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## 2018 ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Dear RSS Members and Friends:

The RSS 2018 annual meeting registration link is now up and running on the website. For more information, visit <http://www.ruralsociology.org/>, or click the link below.

To register: [https://rss.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com\\_mcform&view=ngforms&id=30687#/](https://rss.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_mcform&view=ngforms&id=30687#/). You can reserve rooms at the Red Lion Hotel on the River: <https://book.passkey.com/event/15983048/owner/4387/home>.

If you have questions, please contact the business office at 309-298-3518 or [rssira@wiu.edu](mailto:rssira@wiu.edu).

## 2018 FIELD TRIP ANNOUNCEMENT



All field trips will be held on **Thursday, July 26, 2018**. They include transportation and lunch.

### **Queering the Food System in Oregon**

The field trip takes a food systems approach, visiting a queer-owned farm in a rural Oregon and queer-owned food and farming hubs in Portland.

### **Water Conservation in the Willamette Valley**

Our field trip will be based on the water conservation efforts in Willamette Valley where the City of Portland and the surrounding communities are located. Water

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compounded by the urban sprawl in this region.

### **Labor Issues in Organic Agriculture**

Current organic standards don't speak to the fair or humane treatment of labor. What is, and what should be, the relationship of environmental sustainability to just work? Moreover, in today's political climate, undocumented farmworkers face unprecedented challenges. How are farmworkers, their families, and their communities (both within and outside the U.S.) being affected by, and how are they responding to, the hard-line immigration policies of the current administration? This field trip is focused on gaining some insight into these questions, from people who deal with it every day.

For more information on field trips, <http://www.ruralsociology.org/2018-annual-meeting-field-trips>.

## **2018 ELECTION RESULTS**

President-Elect: Kai Schafft, The Pennsylvania State University

Vice-President: Mary Hendrickson, University of Missouri-Columbia

Council Member A (Land Grant University): Brian Thiede, The Pennsylvania State University

Council Member B (Non-Land Grant University): Rebecca Schewe, Syracuse University

Council Member C (Non-Academic Institution): Gretchen Thompson, Family Health International

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Student Representative to Council: James Patterson III, Auburn University

Nominations Committee Chair-Elect: Jessica Ulrich-Schad, South Dakota State University

Nominations Committee Members: Emily Wornell, Ball State University and J. Gordon Arbuckle, Iowa State University

Ethics Committee: Elizabeth Seale, SUNY Oneonta



## **SAFRIG STUDENT PAPER AWARD**

The Sociology of Agriculture and Food Research Interest Group (SAFRIG) will present a Student Paper Award in Portland at the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society. Requirements for this award include that the paper: 1) is authored by a student or group of students (no faculty co-authors), 2) focuses on an agrifood topic, and 3) uses the Rural Sociology journal guidelines for style, formatting, and references. Papers will be particularly competitive if they demonstrate effective use of innovative theories and/or methods. Submissions for the Student Paper Award competition can be under initial review at a peer-reviewed journal, but cannot be already accepted (in press) or published in a peer-reviewed journal. In order to compete, all authors must be members of the Rural Sociological Society. The winner(s) will receive a certificate and monetary award. The winner(s) must present the paper at the RSS Annual Meeting in July 2018. The award will be presented during the SAFRIG Business Meeting in Portland. Submissions for this

## RIG PAPER COMPETITIONS ANNOUNCEMENT

All 2018 RIG sponsored paper competitions, except for SAFRIG, end tomorrow, May 4. See past eBulletins or the website (<http://www.ruralsociology.org/rigs>) for details.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### Postdoctoral Fellow - Myanmar

WorldFish is seeking a dynamic postdoctoral fellow to design, implement and deliver research and development outputs within Aquaculture System Cluster of CGIAR's Research Program on Fish Agri-food System (FISH CRP). Adopting a system approach, research in this cluster provides understanding of how aquaculture systems are integrated into household, community, regional, and national economies. The recruited candidate will work with scientists in Aquaculture System Cluster, of Sustainable Aquaculture Flagship of FISH CRP, especially the new project on "Scaling systems and partnerships for accelerating the adoption of improved tilapia strains by small scale fish farmers" awarded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

This project will be implemented in Myanmar (with an extension to Bangladesh and Malawi) from 2018 to 2020. Interested applicants are invited to apply by **May 11, 2018**. Click this link for more information: [http://www.ruralsociology.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=341:post-doctoral-fellow-opportunity&catid=25:employment-opportunities&Itemid=13](http://www.ruralsociology.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=341:post-doctoral-fellow-opportunity&catid=25:employment-opportunities&Itemid=13)

### Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist - Extension Education and Community Engagement - North Carolina State University

This position will provide expertise in extension education and community engagement with agriculture, food, and environmental systems. It will build on current capacity in the department and will allow for the continuation of the undergraduate and graduate courses in extension education as well as the minor in extension education. The successful candidate will advise students in both the extension education and agricultural sciences majors.

This position will be expected to update the current extension education minor and curriculum to reflect the changing landscape of extension and engagement. This faculty member will be a leader in the proposed PhD program and attract students to work in the areas of extension, community engagement, and transnational science. Further, the successful candidate will be expected to develop new courses and internship opportunities in order to mentor future leaders in extension and engagement. Application review begins **May 23, 2018**. For more information, click this link. <https://rss.memberclicks.net/assets/docs/JobPostings/Community%20Engagement%20Position.pdf>

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### **The Delta Regional Forum on Population Health, Development, and Entrepreneurial Problem Solving**

The Delta Directions Consortium cordially invites you to attend the 4th Delta Regional Forum on Population Health, Development, and Entrepreneurial Problem Solving on July 18-19, 2018, at the Coahoma County Higher Education Center in Clarksdale, Mississippi.

Scholars and students from diverse disciplines and fields are invited (community development, demography, sociology, anthropology, epidemiology, public health, social work, and law, just to name a few), as are practitioners working the arenas of policy and program development and evaluation. Abstracts will be accepted until **June 1, 2018**. To submit an abstract, please visit this link ([http://uofmississippi.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_eE8u3a9zEbE0dfl](http://uofmississippi.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eE8u3a9zEbE0dfl)). For full details, please see [http://www.ruralsociology.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=345:the-delta-regional-forum-on-population-health--development--and-entrepreneurial-problem-solving&catid=23:call-for-papers&Itemid=134](http://www.ruralsociology.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=345:the-delta-regional-forum-on-population-health--development--and-entrepreneurial-problem-solving&catid=23:call-for-papers&Itemid=134)

### **Special Issue in Engaged Scholarship for Resilient Communities**

The journal Social Sciences (ISSN 2076-0760; index by \*Scopus\*) is currently running a Special Issue entitled "Engaged Scholarship for Resilient Communities".

Local and community-scale practices show potential for addressing critical social and environmental problems, particularly in the absence of effective state or federal policy and programs. Partnerships between community organizations, policy-makers, and academic groups can both inform community-level solutions and create opportunities for learning and empowerment. For this Special Issue, we seek submissions on the analysis or application of community-engaged research promoting community sustainability...

The submission deadline is **November 1, 2018**. You may send your manuscript now or up until the deadline. Submitted papers should not be under consideration for publication elsewhere. We also encourage authors to send a short abstract or tentative title to the Guest Editors, Prof. Richelle Winkler ([rwinkler@mtu.edu](mailto:rwinkler@mtu.edu)) and Prof. Angie Carter ([ancarter@mtu.edu](mailto:ancarter@mtu.edu)) or the Editorial Office in the email ([socsci@mdpi.com](mailto:socsci@mdpi.com)) in advance. For more information, see [http://www.ruralsociology.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=343:special-issue-in-engaged-scholarship-for-resilient-communities--call-for-papers&catid=23:call-for-papers&Itemid=134](http://www.ruralsociology.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=343:special-issue-in-engaged-scholarship-for-resilient-communities--call-for-papers&catid=23:call-for-papers&Itemid=134)

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