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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Registration

PALMS BALLROOM FOYER

9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

SRSA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

OLEANDER A

9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Poster Set-up

PALMS BALLROOM – SALON E

11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

SRSA Rural Education Task Force Meeting

OLEANDER A

12:30 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Meet and Greet Conference Attendees

OLEANDER A

1:15 P.M. -- 2:15 P.M.

SESSION 1 – CHANGING RURAL DYNAMICS

OLEANDER A

Moderator: Christopher Davis, Economist, ERS-USDA

**Panel: Changing Dynamics in Rural Communities:
Partnering for Success**

Organizers:

Committee on the Opportunities and Status of Blacks in Agricultural Economics (COSBAE)

Christopher Davis, Economic Research Service, USDA

Keithly Jones, Economic Research Service, USDA

Doris Newton, Economic Research Service, USDA

Bill Edmondson, Economic Research Service, USDA

Participants:

Deacue Fields III, Auburn University

Doris Newton, Economic Research Services

Ntam Baharanyi, Tuskegee University

Daniel Rainey, Arkansas State University

Dave Weatherspoon, Michigan State University

Dovi Alipoe, Alcorn State University

Ashok Mishra, Economic Research Services

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Break

PALMS BALLROOM FOYER

2:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

**SESSION 2 – LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND
INDUSTRIALIZED AGRICULTURE**

OLEANDER A

Moderator: Odili Onianwa, Alabama A&M University

**Global Sourcing in the Broiler Industry: The Case of Tyson
Foods and Pilgrim's Pride**

Douglas H. Constance, Sam Houston State University

North Carolina's Black Belt and Industrialized Agriculture

Godfrey Ejimakor, North Carolina A&T State University

Makesi Ormond, North Carolina A&T State University

Obinna Achareke, North Carolina A&T State University

Trends and Impacts of Farmland Conversion in Alabama

Maribel N. Mojica, Alabama A&M University

James O. Bukenya, Alabama A&M University

2:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

SESSION 3 – BLACK BELT INITIATIVE

GARDEN ROOM

Moderator: Rosalind Harris, University of Kentucky

Panel: Rural Social Scientists Engage the Black Belt Initiative

Organizer: Rosalind Harris

University of Kentucky

Panelists:

Ntam Baharanyi, Tuskegee University

Sokoya Finch, Florida Family Network

Rosalind Harris, University of Kentucky

Terrence Thomas, North Carolina A&T State University

Veronica Womak, Georgia College and State University

Dreamal Worthen, Florida A&M University

4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. SAAS GENERAL SESSION

ORANGE AND LEMON

6:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M. SAAS RECEPTION

POOLSIDE PAVILION AND POOL AREA

Monday, February 6

8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Registration

PALMS BALLROOM FOYER

7:30 A.M. – 8:30 A.M.

Keynote Speaker

OLEANDER A

8:30 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.

SESSION 4 – RISK MANAGEMENT CATALYSTS

OLEANDER A

Moderator: Tracy Dunbar, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

Warriors and Winners: Risk Management Catalysts

Organizer:

Mary Mafuyai-Ekanem, North Carolina A&T State University

Panelists:

Charlotte Ham, Tuskegee University

Elicia Chevarest, Alabama A&M University

Mary Mafuyai-Ekanem, North Carolina A&T State University

8:30 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.

SESSION 5 -- RURAL EDUCATION ISSUES

GARDEN ROOM

Moderator: Glenn Israel, University of Florida

Panel: Rural Education Issues: Notes from the SRSA Rural Education Task Force

Organizer: Glenn Israel, University of Florida, Chair, SRSA Rural Education Task Force

Panelists:

Glenn Israel, University of Florida

Mark Schafer, Louisiana State University

Ed Reeves, Morehead State University

Don Albrecht, Texas A&M University

Doug Smith, Western Kentucky University

Bo Beaulieu, Southern Rural Development Center

Frank Beck, Illinois State University

Usman Adamu, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

8:30 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.

SESSION 6: POSTER DISPLAY [Authors Present]

PALMS BALLROOM – SALON E

Moderator: Mary Mafuyai-Ekanem

**Poster #1: Animal Waste Management Practices
at Limited Resource Farms in Alabama**

Ericka Soumare, Alabama A&M University
Duncan M. Chembezi, Alabama A&M University
Joseph Befecadu, Alabama A&M University
E'licia L. Chaverest, Alabama A&M University

**Poster #2: The Development of a Rural Community Capacity Index –
Based on Cornelia Flora's "Community Capital Framework"**

Elizabeth Higgins, Louisiana Tech University
Patrick McCorkle, Louisiana Tech University
Dave Norris, Louisiana Tech University
Deborah Tootle, Louisiana State University

**Poster #3: An Economic Evaluation of Rabbit Production as an
Alternative Enterprise for Small Farmers in North Alabama**

Jermisha Johnson, Alabama A&M University-
Hezekiah Jones, Alabama A&M University
Joseph Befecadu, Alabama A&M University

**Poster #4: Texas Latino Attitudes Toward Natural Resources
and The Environment: "Survey Says..."**

Angelica Lopez, Texas A&M University
Cruz C. Torres, Texas A&M University

**Poster #5: A Case Study of the Socioeconomic Impacts of Technology
Transfer on a Philippine Company: Eliminating Aflatoxin
in Peanut-Based Products**

Robert L. Moxley, North Carolina State University
William B. Clifford, North Carolina State University
Flor Crisanta F. Galvez, University of the Philippines/Diliman
Ma. Leonora D.L. Francisco, University of the Philippines/Diliman

**Poster #6: Perceptions of Agricultural Biotechnology among Science
Students in Historically Black Land Grant Institutions**

Duncan M. Chembezi, Alabama A&M University
Elicia L. Chaverest, Alabama A&M University
Gerald Wheelock, Alabama A&M University
Govind Sharma, Alabama A&M University
Ellene Kebede, Tuskegee University
Fisseha Tegegne, Tennessee State University

Poster #7: Consumer Attitudes Toward Biotech Food Labeling and Safety of Biotech Foods Filing Requirements

Enefiok Ekanem, Tennessee State University
 Fisseha Tegegne, Tennessee State University
 Mary Mafuyai-Ekanem, North Carolina A&T State University
 Surendra Singh, Tennessee State University
 Safdar Muhammad, Tennessee State University

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Break *PALMS BALLROOM FOYER*

10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.
SESSION 7 -- RURAL LEADERSHIP AND WOMEN ISSUES *GARDEN ROOM*
Moderator: Kim Bradford, USDA-NRCS-ENTSC

Rural Leadership Development: A Synthesis of Research

Eric K. Kaufman, University of Florida
 Rick D. Rudd, University of Florida

Leadership Style of the National Agricultural Women's Groups in Thailand

Oranutda Chinnasri, University of Hawaii at Manoa

10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. *OLEANDER A*
SESSION 8 -- SPECIAL ISSUES IN RESEARCH I
Moderator: Deborah M. Tootle, Louisiana State University

Sources and Channels Of Information Used By Florida Adult Horse Owners

Kristen M. Spahn, University of Maryland
 Glenn Israel, University of Florida

Do African Americans Living With HIV Disease Believe That Antiretroviral Medications Can Kill Patients?

Andrew A. Zekeri, Tuskegee University
 Tsegaye Habtemariam, Tuskegee University

Consumers' Food Expenditures and Consumption Patterns

Courtney Finch, Tennessee State University

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Awards Luncheon *POOLSIDE PAVILION*
PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS
PATRICIA DYK, SRSA PRESIDENT
“RURAL LEADERSHIP AND LEGACY: PARTNERING FOR PROGRESS”

1:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.

SESSION 9 – FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

OLEANDER A

Moderator: Douglas Constance, Sam Houston State University

**Panel: Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research and
Education Grant Opportunities**

Organizers:

Douglas Constance, Sam Houston State University

Jeffrey Jordan, University of Georgia, Griffin

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Break

PALMS BALLROOM FOYER

2:45 P.M. – 3:45 P.M.

GARDEN ROOM

SESSION 10 -- SPECIAL ISSUES IN RESEARCH II

Moderator: Christopher Borek, University of Florida

**A Decade and a Half of College Student Health Practice Trends
in a Landgrant University**

Wolfgang Frese, Mississippi State University

Lynne Rich, Mississippi State University

**Economic Feasibility of Incorporating Herbs and Spices in Small
Farm Operations in Alabama**

Steven Wright, Alabama A&M University

Hezekiah Jones, Alabama A&M University

Joseph Befecadu, Alabama A&M University

2:45 P.M. – 4:45 P.M.

SESSION 11

Special Workshop: Entrepreneurial Coaching

OLEANDER A

Ron Hustedde, University of Kentucky

5:00 p.m. -- 6:00 p.m. SRSA Business Meeting

OLEANDER A

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

Registration

PALMS BALLROOM FOYER

8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.

**SESSION 12 -- FOOD SECURITY, FOOD SAFETY AND
WELFARE ISSUES I**

OLEANDER A

Moderator: Fisseha Tegegne, Tennessee State University

A Profile of Food Pantry Directors in the Deep South

Patricia A. Duffy, Auburn University

Marina Irimia-Vladu, Auburn University

Suzie Cashwell, Western Kentucky University

John Bartkowski, Mississippi State University

Joseph J. Molnar, Auburn University

Vanessa Casanova, Auburn University

Attitudes and Preferences Regarding Farmers Market and Supermarket Produce: A Comparison of Statewide and On-site Consumer Survey

Lamonica Ginton, Alabama A&M University

Maribel Mojica, Alabama A&M University

Odili Onianwa, Alabama A&M University

Edward Williams, Alabama A&M University

Gerald Wheelock, Alabama A&M University

9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

SESSION 13 -- FOOD SECURITY, FOOD SAFETY AND WELFARE ISSUES II
Moderator: Fisseha Tegegne, Tennessee State University

OLEANDER A

Economic Survival Strategies of Food Insecure Single Mothers in Rural Alabama

Andrew A. Zekeri, Tuskegee University

Forward-Looking Behavior and Time Limits: How Do Rural TANF Clients Manage Their Welfare Eligibility?

Deborah A. Harris, Mississippi State University

Domenico Parisi, Mississippi State University

Supper in the South: An Exploratory Look at Food Prices in Metropolitan and Micropolitan Areas in the Southern United States

Julie N. Zimmerman, University of Kentucky

Sarah Michelle Frank, University of Kentucky

Seonok (Sunny) Ham, University of Kentucky

8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.

SESSION 14 – SOCIAL CAPITAL AND POVERTY I

GARDEN ROOM

Moderator: Albert Allen, Mississippi State University

Home Language and Educational Achievement: Mediating Effects of Family Social Capital and Residence

Georgia E. Bianchi, University of Florida

Glenn D. Israel, University of Florida

Social Factors as Determinants of Rural Poverty in Some Village of Matrooh Governorate in Egypt

Ashraf Ragab EL-Ghannam, Agricultural Research Center, Egypt.

Big Bend People & Goats as a Witness for Goat Raising in the Agricultural Sector

George K. Floro, Sul Ross State University, Big Bend People & Goats, Studies of Voluntarism and Social Participation

9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

SESSION 15 – SOCIAL CAPITAL AND POVERTY II

GARDEN ROOM

Moderator: Albert Allen, Mississippi State University

Visual Cues and Response Format Effects in Mail Surveys

Glenn D. Israel, University of Florida

Livestock, livelihoods and poverty in the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa

Christopher Phiri, Fort Hare Institute of Social & Economic Research, South Africa

10:00 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.

BREAK

PALMS BALLROOM FOYER

10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

SESSION 16 – SMALL FARMS ISSUES

OLEANDER A

Moderator: Surendra Singh, Tennessee State University

Panel: Small Farm Issues: Implications for Research, Outreach and Education in Rural Development

Organizer: Enefiok Ekanem, Tennessee State University

Panelists:

Fisseha Tegegne, Tennessee State University

Surendra Singh, Tennessee State University

Denis Ebodaghe, USDA

Roy Bullock, Tennessee State University

Mary Mafuyai-Ekanem

Safdar Muhammad

10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

SESSION 17 -- RURAL COMMUNITIES I

GARDEN ROOM

Moderator: Dennis Ebodaghe, CSREES-USDA

Time Use on America's Farms

Mary Ahearn, USDA-Economic Research Service

Karen Hamrick, USDA-Economic Research Service

Poor Places and Poor Health Outcomes: A Case Study of a Rural Pennsylvania Community

Eric Cohen, Penn State Fayette, The Eberly Campus

Methamphetamine Production and the Rural-Urban Continuum: How Does Local Context Impact the Location of Clandestine Meth Labs?

Deborah A. Harris, Mississippi State University

J. Michelle Estis-Sumerel, Mississippi State University

The Community Context for Early Childhood Education

Glenn D. Israel, University of Florida

Chris Borek, University of Florida

11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

SESSION 18 -- RURAL COMMUNITIES II

OLEANDER A

Moderator: Gene Theodori, Texas A&M University

Parental Resources and High School Quality in the Context of the Rural Gap in Postsecondary Educational Attainment

Edward B. Reeves, Morehead State University

Community Participation: Investigating Who Participates? and Why?

Gene L. Theodori, Texas A&M University

Community Based Organizations (CBO) Values, Governance, Institutional Capacity and Performance in a Dynamic Environment

Terrence Thomas, North Carolina A&T State University

Benjamin Gray, North Carolina A&T State University

11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

SESSION 19 -- ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCE

GARDEN ROOM

POLICY ISSUES

Moderator: Surendra Singh, Tennessee State University

Texas Latino Attitudes toward Natural Resources and the Environment

Angelica Lopez, Texas A&M University

Cruz C. Torres, Texas A&M University

What are the Implications of the Tobacco Buyout for Small farmers?

Fisseha Tegegne, Tennessee State University

Enefiok Ekanem, Tennessee State University

Safdar Muhammad, Tennessee State University

Surendra Singh, Tennessee State University

12:30 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.

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OLEANDER A