

Vegetable Research/Demonstration Award

Sponsored by: UGA Extension Vegetable Team

Purpose:

To recognize outstanding contributions of County Agents to the vegetable industry. The aim is to award County Agents who have identified a specific problem or research opportunity related to the vegetable industry, and have assumed a lead role in project development and completion. Potential contributions for recognition include, but are not limited to: production and pest management research, farm economics, product marketing, post-harvest evaluations, environmental impact evaluations, or regulatory/labor issue mitigation.

The first place winner will be recognized at the GACAA Annual meeting. The winner will be expected to give an oral presentation highlighting their contribution at the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference. (A poster presentation may be substituted with prior approval of the Extension Vegetable Team).

First place will be awarded \$500 cash and a plaque, plus travel and lodging expenses to participate in the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference. Half of the cash award will be presented at the GACAA Annual Meeting and half at the Vegetable Conference.

Second place will be awarded \$250 cash and a plaque.

Eligibility:

1. Applicant must be a UGA County Agent and member of GACAA in the year of submission.
2. The work must have been completed within the past two years. These awards are intended to recognize recent specific activities/programs.
3. A manuscript must be written in scientific format including an abstract, introduction, materials and methods, and results and discussion. Although not all projects may fit this exact criteria, this format should be followed wherever possible. The winners abstract and manuscript will be included in the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference Proceedings and in the following years Vegetable Extension-Research Report.

Entry and Judging Criteria:

Applicants should submit their completed manuscript and contact information at least one month prior to the GACAA Annual Meeting.

Entries will be judged by the Extension Vegetable Team Awards Committee, which consists of a minimum of three Vegetable Team members appointed by the Chair of the Extension Vegetable Team.

Entry Submission:

Recipient must attend GACAA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference to receive award, unless exempted by GACAA President because of extenuating circumstances. (Established by GACAA Board action, November, 2008)

Submit manuscript and contact information by **September 12, 2008**)

To: Extension Vegetable Team Awards Committee
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