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NAREA Newsletter • Fall 2012

President's Column

Kathleen P. Bell

Greetings from Orono, Maine. As I assemble this newsletter and reflect on NAREA's recent accomplishments, I am inspired by the ingenuity and collegiality of the membership and organization. Strong historic leadership, institutional flexibility, devoted members, and longstanding regional interest in our events and scholarship help NAREA continue to thrive as an organization. I am happy to report that NAREA's membership and participation in the annual meeting have continued to be stable over the last few years. Increasing these measures will require continued collaborations among the Board, meeting organizers and hosts, committee members, the membership, and membership institutions. As the plans develop for the 2013 NAREA Annual Meeting, I am excited by the prospects for future collaborations and growth. Former NAREA President Harry Kaiser (Cornell University) is serving as the local host of the upcoming 2013 NAREA Annual Meeting. He is coordinating with Bradley Rickard (Cornell University), host of the 2013 NAREA Workshop on Beverage Markets and Policy, and President-Elect Joshua Duke (University of Delaware), Program Chair of the 2013 Annual Meeting, to deliver yet another special event.

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NAREA's success over the last year is the result of both general contributions from the membership as a whole and outstanding contributions from individual members. I will employ this column to thank the membership at large and select members in particular, and to bring attention to recent activities and upcoming events.

First, I thank the 104 members that participated in the 2012 Annual Meeting. Your participation is critical to the success of our signature annual event. I hope to see you all again this June in Ithaca, NY.

Thank you to the NAREA Executive Board for your exceptional service. NAREA members elected several new members to the Board last fall. We elected Joshua Duke (University of Delaware) to be the next President. Joshua is serving as President-Elect this year. He will commence his duties as President in June 2013 at our annual business meeting. We also elected Alison Borchers (USDA ERS) and Martin Heintzelman (Clarkson University) to serve as board members for three year terms. William Wheeler (EPA) continues in his role as our government representative. We extend parting thanks to former Past-President Robert Johnston, Rachel Bouvier (University of Southern Maine), and Barrett Kirwan (University of Illinois) for their excellent service.

I extend special thanks to Secretary-Treasurer, Doug Morris (University of New Hampshire), and Past-President Jill Caviglia-Harris. Our incorporation and sound financial condition are due to Doug's long-standing oversight of our finances. Our successful navigation of recent challenges results from Jill's attention to detail, foresight, collaborative spirit, and extraordinary work on the website and early career mentoring program.

Special thanks also go to former NAREA presidents, Jacqueline Geoghegan and Dan Lass, who colluded productively as the local organizers of the 2012 Annual Meeting in Lowell, MA. I extend additional thanks to the members of the 2012 selected papers and symposia committee (Mario Teisl (Chair), Dana Bauer, Peyton Ferrier, Martin Heintzelman, Todd Schmit, and Farhed Shah), our webmaster (Jill Caviglia-Harris), members who volunteered to moderate sessions (Allison Borchers, Rachel Bouvier, David Just, Farhed Shah, Paul Gottlieb, Brad Rickard, Will Wheeler, Barrett Kirwan, Jill Caviglia-Harris, Todd Schmit, Joshua Duke, Edward Jaenicke, Kent Messer, Alan Collins, and Dana Bauer), the team of graduate students from Clark University, and Jackie's young children, Maire and Cait, for ensuring the success of this event. Dr. Katherine R. Smith, the 2012 recipient of the NAREA Outstanding Public Service through Economics Award, gave an inspiring and insightful talk about "Economic Science and Policy." Consistent with the spirit of the award she received, Dr. Smith emphasized opportunities for broadening the impact of economic science, strengthening connections between scientists and policy-makers, and navigating complex boundaries related to economics and policy. The paper version of her talk will soon be coming out in *ARER*. We are very fortunate to have Katherine's impressive example to follow, and I am delighted that she took the time to reflect formally on the interactions between economic science and policy. David Hart of the University of Maine and Jim Boyd of Resources for the Future also stressed research themes related to crossing and managing boundaries in their respective talks on sustainability science and ecosystem services. Novel collaborations between economists and other scientists are both advancing research frontiers and

helping induce productive changes in academic institutions. It is wonderful to see NAREA members engaged in these collaborations. In addition to these invited speakers, the program included 60 NAREA selected papers.

Many thanks to Dana Bauer (Chair, Boston University), Robert Johnston (Clark University), and Carolyn Dimitri (New York University) for supporting and organizing the 2012 Workshop, and facilitating the special issue of *ARER*. The 2012 Workshop, *The Economics of Agricultural and Rural Ecosystem Services*, showcased economics research on ecosystem services. Jim Boyd of Resources for the Future delivered the keynote address, "Cross-Disciplinary Ecosystem Services Research: Getting Ecology and Economics to Sing Together." Former NAREA Presidents James Shortle and Stephen Swallow delivered two outstanding plenary talks. In addition to these invited speakers, the program included 13 selected papers, many of which will soon be appearing in a special issue of *ARER*.

The 2012 NAREA Annual Meeting launched a new "Past-Presidents' Round Table". Jill Caviglia-Harris (Salisbury University) organized this event, with help from former President Robert Johnston (Clark University) and myself. We designed the event to foster open communications among present and former leadership. We thank the Past-Presidents who attended for sharing their feedback and ideas. We will be continuing this event at the 2013 NAREA Annual Meeting, and hope the event becomes an opportunity for mutual learning, mentoring, and celebration.

We will continue to build on past successes at the 2013 Annual Meeting in Ithaca, NY. Joshua Duke (University of Delaware) has been working closely with our local

organizing committee, including Harry Kaiser (Cornell University), to put together the program and arrangements for the upcoming annual meeting to be held on June 23-25, 2013. The Early Career Scholar Event will return to the program in a new form, the Career Advancement and Mentoring Program (CAM). The 2013 Workshop on Beverage Markets and Policy is being coordinated by Brad Rickard (Chair, Cornell University), Todd Schmit, Miguel Gomez, Harry Kaiser, Jill McCluskey, Dana Bauer, and Jerry Fletcher. Some financial support for the workshop has been obtained from the Food and Agricultural Marketing and Policy Section of AAEA and the Zwick Center for Food and Resource Policy at University of Connecticut. More details on the 2012 Annual Meeting and Workshop can be found later in the newsletter and at the meeting website (www.narea.org/2013/).

Planning is also underway for our 2014 Annual Meeting and Workshop in Morgantown, WV. Mark Sperow, Alan Collins, and Cheryl Brown from West Virginia University are leading the annual meeting planning efforts. Jerry Fletcher, also from West Virginia University, will chair the workshop, which will be focused on energy economics research themes. Stay tuned for additional details on future meetings and workshops as they become available.

David Just, Kent Messer, and Sean Cash are doing a wonderful job sharing the editorial duties of *ARER*. Their service extends above and beyond standard editorial duties, and I would like to thank them for their extensive work helping to improve the listing of and access to *ARER*. Like NAREA, *ARER* is responding well to new opportunities and challenges. As David Just prepares to end his editorial term, I thank him for years of

exceptional service, and I welcome incoming editor, Arnab Basu. I extend a fond farewell to Leisl Koch, who is stepping down as the technical editor of *ARER*. She will be greatly missed, and we wish her well. Natalie Karst has joined the *ARER* team, and, by all accounts is following the outstanding example set by Liesl. The April 2012 issue of the Journal includes select papers from the 2011 NAREA Workshop, *Economics and Child Nutrition Programs*. Additional details regarding our journal, including new annual awards, can be found later in the newsletter and at the *ARER* website (<http://www.narea.org/journal/>).

The NAREA Board of Directors held its second biannual meeting on October 19, 2012 at the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in Washington, DC. I thank William Wheeler and Sarah Marrinan of EPA for arranging the facilities for the meeting and coordinating the arrival and security process. Abridged versions of the reports presented at the meeting are included in this newsletter. Primary topics discussed at the meeting included details of the upcoming 2013 and 2014 NAREA Annual Meetings and plans to ensure the sustainability of NAREA and *ARER*.

Lastly, I would like to thank the membership again for continued support. Members contribute to the organization in diverse ways, and these varied offerings keep the organization and journal strong. With that in mind, please take the time to renew your NAREA membership for 2013 (see the form at the back of this newsletter or at the NAREA web site) and consider nominating a colleague or student for one of the NAREA or *ARER* awards. I was excited to meet several faculty and students new to the region at the 2012 Annual Meeting and Workshop. Let's continue to grow by extending invitations to new colleagues to

participate in our organization and meetings. The CAM Program, described in further detail later in the newsletter, presents an excellent opportunity to establish relationships with junior faculty in the region. Special thanks to the Universities of Connecticut, Delaware, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Maine and the Pennsylvania State University for achieving the highest participation at the 2012 Annual Meeting.

My job is made easy by the past and present service of others in the organization. Thank you all for your ingenuity and collegiality. In closing, I ask members, old and new, to take a few minutes to honor our former colleague, Dr. Peter J. Parks, a past editor of *ARER*. I extend condolences to his family and colleagues from Rutgers, especially Paul Gottlieb who shared the following obituary.

In Memoriam Dr. Peter J. Parks (1960-2012)

Professor Peter John Parks of the Rutgers Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics passed away in early April after a year-long battle with cancer. Peter seemed destined to be an academician from birth. He was born at the Stanford University Hospital to parents George Albert Parks, a professor at the university, and Anna Parks. He proved a keen and able student, excelling in high school and beginning what would become an enduring connection to higher education.

Peter graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor's degree from Oregon State University's College of Forestry in 1982. He went on to earn a master's degree in Environmental Science, Management and Policy from the University of California–Berkeley. He added a doctorate in

Agricultural Economics from that same institution in 1987. He became a professor at Duke University in 1986, eventually chairing the university's Resource Economics and Policy Program and coordinating its Concurrent MBA Programs until 1993.

In 1993 Peter joined the Rutgers Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics where he specialized in environmental and resource economics. As a resource economist, Peter quickly became one of the world's leading experts on the choices that rural stakeholders make to destroy or create forests. This work led to articles that deepened our understanding of deforestation in developing countries, where property rights are often weak. It also led to a series of papers that described the ideal attributes of a public policy designed to incentivize the planting of forests for the purpose of carbon sequestration. Given the growing interest in climate change over the course of Peter's career, these articles have been widely cited. They generated frequent requests for advice and collaboration from policy makers and academic colleagues.

In the latter part of his career, Peter focused on refining the tools that economists use to analyze and predict land use decisions. This led to his being asked to co-edit an international collection of papers, *The Economics of Land Use*, in 2003. It also contributed to his appointment to the editorial board of *Land Economics*, the pre-eminent journal in this field. Peter served on the editorial boards of two other journals, the *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management* and the *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review*, and was for two years editor-in-chief of the latter.

Peter was a dedicated and popular teacher who taught his department's core courses in

environmental economics and intermediate microeconomics. He also taught managerial economics classes in the Rutgers Executive MBA program, in New Jersey, China, and Singapore. He is credited with being a key reason for the success of this program, leading the *Financial Times* to rank the Rutgers Executive MBA program number three in the world in "Economics" in 2011. Peter was able to internationalize his environmental teaching and scholarship as well, with a succession of visiting appointments at Gothenburg University in Sweden and at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences.

Peter brought a deep generosity of spirit to a job that he loved. He offered sagacious advice in matters of departmental administration, and he mentored junior faculty members with knowledge and candor. He combined incredible scholarly focus with a positive, spiritual outlook on life. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

Peter spent almost twenty years as a resident of East Brunswick, New Jersey. He is survived by his wife of 24 years Bonnie, children Monica and Daniel, parents George and Anna Parks, and sister Louisa.

Donations in Peter Parks's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, <https://www.cancer.org/involved/donate/donateonlinenow/index>.

2012 NAREA Annual Meeting

Kathleen P. Bell, Jacqueline Geoghegan, and Dan Lass

The 2012 NAREA Annual Meeting held at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell Inn and Conference Center in historic downtown Lowell, Massachusetts (June 10-12, 2012), was a great success. The sixteen selected paper sessions and two invited plenary talks (David Hart, University of Maine and James Boyd, RFF) introduced attendees to a range of innovative research activities, inspired thoughtful and engaging discussions, and facilitated networking among new and old NAREA members. These talks and the standard NAREA conference format collectively provided an excellent atmosphere for networking and learning. Our annual meeting continues to fill regional needs for collaborative research and mentoring opportunities.

The sixteen selected paper sessions included 60 accepted presentations (109 paper abstract submissions; 64 accepted papers; 4 withdrawals). Submissions were up slightly relative to past years (56 of 82 papers accepted in 2011; 57 of 88 papers accepted in 2010). We extend special thanks to the Selected Papers and Symposia Committee Members: Mario Teisl (Chair), Dana Bauer, Peyton Ferrier, Martin Heintzelman, Todd Schmit, and Farhed Shah. We extend additional thanks to members of the Program Committee, Workshop Committee, and various Awards Committees for their efforts and to numerous members for their service as session moderators.

There were a total of 104 registrants for the NAREA Annual Meeting and the Post-Meeting Workshop. There were 91 registrants for the Annual Meeting and 99 annual meeting attendees (conference scholarships, invited speakers, and student

workers were not asked to pay the registration fee). There were 48 registrants for the workshop. Of the total registrants, 66 were regular registrants (NAREA members) and 38 were students.

Twenty-one students applied for the NAREA Conference Scholarship Award. We awarded 15 scholarships (compared to 15/27 in 2011 and 15/21 in 2010).

2012 Agricultural and Rural Ecosystem Services Workshop

Dana Bauer

The 2012 NAREA Workshop on the economics of agricultural and rural ecosystem services was held on June 12-13, 2012, immediately following the NAREA Annual Meeting at the University of Massachusetts Conference Center in Lowell, Massachusetts. The final agenda included Tuesday morning's keynote address (James Boyd, RFF) held in coordination with the Annual Meeting, two invited lunchtime plenary speakers (James Shortle, Pennsylvania State University, and Stephen Swallow, University of Connecticut), twelve selected papers (divided into four sessions with three 30-minute presentations), and one working session.

We had 49 registered participants representing academia, government, and the private sector, including four attendees from outside of North America. A total of 89 combined Conference and Workshop participants attended Jim Boyd's keynote. Thirteen papers were submitted to ARER by the July deadline for the Special Issue and are currently undergoing an expedited review.

Financial support, in the amount of \$49,988, was obtained from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and

Agriculture (USDA/NIFA grant #2011-67023-30913).

Many thanks are due to Rob Johnston, Jill Caviglia-Harris, Jackie Geoghegan, Dan Lass, Doug Morris, and Carolyn Dimitri for their efforts on grant proposal writing, abstract review, website development and maintenance, online abstract submission, online registration, meeting site contract negotiations, and onsite logistics. I am particularly indebted to Rob Johnston for his amazing proposal writing and attention to details throughout the process, as well as his efforts in Co-Hosting the event.

2012 NAREA Awards

Kathleen P. Bell

NAREA Outstanding Public Service Through Economics

Katherine R. Smith
Executive Director, the Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics (COPAFS)

Economic Science and Policy

NAREA Distinguished Member Award

C.S. Kim
USDA, Economic Research Service

NAREA Outstanding M.S. Thesis Award

Steven Dundas
University of Delaware
Advisor: Joshua, Duke

Public goods and spatial location: stated preference prioritization with spatial interdependencies

NAREA M.S. Thesis Awards of Merit

Zachary Kaufman
Pennsylvania State University
Advisor: James Shortle

Agricultural best management practice adoption decisions and spatial dependence in southeastern Pennsylvania farms and watersheds

Swetha Valluri
University of Massachusetts
Advisor: Sheila Mammen

Determinants of health care use among rural, low-income mothers and children: a simultaneous systems approach to negative binomial regression modeling

NAREA Outstanding ARER Article

Erik Lichtenberg
University of Maryland

Open space and urban sprawl: the effects of zoning and forest conservation regulations in Maryland.

NAREA Conference Scholarships

Meri Davlasheridze
The Pennsylvania State University

Jamison Douglas
Salisbury University

Qin Fan
The Pennsylvania State University
Shuay-Tsyr Ho
Cornell University

Michee Arnold Lachaud
University of Connecticut

Tingting Liu
University of Rhode Island
Joseph Llobrera
Tufts University

Umi Muawanah
University of Connecticut

Nikolaos Mykoniatis
The Pennsylvania State University

Nataliya Plesha
University of Connecticut

Jennifer Popkin
University of Delaware

Georgios Sfinarolakis
University of Rhode Island

Darshana Udayanganie
University of New Hampshire

Rou Yu Wu
University of Connecticut

Shang Wu
University of Delaware

2013 NAREA Annual Meeting

Joshua Duke and Harry Kaiser

The Northeast Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA) will hold its 2013 Annual Meeting in Ithaca, NY, June 23 to June 25, 2013. NAREA will sponsor selected paper sessions, symposia, and workshop papers (for a pre-conference workshop on beverage markets and policy on June 22-23).

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn in downtown Ithaca with the

government rate of \$118 per room plus tax (two queen beds) or \$128 plus tax in the tower (king size bed). The opening reception will be held on Sunday evening (June 23, 2013) at the Holiday Inn and is free for those registering for the conference. The conference registration fee is \$150 for members, \$180 for non-members, \$75 for member students and \$90 for non-member students prior to May 1, 2013; after this date the registration fee is \$200 for members, \$225 for non-members, \$100 for member students and \$110 for non-member students. The registration fee includes the Sunday evening reception and ticket to Monday's Awards Luncheon. The conference program will include further details once posted.

The Local Arrangements Chair for the 2013 NAREA Annual Meeting is Harry Kaiser (Cornell University). The Program Chair is President-Elect Josh Duke (University of Delaware). Questions related to annual meeting paper and symposium submission can be directed to Josh Duke. Questions related to local arrangements can be directed to Harry Kaiser, while questions related to the workshop can be directed to Brad Rickard (see below).

Selected paper and symposia abstracts are due **February 1, 2013**. Additional details can be found in the call for papers published later in the newsletter and by visiting the NAREA Annual Meeting Website (www.narea.org/2013/).

2013 NAREA Workshop on Beverage Markets and Policy

Bradley Rickard

The 2013 NAREA Workshop on Beverage Marketing and Policy Issues will be held at the Holiday Inn in Ithaca, New York immediately before the NAREA Annual Meeting. The NAREA Workshop will take

place on June 22-23, followed by the Annual Meeting on June 23-25. Immediately following the Workshop, during the afternoon on Sunday June 23, we will organize a tour of selected wineries in the Finger Lakes Wine region and give Workshop participants an opportunity to meet with winery owners and to try some of the local wines.

The workshop will begin with a keynote address at noon on Saturday June 22, 2013 from a recognized expert in the field. Following the keynote address we will organize four sessions of selected paper presentations that comprise four papers each; two sessions will occur during the afternoon on June 22, 2013 and two more will occur during the morning on Sunday June 23, 2013.

This Workshop will bring together researchers examining economic issues in markets for fluid milk products, fruit juices, soda, beer, and wine, among other beverages as a way to broaden our understanding of the key concerns facing producers, manufacturers, and consumers of these products. The Workshop Planning Committee is particularly interested in papers that include an evaluation of policy issues that are relevant to each of these beverage categories. The goal of the 2013 NAREA Workshop on Beverage Marketing and Policy Issues is to convene recognized and emerging experts to debate and advance research on the contemporary economic problems in beverage markets, with an emphasis on the development of policies that address economic development, sustainable agriculture, and human health considerations. Some financial support has been obtained from the Food and Agricultural Marketing and Policy Section of AAEE and the Zwick Center for Food

and Resource Policy at University of Connecticut.

A special issue of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Review (ARER) will be published from workshop papers accepted after an expedited version of the journal's peer-review process. At this point authors of papers selected to be published in the special issue of ARER will be responsible for covering their page charges; however, we will continue to look for funding to support the costs of page charges for this special issue.

Authors wishing to have a paper considered for the NAREA Workshop should submit an extended abstract by **Friday, February 15, 2013**. Additional details can be found in the call for papers published later in the newsletter and by visiting the Annual Meeting Website (www.narea.org/2013/).

2013 Career Advancement and Mentorship Program

Jill Caviglia-Harris

Pre-tenured faculty are cordially invited to attend the Career Advancement and Mentorship (CAM) Program sponsored by the Northeastern Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA) to be held in concert with the 2013 Annual Meeting June 23-25, Ithaca, NY. This event, scheduled for June 23, will build on programs held in 2010 and 2011, providing young scholars the opportunity to learn about the organization and be involved in short presentations on issues important to early career scholars (such as publishing, teaching, grant writing and presentation skills). In addition, selected participants will be invited to be a part of a year-long one-on-one mentoring program. Interested participants will be able to register for the CAM Program at the time they register for

the NAREA Annual Meeting. Those interested in the year-long mentoring program will need to apply by April 30, 2013 through a short application to be posted to the NAREA website by January 31, 201. We expect that up to 10 mentors and mentees will participate in the mentoring part of the program, and that matching will be done based on mentor and mentee preferences and interests. Space in both the CAM program and the year-long mentoring program is limited. For more information please contact Jill Caviglia-Harris (jlcaviglia-harris@salisbury.edu) and visit the NAREA website, <http://www.narea.org/2013/conference/CAM%20Program-apply.asp>.

2014 Annual Meeting and Workshop in Morgantown, WV

Mark Sperow and Jerry Fletcher

The Northeast Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA) will hold its 2014 Annual Meeting in Morgantown, West Virginia. Our hosts from West Virginia University include Mark Sperow, Alan Collins, Cheryl Brown, and Jerry Fletcher. The 2014 NAREA Workshop will bring together researchers examining energy issues. The meeting and workshop will be held in Morgantown, WV from Sunday June 1, 2014 through Tuesday, June 3, 2014.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Doug Morris

Our current membership includes 195 regular members and 84 student members. We also have 27 honorary life members. There are 55 libraries that have subscribed to our journal.

As of October 1, 2012, the Association has total assets of \$131,846.81. The NAREA money is currently invested in secure, easily

accessible savings accounts plus minimal amounts in the operating checking account.

Agricultural and Resource Economics Review (ARER)

Editor's Report

David Just, Kent Messer, and Sean Cash

As we near the close of 2012, we are happy to announce that the number of submissions to ARER remains strong. This year we had 86 papers submitted (or resubmitted thus far) as compared to 80, 71, 78 and 55 for 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 respectively, with the acceptance rate remaining close to that from the previous year.

The August 2012 issue of the journal was delivered on time thanks to the valiant efforts of our newest technical editor Natalie Karst. This issue featured nine very solid articles. Liesl is now working on the final proofs of the December issue which will also feature nine articles. As we make a push for SSCI listing, the editorial team has intentionally limited the number of articles appearing in each issue to ensure that we have the proper backlog of articles necessary to sustain on-time publication of full issues. December will be Liesl's last issue, and we thank her for her many devoted years of service.

For the special issue for April 2013, we have received 13 manuscripts from the workshop and are still working on getting a few additional manuscripts. Depending on space availability, we are currently considering adding the two NAREA invited talks (Smith and Hart/Bell) into the special issue as their talks hit on themes similar to the workshop. Based on the first round of reviews, we anticipate that the majority of the submitted papers will successfully navigate the review process as these papers were both pre-

screened and benefited from constructive criticism provided by workshop participants.

With our present emphasis on obtaining SSCI listing, we have made a conscious effort to bring about the changes in the journal that are necessary to obtain a listing. This includes a new format for the journal, including a new font and single column print. Additionally, we have created added incentives for graduate students as well as successful faculty to submit. The effects of these programs are yet to be fully realized. We believe we have a strong case for SSCI listing. Based on results from a Google scholar search for both ARER and the closest benchmark competitor that is already SSCI listed, JARE, we compare favorably. In recent years, our high citation rate was driven by very well-organized special issues that increased the citation numbers. Ensuring that special issues are well organized, include high profile scholars, and are highly-cited is crucial to ensuring the continued rise in the journal's profile.

We are also pleased to announce that the NAREA Board elected Arnab K. Basu from Cornell University to serve as an editor of ARER starting in January 1, 2013. Arnab will be replacing David Just who will be completing his term of service at the end of 2012.

Time to Join NAREA or Renew Your Membership!

2013 Membership fees are due on January 1, 2013. There are two options to pay dues: an annual fee of \$25 regular and \$10 student; or a three year membership at \$65 regular and \$20 student. Forms are available at the back of this newsletter and at the NAREA website

(<http://www.narea.org/Membership.html>).

These options are also available through the AAEA website for individuals who wish to pay for multiple memberships at once: www.aaea.org. Questions should be directed to the NAREA Secretary-Treasurer Doug Morris (dr.doug@unh.edu).

Send membership forms to:

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Environment
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NAREA Award for Outstanding Public Service through Economics

NAREA calls for nominations for the 2013 Award for Outstanding Public Service through Economics. This award honors and recognizes economists who have applied agricultural, environmental, consumer, resource, or community development economics in a unique way that has contributed toward solving important problems and improving the welfare of society. The recipient(s) need not be a member of the Association. The nomination letter should focus on why the nominee meets the criteria for the award. Nominees will be evaluated on the quality of their work and their demonstrated contribution to improving societal welfare as indicated by the nomination letter.

The recipient(s) will be invited to present an address at the 2013 NAREA Annual Meeting in Ithaca, NY that will be published in the *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review (ARER)*. The recipient will receive an honorarium of \$1,000 to cover travel costs. Additional information on nominations and past award recipients can be found at NAREA's website, <http://www.narea.org/awards/>.

The deadline for nominations is **January 4, 2013**. Please email letters of nomination and biographical sketches to Kathleen Bell (kpbell@maine.edu).

Nominations for Distinguished and Honorary Member Awards

NAREA calls for nominations for Distinguished Member and Honorary Life Member Awards.

All members of NAREA are eligible for nomination to receive the Distinguished Member Award, in recognition for “continuous and outstanding contributions to the Association, the region and the profession” and typically “to recognize members for significant recent professional achievements in the context of an overall meritorious record.” Recipients may be in teaching, research, extension, administration, government or business. .

The Honorary Life Member Award is given to individuals who are recent active members and who have retired from their main professional position. It recognizes members in good standing of the Northeastern Agricultural and Resource Economics Association who have actively participated in the affairs of the Association and its predecessor organizations as appropriate, and who, while maintaining an active interest in their profession, have recently retired from their formal professional position that comprised the major reason for their initial involvement with the Association.

Candidates for both awards must be nominated by a NAREA member in good standing. The nomination letter should specify why the member is deserving of the award. Additional information can be found at NAREA's website, <http://www.narea.org/awards/>.

The deadline for nominations is **March 4, 2013**. Please email nominations to: Dan Lass (dan.lass@isenberg.umass.edu).

Nominations for NAREA Master's Thesis Awards

The NAREA Outstanding MS Thesis Award includes a \$250 cash prize, a certificate, and publication of an abstract (250 word maximum) in the Agricultural and Resource Economics Review at no charge to the award winner.

The NAREA Master's Thesis Award of Merit includes a \$50 cash prize, a certificate, and publication of an abstract (250 word maximum) in the Agricultural and Resource Economics Review at no charge to the award winner. Up to three awards of merit may be granted.

These nominations for considerations by the Awards Committee will be evaluated according to the problem formulation, conceptual approach, quality of research, and quality of communication. Nominations must be received by **March 3, 2013**.

Eligibility: Eligible theses include all those that meet the following criteria:

(1) The thesis must have been accepted by any institution of higher learning in the Northeast including those in the Maritime Provinces, Quebec, and Washington, D.C., during the period January 1, 2012, to December 31, 2012.

(2) The thesis topic must address an issue within the purview of NAREA. A maximum of two theses per department will be considered by the committee. Only those theses nominated by the department chair, or graduate program director, will be considered by the committee. In addition, any member of NAREA may petition the Committee to consider a thesis accepted by another institution in the Northeast, including those in the Maritime Provinces, Quebec, and Washington, D.C. Before the

thesis is considered, the Committee will evaluate the petition.

Submission guidelines: To submit a thesis for consideration, please send via email pdf copies of the following:

- (1) a nominating letter;
- (2) the full thesis; and
- (3) the thesis abstract (250 word maximum)

to Ash Morgan, Chair of the M.S. Thesis Awards Committee by March 3, 2013 (morganoa@appstate.edu).

Graduate Student Conference Scholarships

NAREA Graduate Student Conference Scholarships encourage graduate students to attend the annual NAREA meetings. Each scholarship is for \$150, and is intended to help defray the cost of conference attendance. Priority for Scholarships will be given to NAREA members and students who are presenting papers or participating in symposia, although others who may benefit from attendance are also encouraged to apply. All scholarship recipients will be recognized at the NAREA Awards Luncheon.

Applicants for the 2013 Scholarships must complete the application form found at <http://www.narea.org/awards.html>.

Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. The application deadline is **April 27, 2013**. Questions about these scholarships can be sent via email to President-Elect Joshua Duke (duke@udel.edu).

ARER Awards

Agricultural and Resource Economics Review (ARER), the official publication of NAREA, is launching a set of new awards in 2013.

ARER Young Scholar Award

Starting in 2013, the *ARER* Young Scholar Award will be given out each year at the NAREA annual meeting. The award will be given annually to the graduate student who co-authors the best paper in *ARER* in the preceding year. The recipient will receive \$1,000. To be eligible, graduate students can be listed anywhere in the author list order, however, preference will be given to publications where the significant contributions of the graduate student are reflected in the author ordering.

ARER Advisor Award

The *ARER* Advisor Award, a companion award to the *ARER* Young Scholar Award, will be given annually to the faculty advisor of the graduate student who wins the *ARER* Young Scholar award for co-authoring the best paper in *ARER* that year.

ARER Fellows Award

The *ARER* Fellows award is for authors who have demonstrated sustained excellence in research and commitment to the association's journal. The *ARER* Fellows award is given to authors who have published five or more peer-reviewed articles in *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review* or under the journal's former name *Journal of the Northeastern Agricultural Economics Council*

For more information about these awards, please contact the *ARER* managing editor at arer@editorialexpress.com.

Future Meetings

2014 West Virginia
2015 Rhode Island
2016 Maine
2017 Pennsylvania
2018 New Hampshire
2019 Nova Scotia
2020 Maryland
2021 Connecticut
2022 Delaware

Presidents' Fund

The Presidents' Fund has been established to support graduate student and early-career professional members' involvement in the Association. All members can contribute to this fund. Past Presidents of the Association are especially encouraged to support this fund. The Secretary-Treasurer is responsible for managing the proceeds of the Past-Presidents' Fund, as well as soliciting contributions to the Fund. A committee composed of the President, Past-President, and President-Elect will be responsible for awarding grants from this fund to graduate students and early-career professionals.

The Association currently has \$10,228.40 in this fund. Please consider adding your financial support to this endeavor through a tax-deductible contribution. To contribute contact the NAREA Secretary-Treasurer Doug Morris (dr.doug@unh.edu) or send contributions (made out to NAREA) to:

Dr. Doug Morris, Secretary - Treasurer
Northeastern Agricultural and Resource
Economics Association
56 College Road, G68 James Hall
Department of Natural Resources and The
Environment
Durham, NH 03824-3589

Please specify that the contributions are to be directed to the Presidents' Fund.

2012-2013 Committee Membership

The NAREA Bylaws provide for several standing committees and the formation of ad hoc committees according to the needs of the Association in any year.

Executive Committee

President
Kathleen Bell
University of Maine

President-elect
Joshua Duke
University of Delaware

Past President
Jill Caviglia-Harris
Salisbury University

Secretary-Treasurer
Douglas E. Morris
University of New Hampshire

Directors
Dana Bauer (2013)
Boston University

Carolyn Dimitri (2013)
New York University

Ted Jaenicke (2014)
Penn State University

Todd Schmit (2014)
Cornell University

Allison Borchers (2015)
USDA Economic Research Service

Martin Heintzelman (2015)
Clarkson University

William Wheeler, Govt. Representative
US Environmental Protection Agency

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Cornell University

Kent Messer (2013)
University of Delaware

Sean Cash (2014)
Tufts University

Arnab Basu (2015)
Cornell University

Webmaster

Jill Caviglia-Harris
Salisbury University

AWARD COMMITTEES

Distinguished and Honorary Life Member Awards

This Committee shall be comprised of three members. The President shall appoint one member each year, except that he may appoint more when a member is unable to complete his or her term. Each member shall serve three years except in cases where appointment has been made to an unexpired term. The senior member shall serve as Chairperson. The Committee shall recommend to the Executive Committee all members to receive the Distinguished and Honorary Life Member Awards.

Dan Lass, Chair (2013)
University of Massachusetts

Donna Ramirez Harrington (2014)
University of Vermont

Tim Phipps (2015)
West Virginia University

Award for Outstanding Public Service through Economics Committee

The objective of this award is to recognize an individual(s) who has applied agricultural, environmental, consumer, resource or community development economics in a unique way that has contributed toward solving an important problem and improving the welfare of society. Through this award, the Association intends to broaden the profession's concept of service and contribution, recognizing that traditional research, teaching and extension may not always be essential ingredients to make a positive impact on society's welfare. The recipient(s) need not be a member of the Association. This award would indicate to economists within, as well as outside, our Association that we are concerned about the application of economics to solve problems affecting society. The President of the Association will establish a committee of six members to solicit nominations for the award and to accept self-nominations. Each member of the Committee will serve a three-year term with two new members appointed to the committee each year. The Committee will submit one nomination to the Executive Committee for approval at the fall Business Meeting each year.

Kathleen Bell, Chair (2013)
University of Maine

Jill Caviglia-Harris (2013)
Salisbury University

Will Wheeler (2013)
US Environmental Protection Agency

Martin Heintzelman (2014)
Clarkson University

Ash Morgan (2014)

Appalachian State University
Zeyuan Qiu (2015)
New Jersey Institute of Technology

Lori Lynch (2015)
University of Maryland

Master's Thesis Award Committee

The Committee shall be comprised of six members. The President shall appoint the members and the chairpersons as needed, with the understanding that each member normally serves 3 years. The senior member shall serve as Chairperson. The Chairperson of the Committee shall report the recipient of the NAREA Outstanding Master's Thesis Award of Merit to the president at least 30 days before the beginning date of the Annual Meeting.

Ash Morgan (2013), Chair
Appalachian State University

Donna Ramirez Harrington (2013)
University of Vermont

Charles Abdalla (2014)
Penn State University

Fen Hunt (2014)
USDA

Yanhong Jin (2015)
Rutgers University

Sahan Dissanayake (2015)
Colby College

ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEES

2013 Annual Meeting Program Committee

The Program Committee shall be comprised of the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate Past President, the Secretary-Treasurer and a representative of the host institution for the forthcoming annual meetings. The President-Elect shall chair this Committee. The Committee shall develop the program and the associated arrangements for the Annual Meeting and any other special meeting that the Executive Committee judges to be in the best interests of the Association.

Joshua Duke, Chair
President-Elect
University of Delaware

Kathleen Bell
President
University of Maine

Jill Caviglia-Harris
Past President
Salisbury University

Douglas E. Morris
Secretary-Treasurer
University of New Hampshire

Harry Kaiser
Host Institution Representative
Cornell University

2013 Annual Meeting Local Arrangements Committee

The Local Arrangements Committee shall be comprised of the President-Elect and at least one representative of the host institution(s) for the forthcoming annual meeting. The Committee shall work with

the webmaster on developing the conference website, make arrangements for the conference site and meeting rooms, and organize the meeting registration.

Joshua Duke, Chair
President-elect
University of Delaware

Harry Kaiser
Cornell University

2013 Workshop Committee

The Annual Workshop Committee shall consist of at least three members. Each year's workshop shall have its own chair appointed by the President at or before the Fall Business Meeting two years prior to the workshop. The workshop chair shall serve a two-year term followed by a six-month term as past-chair. The past-chair will advise the newly-appointed workshop chair. The workshop chair will identify other members of the committee, to be appointed by the President, no later than one year prior to the workshop. The President-Elect will serve as ex-officio member. The Committee shall be charged with: identifying a topic for each workshop; seeking funding sufficient to pay honoraria or other incentives suitable to attract outstanding papers for the Annual Workshop; identifying criteria and referees for selecting papers submitted for workshop consideration; scheduling workshop presentations in coordination with the Program Committee and including any invited speakers that the President-Elect may choose for presentations on the workshop topic; and, in consultation with the Editor, establishing a deadline for submission of workshop papers to the Journal (typically three weeks after the workshop) and assisting in identifying Journal referees.

Bradley Rickard, Chair
Cornell University

Miguel Gomez
Cornell University

Harry Kaiser
Cornell University

Todd Schmit
Cornell University

Dana Bauer, Past Chair
Boston University

Jerry Fletcher, Future Chair
West Virginia University

Ex-Officio
Joshua Duke
President-elect
University of Delaware

Selected Papers and Symposia Committee

The Selected Papers and Symposia Committee shall be comprised of a chairperson appointed to a one-year term by the President-Elect, and five at-large members of the Association. Each year the President-Elect will appoint three members to the committee for a two-year term. The President-Elect shall also appoint additional persons as necessary to replace Committee members who cannot complete the second year of their term.

Martin Heintzelman, Chair (2013)
Clarkson University

Farhed Shah (2013)
University of Connecticut

Dana Bauer (2013)
Boston University

Sarah Jacobson (2014)
Williams College

Patrick Walsh (2014)
US EPA

Richard Vyn (2014)
Guelph University

Ex-Officio
Joshua Duke
University of Delaware

OTHER COMMITTEES

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee shall be comprised of three members appointed by the President. All Members of the Committee shall be located at the same institution as the Secretary-Treasurer. The Committee shall be chaired by the Chairperson of the Agricultural Economics Department or its equivalent. The Committee shall be responsible for certifying to the Association the accuracy of the record of receipts and expenditures and that all expenditures are consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association.

John Halstead, Chair
University of New Hampshire

Alberto Manalo
University of New Hampshire

Kelly Cullen
University of New Hampshire

Membership Committee

The Membership Committee shall be comprised of three members. The President shall appoint one member each year, except that he may appoint more when a member is unable to complete his or her term. Each member shall serve three years except in cases where appointment has been made to an unexpired term. The senior member shall serve as Chairperson. The Committee shall recruit new members for the Association and promote NAREA membership in and outside the Northeast region.

Paul Gottlieb
Rutgers University

Carolyn Dimitri
New York University

Douglas E. Morris
University of New Hampshire

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee shall be comprised of the Immediate Past President and two members appointed by the President. The Committee shall be chaired by the Immediate Past President. The Committee shall be responsible for developing a slate of nominees consisting of two candidates for each office to be elected by the membership and shall serve as Tellers for the mail election of officers.

Jill Caviglia-Harris
Past President
Salisbury University

Kathleen Bell
President
University of Maine

Joshua Duke
President-elect
University of Delaware

Jacqueline Geoghegan
Clark University

Call for NAREA Selected Papers and Symposia

NAREA 2013 Annual Meeting

Ithaca, NY

June 23-25, 2012

Abstract Submission Deadline: February 1, 2013

The Northeast Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA) will hold its 2013 annual meeting in Ithaca, NY, June 23-25, 2013. NAREA will sponsor selected paper sessions, symposia, and workshop papers (for a post-conference workshop on Beverage Marketing and Policy Issues).

There will be two types of sessions at the annual meeting: Selected Papers and Symposium. Selected Paper sessions are an opportunity for individual NAREA members to share their current research. Symposium sessions allow members to organize a group of three or four papers on a specific area that is of interest to the membership. Papers and Symposia are invited in the following subject categories: Consumer, Environment, Marketing, Natural Resources, Trade, Rural/Regional Development, International Development, Policy, Innovation, Industrial Organization, Production/Management, Health and Nutrition, and Energy.

NAREA Selected Paper Proposals: Selected paper submissions include an extended abstract of no more than 500 words. The Selected Papers Committee will review abstracts in terms of significance to the field, methodology, results, and exposition.

NAREA Symposium Proposals: Symposium proposals include a session proposal that explains the strengths of the combined (3-4) papers and the contribution of the symposium to the conference and individual abstracts of the papers comprising the symposium. Symposium proposals should be submitted by the symposium coordinator. Full symposium proposals are submitted in two stages. First, the symposium coordinator submits a session proposal and justification of no more than 500 words along with the contact information of the session paper presenters. After the coordinator submits the session proposal, the NAREA online submission site will email the associated authors of the individual papers comprising the session; the email will provide instructions and a direct online link for these authors to submit their individual paper abstracts.

Abstracts will be submitted online through the annual meeting website (<http://www.narea.org/2013>). The online submission portal is expected to be operational in January. Submission questions can be directed to program chair and president-elect Josh Duke (duke@udel.edu). Local arrangements questions can be directed to local arrangements chair Harry Kaiser (hmk2@cornell.edu).

Authors will be notified of the status of their abstract by March 31, 2013. Please note that, if accepted, all presenters must be NAREA members and registered for the Annual Meeting by May 1, 2013.

Call for NAREA Beverage Marketing and Policy Workshop Papers

NAREA 2013 Workshop

Ithaca, NY

June 22-23, 2012

Abstract Submission Deadline: February 15, 2013

The 2013 NAREA Workshop on Beverage Marketing and Policy Issues will be held at the Holiday Inn in Ithaca, NY immediately before the NAREA Annual Meeting. The NAREA Workshop will take place on June 22-23, followed by the Annual Meeting on June 23-25. Immediately following the Workshop, during the afternoon on Sunday June 23, we will organize a tour of selected wineries in the Finger Lakes Wine region and give Workshop participants an opportunity to meet with winery owners and to try some of the local wines. The 2013 workshop is co-sponsored with the Food and Agricultural Marketing and Policy Section of the American Applied Economics Association and the Zwick Center for Food and Resource Policy, University of Connecticut. The goal of the 2013 NAREA Workshop on Beverage Marketing and Policy Issues is to convene recognized and emerging experts to debate and advance research on the contemporary economic problems in beverage markets, with an emphasis on the development of policies that address economic development, sustainable agriculture, and human health considerations. The workshop will include keynote addresses from recognized experts in the field, selected paper presentations chosen on the basis of submitted abstracts, and in-depth working sessions. A special issue of the *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review* (ARER) will be published from workshop papers accepted after an expedited version of the journal's peer-review process. The Workshop Committee will provide a stipend of \$500 to the presenting author of all selected papers.

Topics for Selected Papers: Beverages are a large component of the total food category, yet the marketing and policy issues facing beverages have received relatively little attention among food and agricultural economists. This Workshop will bring together researchers examining economic issues in markets for fluid milk products, fruit juices, soda, beer, and wine, among other beverages as a way to broaden our understanding of the key concerns facing producers, manufacturers, and consumers of these products. The Workshop Planning Committee is particularly interested in papers that include an evaluation of policy issues that are relevant to each of these beverage categories. Specifically, we seek papers that advance the frontiers of economic analysis related to beverage marketing and policy issues. This includes papers that (1) explore linkages between beverage choices and consumer response, (2) evaluate production and manufacturing capacities and constraints in beverage markets, (3) develop and evaluate mechanisms for policies that aim to influence beverage production and consumption in the United States, and/or (4) otherwise address the role of beverage markets in the development of sustainable agricultural systems and food and agricultural development and welfare. Although the emphasis is on U.S. applications, relevant work from outside of the US will also be considered. Top priority will be given to papers that incorporate well-conceptualized empirical applications.

Abstract Submission Guidelines: Authors wishing to have a paper considered for the NAREA Workshop should submit an extended abstract by Friday, February 15, 2013. Abstracts may be submitted online at www.narea.org/2013/ or via email to bjr83@cornell.edu. Abstracts may be emailed at any time. The online submission portal is expected to be operational in January.

The abstract file (doc or pdf) should contain the following information:

Cover page with:

- title of paper;
- name, address, e-mail address and phone number of paper presenter or primary contact;
- name and institutional affiliation of paper presenter and co-author(s); and
- 4-6 key words.

Separate pages with:

- title of paper; and
- extended abstract (1000 words maximum; title and any references cited are in addition to this word limit).

Abstracts that do not comply with these guidelines will be returned without review. Electronic acknowledgements of submissions will be sent to all submitters. Abstracts will be reviewed by the NAREA Workshop Selected Papers Committee in terms of the significance to the field, strength of methodology/design, and clarity of writing. Authors will be notified of the status of their abstract by March 31, 2013.

Selected paper presentations will be 30 minutes. Full papers must be received from notified authors by May 15, 2013, to be included in the workshop's program. ARER must receive final papers by July 15, 2013, to be considered for expedited review in the special issue of ARER.

For More Information: Further information concerning workshop registration and the final program will be accessible at the NAREA website (<http://www.narea.org/2013/>). If you have questions about abstract submission, please contact a member of the NAREA Workshop committee:

- Brad Rickard (chair), Cornell University, bjr83@cornell.edu
- Todd Schmit, Cornell University, tms1@cornell.edu
- Miguel Gómez, Cornell University, mig7@cornell.edu
- Harry Kaiser, Cornell University, hmk2@cornell.edu
- Jill McCluskey Washington State University, mccluskey@wsu.edu
- Dana Bauer, Boston University, bauer@bu.edu

**Application for Membership:
Northeastern Agricultural & Resource Economics Association
For Year 2013**

PURPOSE: The purpose of NAREA is to stimulate and promote research on economic and social problems related to the production, marketing and consumption of agricultural products, natural resource use and community economic development, and the interrelation of the agricultural and rural economy with the rest of the economy.

ORGANIZATION: NAREA is organized as a group of professional agricultural economists and other persons interested in promoting the purposes of the Association.

AFFILIATION: NAREA is officially affiliated with the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, and its President shall serve as an ex officio member of the AAEA Board of Directors. NAREA shall not be affiliated with any other institution, organization or agency, either public or private.

Name _____

Mailing Address for ARER

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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e-mail _____ phone number: _____

Affiliation _____

Membership: _____ General (\$25/year or \$65 for 3 years) **[Due Jan. 1, 2013]**

_____ Student (\$10/year or \$20 for 3 years)

Signature _____ Date _____

Membership includes a subscription to the *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review* published three times a year. Make your check payable to "**Northeastern Agricultural & Resource Economics Association**" or **NAREA** and send form and payment to:

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Important Dates for NAREA Members

January 1, 2013	Renew Your NAREA Membership http://www.narea.org/membership/
January 4, 2012	Nomination Letter Deadline for Outstanding Public Service through Economics Award http://www.narea.org/awards/
February 1, 2013	Selected Papers and Symposia Abstract Submission Deadline http://www.narea.org/2013/
February 15, 2013	Workshop Paper Abstract Submission Deadline http://www.narea.org/2013/
April 30, 2013	Applications due for NAREA Career Advancement Mentoring Program http://www.narea.org/2013/conference/CAM%20Program-apply.asp
March 3, 2013	Nomination Package Deadline for the M.S. Thesis Award http://www.narea.org/awards/
March 4, 2013	Nomination Letter Deadline for the Distinguished and Honorary Lifetime Member Awards http://www.narea.org/awards/
March 31, 2013	Notification on Selected Paper Abstracts for the NAREA 2013 Annual Meeting and Workshop
April 27, 2013	NAREA Conference Scholarships Application Deadline http://www.narea.org/awards/
May 1, 2013	Registration Deadline for Presenters at the NAREA 2013 Annual Meeting and Workshop http://www.narea.org/2013/
May 15, 2013	Initial Paper Deadline for the NAREA 2013 Workshop
June 22-23, 2013	2013 NAREA Beverage Markets and Policy Workshop, Ithaca, NY http://www.narea.org/2013/
June 23-25, 2013	2013 NAREA Annual Meeting, Ithaca, NY http://www.narea.org/2013/
July 15, 2013	Final Paper Deadline for Submission of NAREA 2013 Workshop Papers to <i>Agricultural and Resource Economics Review</i>