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GSA Announces Election of R. Scott Hawley as 2009 Vice President

Bethesda, MD --The Genetics Society of America is pleased to announce the election of R. Scott Hawley (Stowers Institute of Medical Research, Kansas City, MO), as the 2009 vice president of the Society. He will assume the role of president in 2010.

Hawley has been an active member of the GSA for years. He is an indispensable contributor to the GSA Journal, *GENETICS*. In particular, Hawley has served as a *GENETICS*' associate editor for 16 years, and is a member of the Journal's board of senior editors. For the past several years he has co-written the highlights of selected articles, which is prepared as a digest to bring added value to the Journal by extending the reach of its articles. Hawley has also written for the GSA newsletter, *GENEtics*. He was also a participant in the GSA genetics oral history project, "Conversations in Genetics" by interviewing Dan Lindsley (University of Washington, Seattle) about his work on the structure and behavior of chromosomes in *Drosophila*.

Active in the *Drosophila* community for decades, Hawley has not only attended most of the annual GSA *Drosophila* meetings, but he has also helped organize them and has served as chair of the Larry Sandler Memorial Lecture Selection Committee. Hawley has served as a mentor to students at both the GSA *Drosophila* and Model Organism meetings and is on the selection committee of the GSA DeLill Nasser Awards for Professional Development, which gives travel awards to young geneticists to attend conferences and courses. He is well-known within the GSA community for his commitment to undergraduate and graduate student genetics education. In recognition of this commitment, Hawley was the 2008 recipient of the GSA Elizabeth W. Jones Award for Excellence in Education.

Hawley served as a director on the GSA Board from 1996-99 and from 2001-06 as the first content editor of the Society website.

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