N.E. Weed Society holds annual meeting

PHILADELPHIA - The City o Brotherly Love played host to the 35th Annual Northeastern Weed Science Society meeting when more than 300 participants gathered recently at the Philadelphia Sheraton.

The three-day meeting focused on 147 scientific papers, presented in separate sessions including Agronomy; Ecology, Physiology and Soils; Industry, Forestry and Conservation; Ornamentals and Turf A special Biological Weed Control Symposium featured speakers from USDA and Abbott Research Center discussing the use of insects and plant pathogens for weed control

President Garry Schnappinger, of Ciba-Geigy, opened the general session by relating what weed scientists can do to "get involved" in the defense of agricultural chemicals.

Keynote speaker Jack D. Early, president of the National Agricultural Chemicals Assn. followed with a review of his organization's action plan to combat overregulation on behalf of the chemical industry.

Awards Chairman James Parochetti, of the USDA-SEA-Extension, presented awards to three member scientists for their

dedicated service and outstanding contributions.

Honored with the Distinguished Member Award were: Robert H. Beatty, retired from Amchem Products, Inc., now Union Carbide Agricultural Products Co., Inc; Arthur Bing, professor of Floriculture with Cornell University; and John A. Meade, professor and extension weed specialist at Rutgers University, NJ.

The Award of Merit established in recognition of meritorious service to NEWSS members nearing retirement or who have retired – was presented to: Dayton L Klingman, Chief, Weed Science Laboratory, Beltsville, Maryland; Hugh J Murphy, agronomy professor at the University of Maine; and John Van Geluwe, Senior Research Specialist in Plant Protection, Ciba-Geigy

The best paper and graduate student presentation awards, funded by BASF Wyandotte Corporation, were presented to the following:

Best Paper Award (\$200) - R.C. Henne, Campbell Institute for Agricultural Research (co-author T.L. Poulson). Title "Weed Control in Cucumbers in NW

Kingston. Title. "Prostrate Spurge

Ohio" Runner-Up (\$100) - J.A. Control in Turfgrass Using Her-Jagschitz, University of RI, bicides." Honorable Mention - R. Community, Hempstead Plains, Stalter, St. John's Univ., Jamaica,

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New officers and committee representatives of the Northeastern Weed Science Society are, front row: President-Elect, Stephan Dennis; Editorial Committee Representative Ben Coffman; President Ray Taylorson; Secretary-Treasurer, Russ Hahn; and Vice-President, Tom Watschke. Second row includes: PR Representative, Dohorah Clayton; Past-

and Awards Committee President Representative, Garry Schnappinger; Sustaining Membership Committee Representative, Barbara Emerson; Research Co-ordinator, Richard Henne; and Weed Science Society of America Representative, Dean Linscott.

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