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**President's Column**

Will Wheeler

Now that I finally have the pen, I would like to thank the NAREA membership for allowing me to serve as President. NAREA is a great organization and serving in various capacities has been a highlight for me personally and professionally. (Spoiler alert: there are service opportunities elsewhere in this newsletter!) I'd like to especially thank Josh Duke for his efforts, I owe him.

I have inherited an organization in excellent shape. We have completed one year with the Agricultural and Resource Economics Review (ARER) at Cambridge University Press thanks to the efforts of numerous officers, editors, and board members who I am reluctant to name individually because I will definitely be forgetting someone. I am ecstatic about the improved online presence of the journal at Cambridge. The Board is actively discussing a reapplication to SSCI for indexing and we think our association with Cambridge positions us very well for that. In addition, we have transitioned to an online membership system.

Before I became President, I knew that NAREA depended on volunteers but now I KNOW. NAREA is really a volunteer-run organization. Special thanks go to our editors: outgoing Managing Editor Neha Khanna, who stepped in to the editor rotation

with little notice, our incoming Managing Editor Todd Schmit, Dave Abler, and the newest member of our editorial team, Jill Caviglia-Harris.

I hope everyone enjoyed the Annual Meeting last June Bar Harbor, ME. The 2001 meeting in Bar Harbor is legendary for veteran NAREA members and I think we surpassed it this year. I hope I see everyone there in 2031 (if I did the math right). Thanks to Mario (the organizer of both the meeting and workshop), Barrett (selected papers chair), and all of the other organizers for an fantastic job.

We should all be prepping our abstracts for the 2015 meetings and workshop. Allison Borchers (USDA-ERS) is chair of the local organizing committee for this first-ever meeting in DC while President-Elect Sarah Jacobson (Williams) is in charge of what looks to be a great program. Sahan Dissanayake (Colby College) is leading the charge for the workshop on Climate Change and Land Conservation and Restoration: Advances in Economics Methods and Policies for Adaptation and Mitigation. The local organizers are also working to make sure that NAREA visitors have ample opportunity to experience the Nation's Capital.

I should also mention CAM, one of the coolest things that NAREA does. I have now been a CAM mentor twice and it is a very

rewarding experience. We will be bringing in a new CAM class at the DC meetings, and we always need mentors so more senior members of NAREA: please consider being a mentor and let me know if you have any questions about it.

Finally, I'd like to thank the Board for their service and their indulgence. I became a dad for the first time shortly after the Bar Harbor meetings, and I have really relied on the Board for assistance and patience. Thanks!

### **Call for Committee Volunteers (including Dues)**

One of the things I was not able to complete in the window of time between the meetings and fatherhood was completing committee assignments. Later in the newsletter, there is a list of committees, some with vacancies. NAREA relies on volunteers, so please let me know if you are willing and able to serve.

We are also standing up a new ad hoc committee on dues. NAREA dues are very low (\$25/year for professionals and \$10/year for students) and have not gone up in some time. Our costs, however, have, so we would like a committee to discuss options and report to the Board by the June meetings. Again, please let me know if you'd like to participate ([wheeler.william@epa.gov](mailto:wheeler.william@epa.gov)).

### **Follow NAREA on Social Media!**

NAREA is becoming active on social media! We have started a Twitter account (@NAREA\_economics), a LinkedIn group (<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8557174>) and a Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/NAREAeconomics/>). The purpose of these accounts is to promote the activities of the organization and its members. As new issues of the journal

come out, and as we approach deadlines for the Annual Meetings, we will be tweeting these news items out. As we hear good news about our members we will try to help promote that as well. Please follow us and suggest ways to improve our social media presence. Thanks to our social media chairs, Shana McDermott and Leah Palm-Forster.

### **Please Support the 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. The fund largely supports the CAM program. The Association currently has \$11,798.96 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](mailto:dr.doug@unh.edu)) or send contributions (made out to NAREA) to:

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

## **NAREA Career Advancement and Mentorship (CAM) program Call for Participants: Mentors and Mentees**

NAREA is currently seeking applications for mentees, and expressed interest by possible mentors, for the 2017-2018 Career Advancement and Mentorship (CAM) Program sponsored by the Northeastern Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA). The CAM program is a unique opportunity for pre-tenured faculty and early career scholars to develop and enhance professional networks, receive one-to-one mentoring from an experienced NAREA member within the environmental and agricultural economics community, and to attend a dinner and panel session on issues of concern to early career scholars.

We expect that up to 10 mentors and mentees will participate in the one-to-one 2017-2018 mentoring cohort. This matching will be made based on mentor and mentee preferences and interests that will be communicated through a short mentee application found at <http://www.narea.org/cam/>. Mentees interested in this year long program, which will include ongoing mentoring opportunities, need to apply by April 15, 2017. Colleagues interested in serving as a mentor should contact Jill Caviglia-Harris or anyone on the CAM committee directly. We will ask for a short biography (including name and contact information) if this is not already easily accessible on the web. For more information about the program please contact Jill Caviglia-Harris, [jlcaviglia-harris@salisbury.edu](mailto:jlcaviglia-harris@salisbury.edu).

## **2017 NAREA Annual Meeting** Allison Borchers and Sarah Jacobson

The Northeast Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA) will hold its 2017 Annual Meeting in Arlington, VA from Sunday, June 11 to Tuesday, June 13. The post-conference workshop on “Climate Change and Land Conservation: Advances in the Economics of Adaptation and Mitigation Policies” will be held after the Annual Meeting from Tuesday, June 13 to Wednesday, June 14.

The Annual Meeting will feature selected paper sessions, poster sessions, and discussion symposia. See below for the Call for Papers. The program will also include a welcome reception, a regular Keynote (by Nancy Lutz, NSF Economics Program Director), a policy panel Keynote, and an Awards Luncheon.

The 2017 Annual Meeting program will depart from programs in previous Annual Meetings in two ways. First, we will institutionalize the poster session started at the 2016 Annual Meeting. Second, this year’s Annual Meeting will replace what had been referred to as “symposia” (though submitters will be allowed to declare a set of papers to be an “organized session”) with a new category called “discussion symposia.” Discussion symposia will allow for a more fluid and multilateral format for engagement with works in progress or “hot topics” in the field. A symposium may include prepared questions for two or more panelists, a debate, a roundtable, or another format.

The deadline for selected paper and discussion symposia proposals has been set for February 10, 2017. Submission of selected paper proposals, information on organized sessions, and proposals for

discussion symposia will be handled with Google Forms.

Another departure from recent years is that instead of having two keynote addresses by individuals, we are choosing to take advantage of the wealth of policy experience in the Washington area by convening a panel of policy experts in place of one of the keynotes.

The annual meeting registration fee is \$330 for members and \$140 for member students prior to May 1, 2017; after this date the registration fee is \$365 for members \$175 for member students. All non-members of NAREA will pay a membership fee (\$25 for professionals, \$10 for students) when registering. The registration fee includes the Sunday evening reception, continental breakfasts on Monday and Tuesday, and ticket to Monday's Awards Luncheon.

The registration fee for the workshop is \$190 for members and \$140 for member students prior to May 1, 2017; after this date the registration fee is \$225 for members and \$175 for member students. The registration fee includes the two luncheons and one breakfast.

The Local Arrangements Chair for the 2017 NAREA Annual Meeting is Allison Borchers (US Forest Service). The Program Chair is President-Elect Sarah Jacobson (Williams College). The 2017 NAREA Workshop Chair is Sahan Dissanayake (Colby College), who also manages the conference and workshop websites.

The chair of the Selected Papers and Symposia committee is Christine Crago. The committee's other members are Kathleen Liang (NCSSU), Brian Schilling (Rutgers), Donna Ramirez-Harrington (UVM), Tammy

Murphy (NOAA), Caroline Noblet (U Maine), and John Spraggon (U Mass)

## **2017 NAREA Workshop on The Impacts of Climate Change on Land Conservation and Restoration: Economic Policy Advances in Adaptation and Mitigation**

Sahan Dissanayake

NAREA is excited to host the 2017 Workshop on "*The Impacts of Climate Change on Land Conservation and Restoration: Economic Policy Advances in Adaptation and Mitigation*" at the Key Bridge Marriott in Arlington, VA immediately after the NAREA Annual Meeting; the workshop will take place on June 13-14. The workshop will bring together experts and researchers analyzing climate adaptation and mitigation policies related to public and private land conservation and restoration. The workshop will focus on (1) the impact of climate change on ecosystem services generated from domestic (federal, state and private) and international land conservation and restoration, (2) the effectiveness and efficiency of mitigating climate change through forest conservation, (3) adaptive land conservation and restoration methods that account for climate change and the uncertainty inherent in climate projections, and (4) create networking opportunities by bringing together researchers and practitioners working on land conservation/restoration and climate change.

The Workshop may be attended alone or in combination with the NAREA Annual Meeting. The workshop will include addresses from recognized experts in the

field, selected paper presentations chosen on the basis of submitted abstracts, and in-depth working sessions. Confirmed speakers include economists Amy Ando and Stephen Polasky and climate and ecosystem modeling experts Lee Hannah (Bren-UCSB and Conservation International) and Radley Horton (Columbia and NASA), 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 in August 2018 from workshop papers accepted after an expedited peer-review process.

Authors wishing to have a paper considered for the NAREA Workshop must submit an extended abstract by February 10, 2017. Please consult the Call of Papers below.

### ***Agricultural and Resource Economics Review (ARER) Editors' Report***

Todd Schmit (Managing Editor), Dave Abler, and Jill Caviglia-Harris (Editors)

ARER welcomed Jill Caviglia-Harris (Salisbury University) as the new editor, replacing Neha Khanna (Binghamton University), on July 1, 2017. Neha led the team through our transition to Cambridge University Press (CUP) as our new publisher and took on extra duties during her term to help with the workload when a previous editor had to resign due to personal/family health issues. We thank Neha for her dedication to ARER and for voluntarily stepping up the plate.

Todd took over as Managing Editor on July 1, 2016; his term will expire on June 30, 2017, with Dave Abler following him as the next Managing Editor July 1, 2017. **The**

**NAREA Board of Directors is currently seeking applications for the next editor (of our 3-editor team) who will begin July 1, 2017, after Todd completes his term.** Please contact Will Wheeler ([wheeler.william@epa.gov](mailto:wheeler.william@epa.gov)) and Todd Schmit ([tms1@cornell.edu](mailto:tms1@cornell.edu)) if you are interested.

A total of 64 submissions were received in 2015, all reaching a terminal decision as of the date of this report; 22 were accepted (34%), 40 rejected (63%), and 2 withdrawn (3%). The rejection rate is comparable to recent history, if not a bit higher.

As of October 25, 2016, we have received a total of 71 submissions, already surpassing the total for 2015. Of those that have reached a terminal decision (40), 7 have been accepted (18%) and 33 have been rejected (82%). We currently have 23 manuscripts pending (out for review) and 8 manuscripts out for revision (with authors). Of the pending submissions, 12 are papers from the 2016 NAREA Workshop (dedicated to the August 2017 issue). Currently, 5 papers are being handled by Todd, 9 by Dave, 6 by Jill, and 11 by Mario.

Mario Teisl (University of Maine) is serving as the guest editor for the 2017 Special Issue (August). Currently, 12 papers have been submitted, one additional full paper and a research note are forthcoming shortly for consideration. It is not expected that all papers will survive the review process, but there should be sufficient volume to fill the August issue. Thanks to Mario for leading this process.

The April 2016 issue was the inaugural issue published with CUP, and came out on time! Given the transition and movement of accepted papers in EE to CUP, this was no

small feat! Thanks to all of the editors working together to make this happen, as well as the folks at CUP for working with us so well in the transition and revising operating procedures on the fly so as to make things work well on both ends.

The August 2016 article, our special issue based on the 2015 workshop, was also published (8 articles plus a forward). Thanks to Neha Khanna (then Managing Editor), and Emi Uchida and Todd Guilfoos (special issue editors) for pulling together a great issue for the journal.

The December 2016 issue is full (8 articles) and slated to be released on time. Note, as articles complete the copy editing and typesetting stages (but before they are finalized in a journal issue), they are released on “FirstView” on ARER’s webpage with CUP.

We are looking good for 2017. We have 10 papers currently in our accepted queue, which will fill up April 2017, and then some. August 2017 is looking good with the workshop papers. Accordingly, papers accepted now are being targeted for December 2017 (Accepted submissions for this issue are due to CUP by August 21st).

The terms of all but one Editorial Board members currently listed on the ARER website will end on June 30, 2017. We are looking to expand the Editorial Board and to particularly expand the international presence. If you have any suggestions for Editorial Board members, please let the editors know asap. Some current members we will ask for renewal, but additional and replacement members will be necessary. We expect to get the invitations out before the year-end.

## **2016 NAREA Award for Outstanding Public Service through Economics**

The 2016 Award for Outstanding Public Service through Economics was awarded to **David Just**, Professor and Director of Graduate Studies in the Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management at Cornell University. In addition, he serves as co-director of the Cornell Center for Behavioral Economics in Child Nutrition Programs. Professor Just is applied economist whose recent research focus has been on how the food choices of food program participants could be influenced using behavioral tools. Here are excerpts from the nomination letter:

Professor Just has led a movement that has introduced practical changes in schools that have succeeded in nudging children to select apples rather than cookies while still providing a full array of choice (SmarterLunchroomMovement.org). The Center has already influenced over 20,000 schools to make changes in lunch programs. This Smarter Lunchroom Movement has received substantial press due to the quality, timeliness, and impact of this work.

Professor Just is a prolific researcher as evidenced by more than 100 published articles with many appearing in top journals among several different disciplines. His work has won numerous research awards from the leading academic associations in the field of applied economics including Quality of Research Discovery. In the last five years Professor Just has won more outstanding research awards from the AAEA than any other individual in the world, and is tied for the most research awards from the EAAE.

In addition to professional recognition, this work has also attracted significant grant money. In support of this program of work, Professor Just has been awarded more than \$10 million dollars. The centerpiece of this work has been the establishment of the Cornell Center for Behavioral Economics in Child Nutrition Programs (BEN), established through a grant from USDA in 2010, for which Professor Just serves as PI. Its mission is to create research-based, “smarter” lunchrooms that subtly guide children toward healthy choices within the NSLP.

Professor Just’s research program focusing on food decisions demonstrates how effective applied research can have an impact both within and without the halls of academia.

## **2016 NAREA Awards**

### ***ARER* Article of the Year**

Douglas Wrenn, Timothy Kelsey and Edward Jaenicke. " Resident vs Non-resident Employment Impacts Associated with Marcellus Shale Development" *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review* 44(2): 1-19.

### **NAREA Outstanding M.S. Thesis Award**

Elizabeth Hunter, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

“Motivating Household Energy Conservation Using Feedback and Social Nudges: A Field Experiment”

Advisor: Christine Crago, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

### ***ARER* Young Scholar Award**

Ashley Vissing, Duke University

Ashley Vissing "Private Contracts as Regulation: A Study of Private Lease Negotiations Using the Texas Natural Gas Industry" *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review* 44(2):120-137

### ***ARER* Advisor Award**

Chris Timmins, Duke University

### **NAREA Distinguished Member Award**

Ted Jaenicke, Penn State University

Kent Messer, University of Delaware

### **NAREA Honorary Life Members:**

Stephen Reiling, University of Maine

### **2016 NAREA Conference Scholarship Recipients**

Mohammad Ali, University of New Mexico  
Kofi Britwum, University of Nebraska  
Bentley Clinton, University of Colorado  
Naima Farah, University of Calgary  
Abdul Kidwai, University of Massachusetts  
Kevin Meyer, University of Iowa  
Clayton Michaud, University of Rhode Island  
Yuan Niu, University of Connecticut  
Nataliya Plesha, University of Connecticut  
Renata Rimsaite, Penn State University  
Ben Scharadin, Penn State University  
Yau-Huo Shr, Penn State University  
Chuan Tang, Clarkson University  
Christina Thomas, Colby College  
Samantha Werner, University of New Hampshire

## 2016 Best Poster

“Community-Managed Forests and Household Welfare: Empirical Evidence from Nepal” Jayash Paudel (University of Massachusetts Amherst)

## 2016 Meeting and Workshop Report

Mario Teisl and Will Wheeler

A total of 118 people registered for the meetings and/or workshop; specifically 70 registered for the meetings only, 37 registered for the meetings and workshop and 7 registered for the workshop only.

A total of 4 invited papers (2 during the meetings and 2 during the workshop) were presented. In addition, the meetings had 64 paper presentations and six poster presentations; and the workshop had 16 paper presentations. We received a near-record number of submissions (125) to the meetings in Bar Harbor this year and worked to expand the number of paper that we could accept, although we also had an unusually high attrition rate. To that end, in addition to our normal complement of paper sessions, we held a poster session during the morning and afternoon breaks on Monday. Thanks to all who submitted.

Many, many thanks are due to the Selected Paper Committee for handling the unexpectedly large number of submissions quickly and efficiently: Barrett Kirwan (Chair), Kathleen Liang, Christine Crago,

Brian Schilling, Alessandro Bonanno, Dennis Guignet, and Sarah Cline

## Webmaster Report

Sahan Dissanayake

A variety of general website updates were made during the post 2016 annual meeting period.

About 1/3 of the visitors to the NAREA website are international. NAREA has a global footprint.

Information for the 2016 annual meeting, workshop, and paper submissions is now on the website and is accessible at <http://www.narea.org/2017/>.

NAREA Website Visitor for June 1-Sept 30, Statistics 2015/2016

	Total Sessions	Total Pageviews	Total Visitors	New Visitors
2016	2,939	5616	2080	65%
2015	6,082	11,886	4,420	68%
2014 <sup>1</sup>	2,943	6,555	3,089	71.20%

### Summary Stats for the NAREA Webpage

For 2016 figures the journal is now a publisher website, 8.5% of pageviews to journal page (28% in 2015)

### Sub-site Stats

The 2016 Conference and Workshop sub-site received 41% of the pageviews

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<sup>1</sup> For June 1-September 20, 2014. The annual meeting in 2014 was June 1-3, in 2015 June 27-30.

## Geographical Stats

2016 US visitors 68% (Top 10: ME, MA, NE, DC, PA, MD, MI, CA, CT, TX)

2015 US visitors 55% (Top 10: NY, RI, MA, DC, PA, CT, CA, MD, ME, VI)

2014 US visitors 65%<sup>1</sup> (Top 10: NY, PA, WV, DC, MA, MD, CA, TX, FL, RI)

2016 International visitors 32% (Top 15: UK, India, China, Canada, Brazil, South Korea, Ukraine, Italy, Germany, Russia, Japan, Australia, Nigeria, France, Iraq, )

2015 International visitors 45% (Top 15: Canada, India, China, Ukraine, Germany, Brazil, Japan, UK, South Korea, Italy, Australia, Netherlands, France, Russia, Taiwan)

2014 International visitors 35%<sup>1</sup> (Top 15: India, Brazil, Australia, Canada, Belgium, Japan, Germany, China, France, UK, Iran, Pakistan, Spain, Italy, Netherlands)

## Nominations for 2017 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 NAREA 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.

A NAREA member in good standing must nominate candidates for both awards. The nomination letter should specify why the member is deserving of the award. Additional information can be found at the NAREA website under “Awards”.

The deadline for nominations is **March 1, 2017**. Please send nominations to: Jacqueline Geoghegan (jgeoghegan@clarku.edu)

## Nominations for 2017 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 *ARER* 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 *ARER* 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 1, 2017**.

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, 2016, to December 31, 2016.

(2) The thesis topic must address an issue within the purview of NAREA. The committee will consider a maximum of two theses per department. The committee will consider only those theses nominated by the department chair or graduate program director. 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 Emily Yang (emilywang@resecon.umass.edu).of the M.S. Thesis Awards Committee by March 1, 2017.

## **Graduate Student Conference Scholarships**

NAREA Conference Scholarships are offered to encourage undergraduate and graduate students to attend the annual NAREA meetings. Each scholarship covers the student annual meeting registration fee, to defray some costs 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 must complete the application at <https://goo.gl/forms/oX193cCrxsVJ5uDD3>

Deadline: April 14, 2017.

Questions about these scholarships can be sent via email to President-Elect Sarah Jacobson (sarah.a.jacobson@williams.edu).

## **Future Meetings**

2017 Washington, DC  
2018 Pennsylvania  
2019 New Hampshire  
2020 Nova Scotia  
2021 Maryland  
2022 Connecticut  
2023 Delaware

## **2016-2017 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**

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Donna Ramirez – Harrington (2017)  
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Department of Interior

Gal Hochman (2019)  
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### **Editors, ARER**

Todd Schmit (Managing Editor, 2017)  
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David Abler (2018)  
Pennsylvania State University

Jill Caviglia-Harris (2019)  
Salisbury State University

### **Webmaster**

Sahan Dissanayake  
Colby College

### **Historian**

Doug Morris  
University of New Hampshire

### **Distinguished and Honorary Life Member Awards**

Jacqueline Geoghegan, (2017)  
Clark University

Daniel Lass (2018)  
University of Massachusetts

*Volunteer needed*

### **Award for Outstanding Public Service through Economics Committee**

Harry Kaiser (2017)  
Cornell University

Rachel Bouvier (2017)

Charles Towe (2018)  
University of Connecticut

Jens Schubert (2018)  
Virginia Commonwealth University

*Two volunteers needed*

### **Master's Thesis Award Committee**

Emily Wang (2017)  
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Cornell University

Siwa Msangi (2018)  
International Food Policy Research Institute

Bentley Clinton (2019)  
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Harvard University

*Volunteer needed*

### **2017 Annual Meeting Program Committee**

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University of New Hampshire

Allison Borchers  
Local Arrangements Representative  
U.S. Forest Service

### **2017 Annual Meeting Local Arrangements Committee**

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## **2018 Meeting and Workshop**

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Stephan Goetz  
Penn State University

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Tammy Murphy (2018)  
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Caroline Noblet (2018)  
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Donna Ramirez-Harrington (2018)  
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John Spraggon (2018)  
University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Ex-Officio  
Sarah Jacobson  
Williams College

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Theodore Howard  
University of New Hampshire

John Halstead  
University of New Hampshire

Alberto Manalo  
University of New Hampshire

Kelly Cullen  
University of New Hampshire

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Charles Abdalla (2018)  
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Douglas E. Morris (ex-officio)  
Secretary-Treasurer  
University of New Hampshire

*Volunteer needed*

## **Nominating Committee**

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Clarkson University

William Wheeler (2018)  
President  
U.S. EPA

Sarah Jacobson (2019)  
President-Elect  
Williams College

**Call for Papers and Symposia**  
**NAREA 2017 Annual Meeting**  
**Washington, DC**  
**June 11 – 13, 2017**

Submission Deadline: February 10, 2017

**Annual Meeting:** Selected paper sessions, organized sessions, and a poster session allow scholars to share their current research. We are also experimenting this year with discussion symposia. We welcome submissions in all areas of environmental, natural resource, and agricultural economics.

For information on submission of papers for the Workshop on “Climate Change and Land Conservation: Advances in the Economics of Adaptation and Mitigation Policies,” please refer to the Workshop website: <http://www.narea.org/2017/workshop/about.asp>.

**Selected Paper Proposals:** Selected paper submissions should include: (i) the title of paper; (ii) names and institutional affiliations of the author and co-authors; (iii) name and e-mail address of paper presenter; (iv) an abstract of no more than 500 words; and (v) 2-4 keywords. The Selected Papers Committee will review abstracts in terms of significance to the field, strength of methodology/design, clarity of writing, and fit within conference topics. Some abstracts may be invited to present as a poster in a poster session instead of in a paper session. If an author submits more than one abstract, he or she may be limited to one presentation. Selected paper proposals should be submitted through NAREA's submission system at <http://www.narea.org/2017/>.

If you would like to submit an **organized session**, please have each author submit his or her abstract as above. The organizer must also (by the submission deadline) submit through the “organized session” form: a list of all titles that belong in the session, a title for the session, and a brief (a sentence or two) explanation of the topical relationship among the papers in the session and why the session topic would be of interest to meeting attendees. The organized session may be accepted in whole, in part (and the accepted papers assigned to other sessions), or may be rejected.

**Discussion Symposium Proposals:** New this year! A discussion symposium allows a more fluid and multilateral format for engagement with works in progress or “hot topics” in the field. A symposium may include prepared questions for two or more panelists, a debate, a roundtable, or another format. Regardless, half of the time (out of a session of 85 or 90 minutes) should be allocated for discussion with or questions from the audience. To propose a discussion symposium, submit through the “discussion symposium” form: names of the participants, the title of the symposium, and a paragraph describing what you would do in the symposium and why it would be of interest to meeting attendees.

**Submission Deadline: February 10, 2017.** Electronic acknowledgement will be sent to all submitters. We expect to notify the authors by March 31, 2017 for all types of submissions. If accepted, all presenters must be NAREA members and registered for the Annual Meeting by May 1, 2017. Submission questions can be directed to the Program Chair, President-Elect Sarah Jacobson (Sarah.A.Jacobson@williams.edu). Local arrangements questions can be directed to local arrangements chair Allison Borchers (nareaconference2017@gmail.com).

**Call for Workshop Papers - 2017 NAREA Workshop on *Climate Change and Land Conservation and Restoration: Advances in Economics Methods and Policies for Adaptation and Mitigation***

**Workshop Dates: June 13-14, 2017, Washington, D.C.**

**Abstract Submission Deadline: February 10, 2017**

The Northeast Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA) will hold a two-day post conference workshop on "*Climate Change and Land Conservation and Restoration: Advances in Economics Methods and Policies for Adaptation and Mitigation*". The workshop will bring together experts and researchers analyzing climate adaptation and mitigation policies related to public and private land conservation and restoration. The workshop will focus on (1) the impact of climate change on ecosystem services generated from domestic (federal, state and private) and international land conservation and restoration, (2) the effectiveness and efficiency of mitigating climate change through forest conservation, (3) adaptive land conservation and restoration methods that account for climate change and the uncertainty inherent in climate projections, and (4) Create networking opportunities by bringing together researchers and practitioners working on land conservation/restoration and climate change.

The workshop will include addresses from recognized experts in the field including economists Amy Ando and Stephen Polasky and climate and ecosystem modeling experts Lee Hannah (Bren-UCSB and Conservation International) and Radley Horton (Columbia and NASA), 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 in August 2018 from workshop papers accepted after an expedited version of the journal's peer-review process.

The Workshop will be held after the NAREA Annual Meeting from noon on Tuesday, June 13 until the afternoon of Wednesday, June 14. Workshop events will take place at the Key Bridge Marriott in Arlington, VA, just across a pedestrian friendly bridge from the Georgetown neighborhood of Washington, DC. We encourage participation from academic, public, and private sector agricultural, environmental, and resource economists; and welcome professionals, faculty, and graduate students.

The Workshop will cover the publication charges and, depending on the availability of funding, may also provide an honorarium to the presenting author (up to a maximum of 12 papers) upon successful completion of their submission of their paper to ARER. The Workshop is supported from multiple of sources including the USDA-ERS.

More information about the theme of Workshop and submissions instructions are available on the Workshop website, <http://narea.org/2017/workshop/>. Abstract deadline is February 10, 2017.

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## Important Dates for NAREA Members

January, 2017	Renew Your NAREA Membership <a href="http://www.narea.org/membership/">http://www.narea.org/membership/</a>
February 10, 2017	Selected Papers and Symposia Abstract Submission Deadline Workshop Paper Abstract Submission Deadline  <a href="http://www.narea.org/2017/">http://www.narea.org/2017/</a>
March 1, 2017	Nomination Package Deadline for the M.S. Thesis Award Nomination Letter Deadline for the Distinguished and Honorary Lifetime Member Awards  <a href="http://www.narea.org/awards/">http://www.narea.org/awards/</a>
March 31, 2017	Notification on Selected Paper Abstracts for the NAREA 2017 Annual Meeting and Workshop
April 14, 2017	NAREA Conference Scholarships Application Deadline <a href="http://www.narea.org/awards/">http://www.narea.org/awards/</a>
May 1, 2017	Registration Deadline for Presenters at the NAREA 2017 Annual Meeting and Workshop <a href="http://www.narea.org/2017/">http://www.narea.org/2017/</a>
May 9, 2017	Deadline for NAREA Block Rates at the Bar Harbor Regency Hotel
May 16, 2017	Initial Paper Deadline for the NAREA 2017 Workshop
June 11-13, 2017	2017 NAREA Annual Meeting, Washington, DC <a href="http://www.narea.org/2017/">http://www.narea.org/2017/</a>
June 13-14, 2017	2017 NAREA Workshop <i>Climate Change and Land Conservation and Restoration: Advances in Economics Methods and Policies for Adaptation and Mitigation</i> , Washington, DC <a href="http://www.narea.org/2017/">http://www.narea.org/2017/</a>
July 31, 2017	Final Paper Deadline for Submission of NAREA 2017 Workshop Papers to <i>Agricultural and Resource Economics Review</i>
September 1, 2017	Nomination Letter Deadline for Outstanding Public Service through Economics Award <a href="http://www.narea.org/awards/">http://www.narea.org/awards/</a>