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Memorandum to: Members of the Southwestern Branch of the Entomological Society of America, the Society of Southwestern Entomologists, and other interested individuals.

Subject: The 56th Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Branch of the Entomological Society of America and the Annual Meeting of the Society of Southwestern Entomologists

The annual meeting of our societies are Saturday, February 23 through Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at the Doral Tesoro Hotel and Gold Club at Alliance/Ft.Worth, Texas. The hotel is located on Highway 114, one block west of I-35 across from the Texas Motor Speedway. This is 15 miles north of downtown Ft. Worth and 17 miles west of Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. The Doral can be contacted by phone 866-491-4561 or fax 817-961-0900. The website is <http://www.doralesoro.com> . Hotel reservations deadline is January 23, 2008. Reservations made prior to this date have a room rate of \$99 for a single or a double. Reservations made after 5:00 p.m. January 23, 2008 will be accepted at \$229.00 per night. As you can see we have substantial reduction in rate for early registration. We have committed to 190 room nights, so make every effort to stay in our host hotel.

The Program Planning Committee Chair for 2008 is Dr. Pat Porter p-porter@tamu.edu and our Local Arrangement Committee chair is Dr. Allen Knutson a-knutson@tamu.edu . Attached to this letter is a paper submission form prepared by Dr. Porter. Please note: do not submit a presentation to Dr. Porter you anticipate will be in a symposia. Beginning next week , you can download the presentation and poster registration form. The deadline for paper and poster submissions is January 18, 2008 by mail and January 22, 2008 by email.

The pre-registration form will not be available until December 20, 2007.

A tentative agenda is as follows:

Saturday, February 23	SWB Executive Committee Meeting Society of SW Entomologist Executive Committee Society of SW Entomologist Annual Meeting Linneaeian Games - 1 st Round
Sunday, February 24	Poster Session Plenary Session Student Paper Competition Linneaeian Games - Final Banquet and Awards
Monday, February 25	Poster Session Paper Sessions Final Business Meeting Student/Member Mixer
Tuesday, February 26	Executive Committee Meeting

Scott Russell, Chair of the Insect Expo has indicated that TAKS testing is the week following our meeting, therefore we will have to skip this year for the event.

If you know of entomologist that are not Southwestern Branch members, but might be interested in our meeting, please provide Carlos Blanco, (cblanco@ars.usda.gov) Sec./Tres., or me (g-cronholm@tamu.edu) with their email address. Also, you may forward this letter to other individuals in your department.

Sincerely,

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Entomological Society of America