

# CALIFORNIA WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY NEWS

*To promote the research, education and regulatory aspects of weed science*

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Please join us for the 2016 Annual Conference  
of the California Weed Science Society  
*“Addressing Diverse and Dynamic Challenges in  
Weed Management”*

January 13-15, 2016  
**HYATT REGENCY SACRAMENTO**  
1209 L Street, Sacramento, CA 94814

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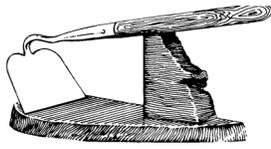
## **A Message from CWSS President John Roncoroni**

Drought, resistance and regulation are just a few of the issues to be covered at the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual California Weed Science Society Conference. Our 2016 theme is 'Addressing Diverse and Dynamic Challenges in Weed Management.' As the CWSS president, it is my pleasure to invite you to next year's conference being held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Sacramento, January 13-15, 2016.

What better place for us to meet than “America's Farm to Fork Capital?” Most, or even all, of us have been to Sacramento. But have you ever taken the time to really explore and enjoy California's capitol city? Some of the best museums in the state are located there, and the California State Railroad Museum is often labeled as the best railroad museum in North America. Take a tour of the California State Capitol and enjoy a walk through the gorgeous Capitol Park right across the street from our hotel. The 28-acre Old Sacramento State Historic Park with its Gold Rush-era buildings is a short walk away. If wine is your pleasure there are several wineries a short drive south to the Delta or east to the Sierra Foothills. The conference ends Friday at noon so plan time to explore and enjoy the Sacramento region.

The program committee and chair, Katherine Walker, have put together a great agenda. I just want to highlight Wednesday, the first day of the conference, starting with an in-depth look at what happens when herbicide don't go where intended. Dr. Kassim Al Khatib, one of the foremost experts in the field of herbicide symptomology, will be leading the Weed School. Immediately after the weed school we will hear the future of weed science during the student oral presentations giving us an opportunity to see the leaders of tomorrow - today. Taking advantage of our location to invite policy-makers, we are pleased to have both California Secretary of Agriculture, Karen Ross, and Director of the California Department of Pesticide Regulation, Brian Leahy, addressing us in the General Session. End your day and start you evening at the CWSS member reception.

Again, I invite you to attend and look forward to seeing you January 13-15 at the 2016 Annual California Weed Science Society Conference in Sacramento - “California begins here.”



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If not **SOLD OUT!**

## Report from the CWSS Program Chair Katherine Walker

I hope you plan to attend the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the California Weed Science Society. We will be meeting January 13-15 at the Hyatt Regency in our Farm to Fork Capital, Sacramento. The conference will kick off on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> with the 'Weed School'. The Weed School is an in-depth course on a single subject. In keeping with this year's theme of '**Addressing Diverse and Dynamic Challenges in Weed Management**' we will concentrate on herbicide injury. By focusing the Weed School on herbicide injury we hope you will gain a greater knowledge of herbicidal crop injury mechanisms and routes of exposure, as well as, using plant symptoms as a tool to investigate herbicide injury. Following Weed School are the student presentations. Come and hear what the future university and industry leaders are doing, both in the lab and field. Along with the oral presentations we encourage you to make time to see the student posters on display during the conference.

The General Session this year will feature an address from Karen Ross, California Secretary of Agriculture discussing perspectives of California agriculture. We will also feature talks from Brian Leahy, the Director of California Department of Regulation and Steven Moore from the State Water Resources Control Board to discuss topics in pest management and California water issues. Last, but not least, is the very popular 'What's New Session', a fast paced look at new products and label updates available on the horizon for weed management. At the end of the day, the evening begins with the CWSS Member Reception providing everyone a chance to relax and mingle.

Thursday is a busy day reserved for the concurrent breakout sessions that offer presentations tailored to specific areas of weed control. From agronomy to vegetable crops, and everything in between, these presentations will assist you in making the best weed management decisions. New this year is a session dedicated to Weed Management in Rice that will cover various subjects including, new herbicides, challenges of product registration, and managing resistant weeds. Continuing a long-time tradition the closing session on Friday morning will be filled with presentations on laws and regulations. This session will provide the latest information on current regulatory topics and feature the very popular Laws and Regulations Jeopardy!

On behalf of the program committee I encourage you to register and make you hotel reservations early. See you in Sacramento!

## Sponsors, Exhibitors and Research Posters

Greetings! We are a few months away from our CWSS annual meeting in Sacramento, and exhibitor signups and sponsorship commitments are underway! I'd like to let everyone know that we'll likely have room for 30-35 exhibitors at this venue, and as always, it is "first come, first served". Again this year, we have 10 high-visibility spots for 8' booths in the foyer, which are now sold out. If you wish to elevate your visibility at this conference, there is no better way than through exhibiting or sponsorship during the CWSS annual meeting. If you have a commercial poster you wish to display at the conference or have any questions about reserving your spot, please call or email at your convenience. Josie Hugie, CWSS Director of Sponsors and Exhibitors, 916-216-8744 or [jhugie@wilburellis.com](mailto:jhugie@wilburellis.com).

## What's New in Weed Control

The popular What's New in Weed Control Session will follow the General Session on Wednesday afternoon from 4:00-5:00 p.m. This session is designed to give conference exhibitors and sponsors a chance to introduce their company and representatives to all conference participants. Anything new and of interest to conference attendees such as label updates, new registrations, new products including equipment, crop protection materials, new technology, new publications, etc., would be welcomed. If you would like to reserve a time slot for presentation, please contact the session chair Kristina Short at 530-520-8377 or [kshort@westbridge.com](mailto:kshort@westbridge.com). Please keep in mind that this session does fill up rapidly, so reserve your spot soon!

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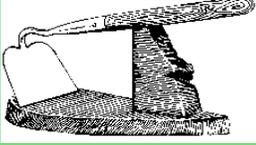
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# 2016 CWSS Conference Student Paper and Poster Contest

All weed science graduate/undergraduate students presently enrolled in college are encouraged to enter one paper and/or one poster in the student contest at the



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**BE Professional!** This is an excellent opportunity for students to present research, improve their presentation skills, and network with professionals working in weed science. Papers or posters should consist of information gathered from research projects related to weed science and vegetation management. Students do not have to present results of their own research, but they must be familiar with all aspects of the research. Student papers and posters should be scientific in nature and should not be sales or marketing tools.

**FREE Conference Registration!** All students entered in the contest are eligible to attend the CWSS Annual Conference for free! Students can register for the conference online at <http://www.cwss.org/conference>

**Student LUNCH!** Students attending the conference are invited to meet weed science professionals and board members at the student luncheon.

**TRAVEL Assistance!** Students competing in the paper and poster contest will be eligible for up to \$500 travel assistance per student. Eligible students must present a paper or poster.

Funding support can be used to pay for hotel, food, airfare, and/or mileage.

(Contact Scott Oneto [sroneto@ucdavis.edu](mailto:sroneto@ucdavis.edu) (209) 223-6834 for more information and reimbursement forms.)

**PRIZES!** Papers and posters will be judged separately and the three best students in each category will be awarded as follows:

**1<sup>st</sup> place: \$500, 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$300, 3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$200**

**GET Published! Paper and poster participants must submit an abstract for the proceedings.**

(All student abstracts will be published by CWSS. Additionally you can submit Proceedings, following the editorial guidelines available on the CWSS website.)

## Titles and Abstracts are due November 20, 2015.

Participants in the paper contest will present on Wednesday, January 13th. Students will be notified about the presentation time in late December. Posters should be 4 ft by 3 ft, and boards will be provided. Students must be present at their posters during student poster session (Wednesday, January 13th, 10:00-10:30) to answer questions from judges and conference attendees.

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