

2010 Student Paper Winners

(Awarded by Rob Wilson, CWSS Director-Student and Commercial Liaison)



Jeremiah Mann—1st place \$500
University of California, Davis



Marcelo Moretti—2nd place \$300
Cal State University, Fresno



Christine Rainbolt—3rd place \$200
Cal State University, Fresno

2010 Student Poster Winners

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Lorin Zozaya—1st place \$500

Cal State University, Fresno



Fernando Baesso—2nd place \$300

Cal State University, Fresno



Katie Wilson—3rd place \$200

Cal State University, Fresno

2010 Student Scholarship Winners

Undergraduate Scholarship Awards

- 1st place - \$2000 award Brad Redelfs (Cal State University, Fresno)
bredelfs@yahoo.com
- 2nd place - \$1000 award Evan Longstreth (Cal State University, Fresno)
elongstreth@csufresno.edu

Graduate Scholarship Awards

- 1st place - \$2000 award Kristen Weathers (University of California, Riverside)
kristinweathers@mac.com
- 2nd place - \$1000 award Lindsay Clark (University of California, Davis)
lvclark@ucdavis.edu
- 3rd place tie - \$500 award Kai Palenscar (University of California, Riverside)
Kai.palenscar@email.ucr.edu
- 3rd place tie - \$500 award Marcelo Moretti
mlmoretti@csufresno.edu

Internship Award

- \$3000 award Claire D. Uke (Cal Poly, Pomona)
Claire.uke@gmail.com
- Internship Advisor: Carl Bell, UCCE, San Diego County

Kristen Weathers – Graduate Student Biography



I am currently pursuing a Ph.D in plant ecology in the Department of Botany and Plant Sciences at UC Riverside. I am co-advised by Milt McGiffen and Edie Allen. My dissertation investigates the role of invasive *Erodium* species and their impacts on the restoration of coastal sage scrub communities. Additionally, I am investigating chemical and non-chemical methods to control *Erodium* during the restoration process.

I hope to pursue a career with Cooperative Extension, USDA, or USGS researching and disseminating information on methods of invasive species control and natural resources restoration and management.

Lindsay Clark – Graduate Student Biography



I am working on my Ph.D. in Genetics at UC Davis as a member of Marie Jasieniuk's lab. In my dissertation project I am using genetic tools to better understand invasiveness in *Rubus*, in particular the Himalayan blackberry invasion on the West Coast. Specific topics of my project include clonal diversity and origins of Himalayan blackberry, spontaneous hybridization with native species, sexual reproduction vs. apomixis, and gene expression patterns diagnostic of invasiveness. I plan to pursue a career of teaching and research at an undergraduate-focused institution, where I can train students in the application of ecological genetics to invasive species management.

Kai Palenscar – Graduate Student Biography



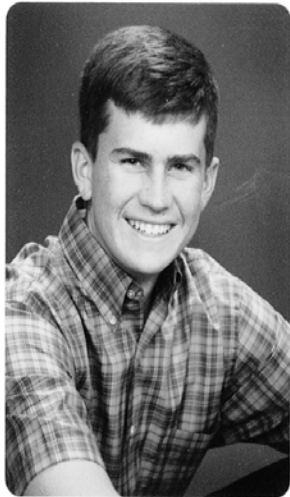
I am a third year Ph.D. graduate student at the University of California, Riverside within the Department of Botany and Plant Sciences (BPSC). My adviser is Dr. Jodie S. Holt, professor and chair of BPSC. The invasive plant giant reed (*Arundo donax*) is an aggressive rhizomatous, hydrophyte found in the riparian plant community of southern California and across the United States. My dissertation work seeks to utilize native vegetation to culturally control giant reed reestablishment within areas where it has been previously controlled. If it can be found that certain species inhibit the regrowth and establishment of giant reed land managers can use this information in restoration activities whereby minimizing pesticide application. My future career goals include wildlands management or related field involving conservation and invasive species management.

Marcelo Moretti – Graduate Student Biography



I am a master student at CSU Fresno State working with Dr. Anil Shrestha. My thesis work is the screening of paraquat and glyphosate resistance in hairy fleabane populations from San Joaquin Valley, and short term alternate chemical control of such biotypes. Also, I have participated in additional studies mapping the distribution of glyphosate resistant hairy fleabane in the valley, and weed management in organic orchards and vineyards. When graduated my plans are to work with research and extension related positions to gain experience before starting a PhD program. My long term career goals are to continue working mainly with herbicide resistance management, as well as other areas of weed science.

Evan Longstreth – Undergraduate Student Biography



I am attending Fresno State, with a major in Plant Science and minor in Ag Business, under advisor Anil Shrestha. After graduation, I would like to get my PCA license and return to Escalon to help take over my dad's farming business with my brother. During that time I hope to start buying my own land and invest more into research and technology that will help farming in the future.

Claire Uke – Undergraduate Internship Biography



Claire Uke is a Plant Science student attending California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. After receiving her master's degree, Claire will be focusing her career in the fields of Arboriculture and Invasive Species Management. In her off-time she involves herself in the Los Rancheros Agronomy Club at Cal Poly Pomona.

In the Summer of 2010, she will be working with Carl Bell in San Diego, California.