by adding a focus on grants for Areawide IPM. The competitive grants would be awarded to colleges and universities for integrated projects as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture in consultation with a 9 member committee for AIPM “representing stakeholder groups with experience in area wide research programs carried out by Federal, State, or private entities”. “Integrated” programs must include aspects of
research, education and extension. Currently funded “Integrated” programs include Crop Protection and Pest Management (CPPM), Water Quality, Methyl Bromide Transitions, and Organic Transitions. Previous programs that received “Integrated” funding included Crops at Risk (CAR) and the Risk Avoidance and Mitigation Program (RAMP). WSSA is working with Rep. Gabbard and other groups to build support among stakeholders and find co-sponsors in the Senate. Ideally, we would like to see this language included in the next Farm Bill. Rep. Gabbard’s speech on the House floor and press release introducing the AIPM bill can be found HERE.

**EPA Extends Comment Period for Pesticide Applicator Rule**

EPA extended the public comment period by one month to January 23, 2016 regarding its proposed changes to the certification and training standards for pesticide applicators. The Science Policy Committee has been discussing these proposed changes, which will have significant costs and impacts on state lead agencies, university extension programs, and the applicators subject to regulatory certification. The proposed rule is complex and includes numerous new, revised, and deleted definitions. Our main concerns with the proposed revisions include:

1. Three-Year Frequency for Demonstrating Competency
2. Requirement for Earning Continuing Education Units (CEUs) every 18 months
3. Minimum Age
4. Private Applicator Competency Requirements
5. Impact on General Use Pesticide Applicators
6. Definition of “Use”
7. Definition of “Mishap”

**Full Rule Proposal – Pesticides: Certification of Pesticide Applicators**

EPA is accepting comments on the proposal until **January 23, 2016**. To comment now, please go to: **EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0183**

**Waters of the U.S. Rule Fix Not Included in Omnibus**

The EPA’s and Army Corps of Engineer’s Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) rule survived a proposed roll-back in the omnibus despite the Government Accountability Office’s (GAO) finding that the EPA broke the law by violating publicity or propaganda and anti-lobbying provisions. See: [http://www.gao.gov/products/B-326944](http://www.gao.gov/products/B-326944). By the time the GAO report was issued, lawmakers were already hashing out a deal to end the 40 year old oil export ban in exchange for the removal of environmental riders in the omnibus bill.

In November, Democrats filibustered a bill (S. 1140) from Sen. John Barrasso (WY) that would have forced the EPA to scrap the WOTUS rule and start over. Instead, senators passed a filibuster-proof resolution to block the rule, but lawmakers did not have enough votes for a 2/3 majority to overcome a Presidential veto.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit is currently weighing whether it, or the federal district courts, should have authority over the many challenges to the WOTUS rule, but has not yet issued a decision. The North Dakota district court suit, *State of North Dakota, et al., v. EPA, et al.* is continuing absent a 6th Circuit order.

Finally, the American Farm Bureau Federation is publicizing a California farmer’s dispute with the Army Corps of Engineers as a cautionary tale for what could happen if the WOTUS rule is adopted. John Duarte, the California farmer, was issued a cease and desist order by the Army Corps of Engineers for basically plowing his
field and planting wheat. The Army Corps of Engineers claimed that Duarte violated the Clean Water Act in discharging dredge-and-fill materials in a nearby creek without a permit. For details, see:  
http://www.fb.org/newsroom/news_article/383/

2015 a Record-Setting Year for Federal Regulations

Speaking of federal rules ----- this year’s Federal Register, which publishes federal agency rules, proposed rules, and notices as well as executive orders from the president totaled 81,611 pages (with one day to go in 2015). That’s an all-time record, and is over 4,000 pages more than last year and surpasses the previous record set in 2010. They may have to rewrite the civics textbooks to include a 4th branch of government---- “the regulators”! (That’s an inside joke here in the nation’s capital among policy wonks.) In 2015, there were 3,378 final rules and regulations among the pages of the Federal Register, with another 2,334 proposed rules that are at various stages of consideration.

Europeans, Canadians Conclude Glyphosate ‘Unlikely to Cause Cancer in Humans’

In November, the very cautious European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) concluded that glyphosate is unlikely to cause cancer in humans. The Canadian Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) in April also concluded that “the overall weight of evidence indicates that glyphosate is unlikely to pose a human cancer risk.” EFSA stated glyphosate toxicity should be reduced by lessening its dose, but the substance is not likely to be genotoxic or damaging to DNA. “Glyphosate is not proposed to be classified as carcinogenic under the EU regulation for classification, labeling and packaging of chemical substances,” EFSA says. “In particular, all the Member State experts but one agreed that neither the epidemiological data (i.e., on humans) nor the evidence from animal studies demonstrated causality between exposure to glyphosate and the development of cancer in humans.”


SAVE THE DATE- Participate in events across the nation to raise awareness and identify solutions to invasive species issues at local, state, tribal, regional, international and national scales. Locate an invasive species event in your state or county. Plan your own event using the NISAW Toolkit – where and when it works for you! Plan to attend the NISAW 2016 reception and briefings on Capitol Hill! Check www.nisaw.org for the NISAW Toolkit for planning local events and the NISAW Event Locator – as well as more specific dates, details, event schedules, complete lists of partners and further developments and other potential events in Washington, DC.

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The 2016 Western Invasive Weed Short Course will be held April 18 - 21, 2016, at the Sylvan Dale Guest Ranch in Loveland, Colorado.

The continued partnership with Sylvan Dale Guest Ranch allows us to provide some unique training opportunities. One of the truly unique features of the Short Course is the ability to have a long-term restoration plot. Sylvan Dale has worked with us to establish a fenced site where we have been able to demonstrate weed management combined with native grass establishment. The plots were designed in a way that allows the course participants to see the progression of control and restoration over a three-year period. An opening night twilight weed walk is a great way to see the ranch and start learning some weeds.

The WIWSC is an intensive study of current technologies and best management practices associated with noxious and invasive weeds in the western United States. Participants gain up-to-date knowledge specific to invasive weed management with interactive sessions that include:

- Classroom lecture
- Hands-on demonstration
- Field plots
- Facilitated discussion
- Live weed and herbicide symptomology specimens
- Small group projects
- Educational games
- Time for individual interaction with instructors

The 2016 WIWSC will be similar to the previous Courses, to see agendas please visit http://www.mountainwestpest.com/Current_Course.html. The Organizing Committee builds the final agenda based on a pre-course survey of the registered participants to assess specific areas of participant interest. The pre-course survey will not be sent to participants until they have completed the registration process.

Our target participants are local, state, federal government, and other land managers throughout the western region desiring a better understanding of weed management. WIWSC is designed to benefit both those new to invasive plant management and experienced professionals seeking a comprehensive update in western invasive weeds and their management. The WIWSC instructors are from the Western Society of Weed Science.

Registration will open in the fall of 2015. Enrollment is limited and is accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please contact Sandra McDonald, Course Coordinator, for additional information at 970-266-9573 or Sandra@MountainWestPEST.com.

Sandra McDonald
Pesticide Safety Educator
(970) 266-9573
Save new date and location
June 13-17, 2016
Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel and Spa on Del Monte Golf Course

To protect ISAA 2016 participants from the renovations in the original venues: the storied Monterey Conference Center, the Portola Hotel and Spa, and the Monterey Marriott, ISAA is taking advantage of an opportunity to stay in Monterey, California in the better-suited Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel and Spa on Del Monte Golf Course. In doing so, the ISAA 2016 Symposium will be brought forward one week and held from 13 to 17 June 2016.

Join us and our great sponsors and speakers in Monterey in 2016
Our ISAA 2016 Partner

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...and other ISAA 2016 sponsors as of 16 October 2015:

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Tiered sponsorships, as well as these opportunities (and more) for sponsorship are still available: Coffee breaks, breakfasts, lunches, welcome reception, poster session, the proceedings publication, symposium app, and an interesting array of ag field trips.

For further information on ISAA 2016, contact
Solito Sumulong, ISAA 2016 Organizing Chair, Loveland Products, Crop Production Services, Loveland, CO, USA, +1 970-685-3579, solito.sumulong@cpsagu.com

www.isaa2016.org
Mark your calendars and plan to attend the 2\textsuperscript{nd} Global Herbicide Resistance Challenge May 14-18, 2017 in Denver, Colorado, USA.

The 2\textsuperscript{nd} GHRC expects to attract weed scientists in research, education, government, and industry for four days of presentations and networking on key weed resistance issues throughout the world.

Visit the official website (\url{www.ghrc2017.org}) for detailed information about the program, registration, call for abstracts, hotel accommodations, travel, sponsor/exhibitor opportunities and much more! It will be updated periodically.

Preregistration for GHRC 2017 is now open. By preregistering, you can save on registration fees and reserve a spot. While we hope everyone who expresses a desire to attend has the opportunity to participate, we understand that life sometimes interferes with travel plans. Pre-registration is only an indication of interest not a monetary commitment.

Complete the “I Plan to Attend” form available at \url{http://www.ghrc2017.org/registration-1.html} to pre-register and receive a $50.00 discount on registration (Full and Student). Please share this form with anyone else who might be interested. Remember a discount code is assigned to the individual not the organization.

Proceedings Editor, Bill McCloskey, has posted the Proceedings from the 2015 Portland, Oregon 68\textsuperscript{th} annual meeting of the Western Society of Weed Science to the WSWS website. You can view or download the Proceedings by following this link:

Deadline: Mail-in registration must be postmarked by February 13, 2016. **PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION-NO EXCEPTIONS.** Check or Money Order (U.S. Dollars) Only. Credit card payments may be made with online registration. Visit: [www.wsweedscience.org](http://www.wsweedscience.org) No refunds after March 1, 2016. Questions? wsbs@marathonag.com or (575) 649-7157.

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Do you want to participate in Student Night Out?  _____Yes  _____No

The Student Night Out program matches students with weed science professionals for an evening out to dinner during the Annual Meeting. If you checked Yes, someone will follow-up with you before the meeting.

Note: Onsite registration at the meeting is at the higher rates listed above. The full program will be posted at the website in mid-January.

IF NOT ATTENDING, BUT WANT TO REMAIN A MEMBER, FILL IN THE INFORMATION BELOW AND SEND $30.00 FOR DUES $ ______

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Send to:  
WSWS/Phil Banks  
205 W. Boutz, Bldg 4, Ste 5  
Las Cruces, NM 88005
Publications Available From the Western Society of Weed Science

(All prices include shipping and handling; bulk orders may be discounted, see below)

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_____ Interactive Encyclopedia of North American Weeds DVD...........$50.00

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All publications can be ordered online at www.wsweedscience.org (click on publications)

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