



**California/Nevada Section  
Bimonthly Update  
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Thirty Fourth Edition**

- \* **Annual International Meeting in Louisville, KY**
- \* **Agricultural Engineering Exam Review Webinars**
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What happened in Louisville last month, you ask? Well, the California/Nevada Section had a lot to brag about. Let's start with Cal Poly's Bryce DaFonte being elected as the Treasurer of the International Preprofessionals Community! UC Davis faculty added two ASABE Fellows to their list in Bruce R. Hartsough, professor of forestry engineering, and Shrinivasa K. Upadhyaya, professor of precision farming, traction, and tillage. Congratulations to Xuan Li of UC Davis on winning a Boyd-Scott Graduate Research Award for the paper "Three Dimensional Geometric Modeling of Processing-Tomatoes". The newly endowed Pharos of Alexandria Global Learning Award was established by Dr. Awatif El-Domiaty Hassan who attained her MS and PhD in Engineering-Agriculture from UC Davis in 1964 and 1968, respectively. Roger A. Isom, Executive VP of the California Cotton Ginners and Growers Association and President/CEO of Western Agricultural Processor Association in Fresno earned the Mayfield Cotton Engineering Award. L. Joe Glass and Carolyn M. Jones were inducted into ASABE's inaugural class of the Order of the Engineer. It was great to see all of the California/Nevada faces this year!

\* **Agricultural Engineering Exam Review Webinars**

If you're planning on taking the Agricultural Engineering Professional Engineering exam in October and you need study help, check out ASABE's Professional Engineers' Institute website at <http://www.asabe.org/pei/PEwebinar.html>. GOOD LUCK!!!

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The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Overhead Irrigation & Conservation Tillage Twilight Field Tour & BBQ will be held Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7pm at the University of California's West Side Research and Extension Center at 177353 West Oakland, Five Points, CA 93624 (559-884-2411). Learn how San Joaquin Valley farmers are using overhead, mechanized, automated irrigation and conservation tillage, controlled traffic systems to produce crops more cheaply and with less labor while also improving soil quality.

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