

## HONORS, AWARDS, AND APPOINTMENTS FOR IRS, NRS, AND BOT IN 2005

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### **Olivyn Angeles, Sarah Johnson, and Roland Buresh, CSWS**

- Won second prize for the poster, *Soil solution sampling methods for organic acids in paddy soils*, East and Southeast Asia Federation of Soil Science Societies, Quezon City, Philippines, June.

### **Anindya Bandyopadhyay, PhD scholar, PBGB**

- Won the Best Poster Award for *Genetic engineering for introducing C4 trait into indica rice*, Federation of Crop Science Societies of the Philippines, May.

### **Darshan Brar, senior scientist, PBGB**

- Named honorary scientist of the Rural Development Administration, Republic of Korea, January.

### **Mark Bell, head, TC/IPMO**

- Presented a Gratitude Plate in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the successful implementation of the RTTS and the further strengthening of the collaboration between Korea and IRRI, from the Rural Development Administration, Republic of Korea, April.

### **Herminigildo Gines (PhilRice), Roland Buresh (IRRI), Mirasol Pampolino (IRRI), and Leocadio Sebastian (PhilRice)**

- Won the National R&D Paper Award for *Opportunities for site-specific nutrient management in the Philippines*, 17th National Research Symposium, Bureau of Agricultural Research, Department of Agriculture, Quezon City, Philippines, October.

### **Herminigildo Gines, Roland Buresh, Mirasol Pampolino, and Leocadio Sebastian**

- Won third prize for the poster, *Site-specific nutrient management for rice in the Philippines*, East and Southeast Asia Federation of Soil Science Societies, Quezon City, Philippines, June.

### **Gene Hettel, head, CPS**

- Presented the 2005 Service Award for more than 33 years of outstanding volunteer efforts and service, Association for Communication Excellence in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Life and Human Sciences, Texas, USA, June.

### **Gene Hettel and Tess Rola, CPS**

- Won the Gold Award in the Editing Class for the IRRI/WARDA publication, *Rice-feeding insects and selected natural enemies in West Africa*, Association for Communication Excellence in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Life and Human Sciences, USA, May.

### **K.L. Heong, senior scientist, EPPD**

- Appointed visiting professor to the China Jillian University School of Life Sciences, China, April.

### **K.L. Heong, EPPD, and Monina Escalada, international research fellow, IPMO**

- Won the World Bank Development Marketplace Award for the *Environmental soap opera for rural Vietnam*, the project, Washington, D.C., USA, May.

### **IRRI (institutional)**

- Won 2nd and 3rd places, respectively, for success stories with IRRI ties, *Three Reductions, Three Gains Program to Improve Environment and Livelihood of Millions of Rice Farmers in Vietnam* (IRRI, Vietnam) and *Genuinely Lao, the Story of the Project that Revolutionized Rice Production in Laos* (IRRI, Laos), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, March.
- Received Certificate of Appreciation as participant in the ASEAN Ritech Expo 2005, State Ministry of Research and Technology, Jakarta, Indonesia, August.
- Presented a Certificate of Recognition for contribution to the successful celebration of the 390th foundation anniversary of the Municipality of Los Baños and the promotion of tourism, community spirit and pride, Laguna, Philippines, September.
- Won The Center of the Year Award from the CGIAR's Gender and Diversity Program for Policy Goal Achievements in 2005 for an outstanding series of family-friendly policies that included: adoption, maternity leave, paternity leave, nursing with on-campus facilities, increased support for solo parents, and expanded compassionate leave. The award also recognized IRRI's "diversity positive" progress in prevention of harassment and discrimination, diversity positive recruitment and appointment, and the annual gender and diversity report to the BOT, December.

### **Ali Jamil, PhD scholar, CSWS**

- Conferred lifetime membership for his continued interest in the advancement of agriculture and allied disciplines, Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society of Agriculture, University of the Philippines Chapter, December.

### **J.K. Ladha, senior scientist, CSWS**

- Received a Plaque of Honor, Indian Society of Soil Science, Ludhiana, India, September.
- Received the Outstanding Agricultural Scientist Award for 2005 for his significant research contribution to sustainable management of agriculture and natural resources, Association of Agricultural Scientists of Indian Origin, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA, November.

### **Ruben Lampayan, associate scientist, CSWS**

- Received the Outstanding Filipino Agricultural Engineer Award in the field of irrigation research and development, Philippine Society of Agricultural Engineers, April.

### **Hei Leung, senior scientist, plant pathology, EPPD**

- Elected Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) for his contributions to science, September.

### **Teodoro Migo, Ofelia Namuco, A.M. Mortimer, and David Johnson, CSWS**

- Won the Best Paper Award (weed science) for *Response of lowland rice weeds to submergence and the effect of herbicide dose*, Pest Management Council of the Philippines, May.

### **Charina Garrido-Ocampo, VIS**

- Presented the 2005 Dangal ng Wika Award for promoting and popularizing the Philippine national language, Commission on the Filipino Language, September.

### **William G. Padolina, Deputy Director General for Partnerships**

- Received the 2005 ASEAN Science and Technology Meritorious Award for his qualifications and significant contributions to the development and application of science and technology in the ASEAN region, Jakarta, Indonesia, August.

### **Mirasol Pampolino and Roland Buresh (IRRI), Ireneo Manguiat (UPLB), Herminigildo Gines (PhilRice), S. Ramanathan and Ramasamy Rajendran (Tamil Nadu Rice Research Institute, India), and Pham Sy Tan and Truong Thi Ngoc Chi (Cuu Long Delta Rice Research Institute, Vietnam)**

- Won first prize for the poster, *Economic and environmental assessment of site-specific nutrient management in integrated rice systems*, East and Southeast Asia Federation of Soil Science Societies, Quezon City, Philippines, June.

### **Sushil Pandey, senior scientist, SSD**

- Conferred the title of visiting professor, Yunnan Academy of Agricultural Sciences, China, October.
- Conferred the title of visiting professor in agricultural economics, Huazhong Agricultural University and Zhongshan University of Economics and Law, China, November.

### **Thelma Paris, senior scientist/gender specialist, SSD**

- Received the Honorary Fellow Award, Federation of Crop Science Societies of the Philippines, May.

**Shaobing Peng, crop physiologist, CSWS**

- Named Fellow of the Crop Science Society of America, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA, November.

**Shaobing Peng, John Sheehy, Rebecca C. Laza, Romeo Visperas, Grace S. Centeno, and Gurdev Khush (IRRI), Jianliang Huang (Huazhong Agricultural University, China), Xuhua Zhong (Guangdong Academy of Agricultural Sciences, China), and Ken Cassman, University of Nebraska)**

- Won the 2005 CGIAR Science Award for Outstanding Scientific Article, *Rice yields decline with higher night temperature from global warming*, Marrakech, Morocco, December.

**George Reyes, Emmanuel Panisales, Juan Lazaro IV, Tess Rola, and Gene Hettel, CPS**

- Won the Bronze Award in the Technical Publications Class for the IRRI/WARDA publication, *Rice-feeding insects and selected natural enemies in West Africa*, Association for Communication Excellence, in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Life and Human Sciences USA, May.

**Emerlinda R. Roman, member, Board of Trustees**

- Conferred the 2005 Outstanding Citizen of Los Baños Award for exemplary service, experience, and commitment as university administrator, Municipal Government of Los Baños, Laguna, Philippines, September.

**Marianne Samson, Eufrocino Laureles, Wenceslao Larazo, and Roland Buresh, CSWS**

- Won the Best Paper competition, downstream research category, for *Benefits of real-time N-fertilizer management during four years in two long-term experiments*, Federation of Crop Science Societies of the Philippines, May.

**Sant Virmani, principal plant breeder, PBGB**

- Received the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award for his efforts to assuage India's concerns, food security, and related issues, Mumbai, India, January.
- Received the International Koshihikari Rice Prize for his development of hybrid rice technology in the tropics, Japan, February.
- Recognized by the Government of India, Indian Seed Industry Association, and Seedsmen Association for contributions to the development and dissemination of hybrid rice, Bangalore, India, April.
- Presented a Plaque of Gratitude for devoting more than 25 years to developing hybrid rice technologies suited to the Philippines and doing extensive research on hybrid rice, Department of Agriculture, June.
- Received the 2005 Monsanto Crop Science Distinguished Career Award, Salt Lake City, USA, November.