

## 2024 WFDW / AFS-FHS ANNUAL MEETING SUMMARY OF AWARDS BANQUET

### SNIESZKO STUDENT TRAVEL AWARDS

Every year the FHS provides funding for students and post-doctoral students to attend and present at our annual meeting, and this is accomplished through the Snieszko Student Travel Awards. This year, 9 recipients were selected, and each received \$1000 to defray travel expenses. Congratulations!!



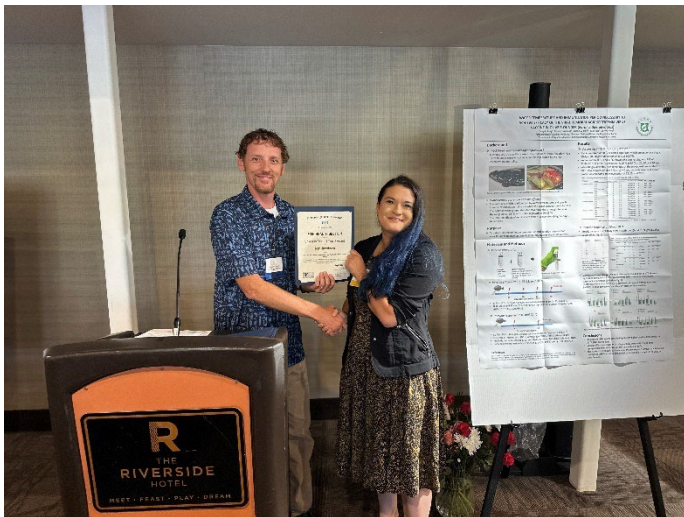
Nilanjana Das of Oregon State University



Lindsey Hartzell of West Virginia University



Noor-ul-Huda of Mississippi State University



Kim Jacobsen of UC-Davis



Hayden Krause of Oregon State University





Jamison Semla of Auburn University



Owen Ledford of Auburn University



Divya Rose of Mississippi State University



Chandler Schneider of Auburn University

### **BEST STUDENT PRESENTATIONS**

Every year the FHS awards a best student presentation award or awards. This year, it was decided to award a Best M.S. Student Presentation and a Best Ph.D. Student Presentation. Six M.S. and five Ph.D. students competed for the award. All student presentations were fantastic!! Each recipient will be awarded a plaque and a \$200 check!!

The Best M.S. Student Presentation was awarded to Hayden Krause for his presentation entitled, “Pathogen risk to juvenile spring-run chinook salmon in the upper Klamath basin, to inform re-establishment efforts”.

There was a tie for the Best Ph.D. Student Presentation, so it was decided to provide two awards. The recipients were Nilanjana Das for her presentation entitled, “The emergence of *Tetracapsuloides bryosalmonae* in an Oregon salmonid hatchery”, and Amber Johnston for her presentation entitled, “Exploring genetic resistance to infectious salmon anemia virus in captive North American Atlantic salmon”.



Best M.S. Student Presentation

Hayden Krause of Oregon State University



Best Ph.D. Student Presentations

Nilanjana Das of Oregon State University

Amber Johnston of University of Maine

## **AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE**

Each year the FHS President may present Awards of Excellence to FHS committee chairs who have gone up and above expected duties and/or whose service resulted in outstanding accomplishments. Wade Cavender presented the award to six recipients. Congratulations!!

Matt Stinson, Chair of the Archives Committee (Not present at meeting)

Carolyn Richards, for her 8 years of service as the FHS Secretary-Treasurer (Not present at meeting)



Nick Phelps, Chair of the Recruitment and Student Involvement Committee





George Sanders, Chair of the Continuing Education Committee



Stacy Strickland, Chair of the Section Communication Committee



Benjamin LaFrentz, Chair of the Awards Committee

## **SNIESZKO DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD (SDSA)**

The highest award in the FHS is the S.F. Snieszko Distinguished Service Award (SDSA). Dr. S.F. Snieszko stands as one of the most prominent figures in the establishment of the modern fish health sciences in the USA and internationally. This award is presented to individuals to honor their outstanding accomplishments in the field of fish health. This is a career achievement award.

This year, the SDSA was presented to Dr. David Groman. Congrats Dave!!!



## **CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION**

Each year, the outgoing FHS President is awarded a Certificate of Appreciation. Specifically, in recognition of personal contributions to the advancement and improvement of fisheries science, in the professional and public interest, by serving as President of the Fish Health Section of the AFS and as a member of the governing board of the AFS. Congrats Wade, and thanks for a productive term as President!!



Wade Cavender, now Past-President of the FHS