



## **DON DAHLSTEN MEMORIAL FUND INVITATION AND ANNOUNCEMENT TO STUDENTS**

The California Forest Pest Council is inviting students to attend its Annual Meeting November 17-18, 2009, at the Heidrick Agricultural Heritage Center, Woodland, CA

To encourage participation, the Council is providing travel grants of up to \$200 per student to attend the meeting to display a poster or to present a talk.

- ❖ The poster should describe a project or research for which the student is a primary participant.
- ❖ Posters should be constructed so they can be attached directly to a wall and should be available for both days of the meeting. Poster size can vary but should not exceed 4' x 6'.
- ❖ The project should broadly relate to some aspect of forest health, such as forest insects and disease, animal damage, competing vegetation, abiotic effects such as pollution and climate, etc.
- ❖ Students who present a talk during the Insect or Disease Committee Meetings on November 17 or during the Symposium on November 18 may also apply for a grant. Talks are 15-20 minutes duration.
- ❖ The purpose of the grant is to compensate for travel and lodging costs incurred to attend the meeting. \$100 will be awarded for one night's lodging and \$200 for two nights' lodging. A lodging receipt will be required to receive the award.
- ❖ Students not needing or wishing to apply for a travel grant are also encouraged to attend the meeting. All students who present a poster or talk are provided free registration to the meeting. Otherwise, student registration is offered at the reduced rate of \$25.

The deadline for applying for a travel grant and/or registration fee waiver is September 30 for posters and August 3, 2009 for talks. Applications based on a talk will be forwarded to the Program Committee and must be accepted by the Committee in order to qualify for a grant. A limited amount of funding is available, so it may not be possible to award grants to all applicants.

To apply for a grant, forward the following:

- Title and brief abstract of the presentation; indicate if poster or talk
- Your name and contact information
- The name and contact information of a faculty sponsor, the university/college you are attending, and degree you are working towards.
- Indicate if you are requesting an award for one or two nights' lodging

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