

# 55th Annual Meeting of the Weed Science Society of America

Lexington, Kentucky • February 9 - 12, 2015

## Symposia

- Integration of “Omics” Approaches in Weed Science Research
- Herbicide Resistance Summit II – Are We Going to Do the Same Thing and Expect a Different Outcome?





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## President's Welcome

Dear WSSA members,

The 55th annual meeting of the Weed Science Society of America will be held at the Hilton Lexington Downtown and Lexington Convention Center beginning Monday, February 9 through Thursday, February 12, 2015. The hotel and conference center are across the street from each other, and are located in downtown Lexington, where there are many places to shop and several nice restaurants nearby. Our impression after holding our summer Board meeting at the Hilton is that it is a great venue for our conference.

WSSA Program Chair, Dallas Peterson, has been putting together the agenda for the meeting. There is a pre-conference tour called Horsing Around in Kentucky. It will be Sunday afternoon and consists of a tour of the Adena Springs Horse Farm and the Kentucky Horse Park. This guided tour will provide an in-depth view of how championship race horses live and a perfect way to see why Kentucky is the "horse capital of the world." There is more information elsewhere in this brochure, but it is quite an interesting day.



The meeting itself will open with a very interesting general session and awards presentation Monday afternoon, followed by a society reception. There are two outstanding symposia scheduled for the 2015 meeting. The first is a summary of the Herbicide Resistance Summit II entitled "Are We Going to Do the Same Thing and Expect a Different Outcome?" and the second one is a look at the future of molecular research in

Weed Science, called "Integration of 'Omics' Approaches in Weed Science Research." Finally, the graduate students have organized a workshop entitled "Preparing Students for Work after Graduate School," which should be of interest to all the students attending the conference. The workshop will cover many of the areas of employment within the Weed Science community, including academics, private industry, and government agencies. The graduate students have also organized a lunch discussion that includes all three Editors of the WSSA journals. The Editors will discuss what it takes to publish in our journals and also important considerations for peer-reviewing other manuscripts. In addition, for the first time there will be a graduate student poster contest. You will be hearing more about this in the newsletter and through other registration information.

The entire program will be posted on the WSSA web site ([www.wssa.net](http://www.wssa.net)) in advance of the meeting. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Joe DiTomaso  
President, Weed Science Society of America

## Schedule of Events

### Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015

7 a.m. – 5 p.m. WSSA Board of Directors

### Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015

8 a.m. – Noon WSSA Board of Directors  
12:30 – 5:30 p.m. Tour – Adena Springs Horse Farm and the Kentucky Horse Park

### Monday, Feb. 9, 2015

7 – 8 a.m. WSSA Board/Committee Chairs  
Breakfast  
8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. WSSA Committee Meetings  
4 – 6 p.m. General Session/Awards Ceremony  
6 – 8:00 p.m. Welcome Reception  
(heavy hors d'oeuvres and cash bar)

### Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2015

8 – 10 a.m. Poster Session (Even numbered Presentations)  
10 a.m. – Noon Paper Sessions  
Noon – 1:30 p.m. WSSA Graduate Student Luncheon  
1:30 – 5 p.m. Paper Sessions  
5 – 6 p.m. WSSA Business Meeting

### Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015

7 – 8 a.m. WSSA President's Breakfast with Regional Presidents  
8 – 10 a.m. Poster Session (Odd numbered presentations)  
10 a.m. – Noon Paper Sessions  
1 – 5:00 p.m. Paper Sessions

### Thursday, Feb. 12, 2015

8 a.m. – Noon. Paper Sessions  
1 – 3 p.m. WSSA Board of Directors



## Student Events

### Graduate Student Poster Contest

For the first time, there will be a graduate student poster contest in two groups – one for Master's students and one for Ph.D. students. Students wishing to participate will designate this at the time of abstract submission.

### Graduate Student Luncheon

Tuesday, February 10.....Noon – 1:30 p.m.  
Open to all students registered for the meeting. A conversation with the three WSSA journal editors and the graduate student business meeting.

### Graduate Student Workshop

“Preparing Students for Work After Graduate School”

The WSSA Graduate Student Organization is hosting a session of presentations and question/answer sections with professionals in all facets of weed science. These professionals are members of academia, industry and government, and have varying numbers of years in their positions. The goal of this session is to allow students to learn what it takes to work in any of the three areas of weed science, including: job duties to be expected, interviewing in each type of position, how to handle the transition out of graduate school and any other advice these professionals have to help students succeed in their chosen career. Open to all students registered for the meeting. Schedule to be announced at a later date.



## Horsing Around in Kentucky

An informative and entertaining tour of Adena Springs Horse Farm and the Kentucky Horse Park.

Pick Up .....Hilton Hotel, Downtown Lexington  
 Length .....Half Day Schedule  
 Capacity .....25  
 (will expand capacity if sufficient interest)  
 Price .....\$50 per person

### Details

#### Adena Springs Horse Farm

Adena Springs Horse Farm is rich in history and a world recognized entity in the Thoroughbred industry. The farm is stunning and the tour is very in depth, including the breeding shed which is normally not included in horse farm tours. The original Adena Springs farm in Kentucky, consisting of 640 acres, was purchased in 1989. The oldest known inhabitants of the land were the Adena Indians, who had been attracted to the area by the quality of the water in the free-flowing local springs. The farm was named after the Adenas, both as a tribute and as a commitment to perpetuate in this land the grace, spirit and strength they instilled there. Since inception, the operation has expanded to incorporate many additional acres and the focus of the farm is the commitment to offering the best stallion roster. Adena Springs was the Leading Breeder in North America by earnings for 10 consecutive years (2003-2012). They are the only breeder in history to win the Eclipse Award and the Sovereign Award the same year, and they achieved that feat four straight years from 2005 to 2008.

#### Kentucky Horse Park

The Kentucky Horse Park is "all things" horse! Big, small, performers, competitors, workers and so many more breeds. Museums, a film about the horse, gift shop, and walking map to see-touch-smell-explore the park, are available. The International Museum of the Horse is an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution and is the largest and most comprehensive museum in the world dedicated to exploring the important history of all horses and their impact on human civilization. The American Saddlebred Museum is the "Showplace for Saddlebreds," allowing you to experience Kentucky's oldest native breed of horse at its finest.

The Kentucky Horse Park is the final resting place for numerous high-born, noble steeds of legendary accomplishment, and many humble horses whose even greater achievements were to provide friendship for the people who loved them. These horses' gravesites are located throughout the park, in addition to the great horses who are buried behind the Hall of Champions and near the Man o'War memorial.

Price includes transportation, guides, any entry fees/tickets, and tips.

*Note: The tour may be subject to change since we will be touring during the winter season.*





## Hotel Information

This year the WSSA is utilizing a combination of the Hilton Lexington Downtown for guest rooms and committee meetings and the Lexington Convention Center for the primary meeting events.



### Hilton Lexington Downtown

Overlooking Lexington's Triangle Park with its cascading fountains, the Hilton Lexington/Downtown hotel is connected via skywalk to The Lexington Center, with easy access to Rupp Arena, Lexington Convention Center, shops at Lexington Center and the Shoppes at Victorian Square. Combining urban sophistication and warm Bluegrass hospitality, the hotel is an oasis in the city.

Inspired by the rich history of the Bluegrass, the stylish guest rooms overlook Triangle Park or Downtown Lexington.



### Lexington Convention Center

Conveniently located in the center of the downtown and within a day's drive of 75% of the country's population, the Lexington Convention Center is a beautiful and versatile multi-purpose event facility.

The facility offers comfort and function as a dynamic venue for public expos, meetings, banquets, trade shows and conventions. In addition to the 66,000 square feet of dedicated exhibit space, 40,000 square feet of elegant meeting spaces, mall and food court, the Lexington Convention Center is attached to both the Hyatt Regency and Hilton Hotel.

The Lexington Convention Center is in the heart of Lexington's historic and vibrant downtown. Retail boutiques, unique restaurants, night clubs, and many other entertainment opportunities are all within easy walking distance in a city famous for its scenic beauty, world-famous Thoroughbred farms, small-town charm and genuine hospitality. Lexington offers the business and recreational traveler a delightful combination of sophistication, culture, history, and fun.

## Reservations

One of the reasons we have been able to retain relatively low meeting registration costs is that we receive free meeting space from the hotel if we achieve our contracted guest room minimum. However, we are charged attrition fees and meeting space rental fees if we do not meet this threshold. Thus, your reservation at the Lexington Hilton Downtown, rather than another location, ensures the success of the meeting for the Society and enables us to keep registration rate increases to a minimum in the future.

As part of our contract, we've negotiated complimentary guestroom internet for all attendees staying at the hotel, complimentary self-parking, and a 50% discount on valet parking. The group rate for a standard guest bedroom is \$156 per night plus tax.

The Lexington Hilton is making available 25 "student rooms" each night at the reduced rate of \$99 single occupancy/double occupancy. This is first-come, first-served so you need to reserve these early. Student reservations will be cross-checked with the registrant list to ensure that only those who qualify for the rooms obtain them. Valid student ID's will need to be presented upon check-in.

### Regular Members

To make reservations online, visit:

[http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/L/LEXDTHF-WSSA15-20150205/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id+POG](http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/L/LEXDTHF-WSSA15-20150205/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id+POG)

The Group Code is WSSA15

### Student Members

To make reservations online visit:

[http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/L/LEXDTHF-WSSAST-20150207/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/L/LEXDTHF-WSSAST-20150207/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

The Group Code is WSSAST

If you'd prefer to reserve your room via phone, please call: 1-859-281-3739, be sure to mention "WSSA" in order to get the discounted rate.

Our discounted block is available through **Monday, January 5, 2015**. Reservation requests received after the cut-off date will be based on availability and may be subject to the hotel's prevailing rates.

Check-in time at the Lexington Hilton is 3 p.m. with check-out at Noon. All reservations must be guaranteed and accompanied by a first night room deposit or guaranteed with a major credit card. Reservations cancelled after 24 hours prior to the day of arrival will be charged for the first night's room and tax.

Room Type	Rate*
Single/Double Occupancy	\$156
Triple Occupancy	\$156
Quad Occupancy	\$156
Student Single Occupancy	\$99
Student Single/Double Occupancy	\$99



## Travel Information

Minutes from the Blue Grass Airport with easy access from US-25 BR S/US-421 BR S/US-60 BR E, The Hilton Lexington Downtown hotel offers a central location in the heart of the city that is easy to get to!

### Parking

There is complimentary self-parking for WSSA meeting hotel guests. Garage clearance is 6' 6" H. Oversized vehicle parking is available in a separate lot. (Price depends on size of vehicle - call for details.)

### From the Blue Grass Airport

Distance from Hotel .....6 miles • Drive Time, 15 minutes

- Turn left onto Man O' War
- Take a right onto Versailles Rd
- Then a left onto N. Broadway
- Next take a right onto Vine
- The Hilton Lexington Downtown Hotel is on the immediate left

### From Knoxville or Huntington, West Virginia

Distance from Hotel .....Drive Time, 2.5 hours

- From I-64 West/I-75 North take exit 115 toward BG Parkway/ Airport/Lexington
- At the bottom of the exit ramp, take a left toward Lexington on Newtown Pike
- Stay on Newtown Pike for approximately 3.3 miles
- Turn left onto West Main Street or US-25 BR
- Hotel is approximately 1/2 mile on the left just past Triangle Park

## Registration Information

### Registration Fees

Please see the registration form for costs on registration. Take advantage of the early bird discounts and register on/before December 9, 2014.

### How to Register

#### By Mail

Complete the registration form, include payment, and send to:  
WSSA Meeting Registration  
810 East 10th Street  
Lawrence, KS 66044-7065

#### Online (for credit card registrations only)

Meeting registration can be accessed and paid for directly online by going to the meeting registration section of the WSSA web site: <http://www.wssa.net>. Members will need to log-in to their account in order to receive the Member registration rate.

A printable PDF registration form can be found at [www.wssa.net](http://www.wssa.net). Complete the form, including payment information and e-mail to [wssameeting@allenpress.com](mailto:wssameeting@allenpress.com).

#### By Fax (for credit card registrations only)

Complete the attached registration form, or print one from our website, and fax to 785-843-6153.

### Questions

Call 1-800-627-0326 or e-mail us at [wssameeting@allenpress.com](mailto:wssameeting@allenpress.com).

### Cancellation Policy

Written notice of cancellation received on or before January 12, 2015 will be refunded, less a \$50 processing fee. **No refunds will be issued for cancellations after January 12, 2015.** Participants unable to attend the conference can make substitutions.



## Registration Form

Print or type name clearly as you wish it to appear on your badge. One form per registrant (only a spouse/guest may be included on the same form). Spouse/guest must be registered in order to attend the WSSA receptions on Monday evening.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please Specify Any Special Needs \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse/Guest Name: (if registering) \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration Type – All registration payments in US dollars

	Early Bird – Dec. 9	Dec. 10 – Jan. 12	Jan. 13 and after	Subtotals
WSSA Member*	\$325	\$425	\$475	\$ _____
Non-Member	\$375	\$475	\$525	\$ _____
Student**	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$ _____
Guest*	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$ _____
WSSA Emeritus & Retired Fellows***	Complimentary	Complimentary	Complimentary	

\* Registration includes the Awards Reception on Monday evening.

\*\* Student registration includes attendance at the Awards Reception, the Graduate Student Luncheon and 2015 online student membership.

\*\*\* Emeritus or Retired Fellows may register for the annual meeting without a registration fee. Registration for this group includes the Awards Reception on Monday evening.

### Special Events - Optional

Tour: Sunday, February 8, 2015

Horsing Around in Kentucky \_\_\_\_\_ Number of tickets X \$50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

WSSA Endowment Contribution (Optional) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total for Registration and Optional Events/Donations \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Forms of Payment

MasterCard     VISA     American Express     Discover

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Do Not Send Cash. Please make checks payable to "WSSA." All fees must be paid in US funds and drawn on US banks.**

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### Return Form

Fax: 785-843-6153 • WSSA Meeting Registration • Email: wssameeting@allenpress.com

Mail to: WSSA Meetings, 810 East 10th Street, Lawrence, Kansas 66044