

2016 Northeast Region Award Recipient

Richard Taylor, PhD.

University of Delaware

Richard would be described by all who know him as a quiet “doer.” He exemplifies one who has successfully improved the effectiveness of plant and soil science professionals within the Northeast by providing avenues of interaction among research, teaching, extension faculty, graduate students and personnel.

He is a member of the overall planning committee for Delaware Ag Week and is the co-chair with extension colleagues to develop the educational programming for Hay and Pasture, Equine Nutrient Management, and Agronomy and Soybean Programs.

Richard holds a BS from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; a Master’s from the University of Connecticut, and a PhD in Plant Sciences-Agronomy from the University of Connecticut.

Dr. Taylor has been the editor and co-author on a series of 32 fact sheets covering all aspects of soybean production technology which have won the outstanding factsheet award from the American Society of Agronomy. He publishes for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Agronomist Quarterly Newsletter for educators, consultants, and growers.

Congratulations Richard!



Pictured left-Richard Taylor, University of Delaware
Pictured right-Steve Bonanno, NEED chair, 2016



Pictured by self-Richard Taylor, University of Delaware, presenting Extension programming

The 2016 Northeast Extension Directors Award is dedicated to Mary Jane Willis. Mary Jane served the people of New Jersey Extension System for 40 years. She gave her heart and soul to the betterment of our communities on a state and national level, and demonstrated what Cooperative Extension is with her whole being. She was appointed Associate Director of Rutgers Cooperative Extension in 1994 after holding several faculty positions of increasing rank. Mary Jane's legacy will forever serve as a guidepost to do more for our underserved communities. We lost Mary Jane in December, 2015.