

This year we initiated the first award from the SE section of BSA for the best botany paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association of Southeastern Biologists. The recipient is Ms Sarah John, a master's student at East Carolina University who won the cash award of \$100. Additional benefits include payment of registration of costs for the BSA meeting and \$350 towards travel. I have not heard from Ms Johnson so assume she is not attending the Austin meeting.

We plan to present the award again next year.