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Agronomy

CONGRATULATIONS The Crops Judging Team in Kansas City finished 4th overall. The team was composed of Abbie Hardy, Trevor Perkins and Phil Long. Katie Burger, Kyle Schwarzkoph and Evan Kissel were alternates. Wisconsin Platteville coached by Roger Higgs, Kansas State University coached by Kevin Donnelly and South Dakota State coached by Brent Turnipseed finished ahead of us.

In Chicago the Crops team of Abbie Hardy, Trevor Perkins and Sam Ambrose finished 3rd. The team was coached by myself, Katie Hardy and Ben Spencer. Katie Burger and Kyle Schwarzkoph were alternates. Wisconsin Platteville, and Kansas State University were first and second respectively. Our goal is to win but if we don't we try to advance our KC position in Chicago.

Congratulate the team assistant coaches and alternates when you see them.



Collegiate Crops Judging team after 3rd place win in Chicago. L-R, Dr. Tom Housley coach, Kyle Schwarzkoph alternate, Abbie Hardy team, Sam Ambrose team, Katie Burger alternate Ben Spencer assistant coach, Trevor Perkins team, Katie Hardy assistant coach. Not pictured Phil Long and Evan Kissel.

MISSION STATEMENT— The Agronomy Department at Purdue University offers dynamic undergraduate, graduate, and extension education programs, and conducts innovative and relevant research in the crop, soil, and environmental sciences in collaboration with public and private partners.

December 5, 2008

**Faculty & Staff Recognition—December 19
3:00—5:00 pm at the Beck's Center**

This year's event includes a

- Silent Auction

(Proceeds going to the Salvation Army)

All donations welcomed. (Crafts, baked goods, babysitting, car washes, etc.)

- Dessert Contest

Put your culinary talents to the test!!! Prizes awarded.

More details to follow.



National Poinsettia Trial Open House

The general public will be able to see some of the newest poinsettia cultivars and give their assessment at the 2008 Purdue Consumer Poinsettia Open House Dec. 7 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Purdue University Horticulture Greenhouse potting room.

The open house will feature more than 95 poinsettia cultivars, poinsettias produced by environmentally friendly techniques, new and experimental cultivars, and Purdue Extension information on poinsettia care.

Attendees will be asked to fill out a survey to help identify the latest consumer preferences to assist poinsettia breeders.

Poinsettias will **not** be on sale at this event but there will be a drawing to win some of the newest cultivars. For more information visit <http://www.hort.purdue.edu/hort/facilities/images/maps/mapZoom06.gif>.

The Indiana Flower Growers Association, Purdue Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture, Purdue Extension, Dummer, Paul Ecke Ranch, Selecta First Class and Syngenta Flowers sponsor the open house.

JOBS

Forage Crop Scientist Assistant/Associate Professor

North Dakota State University

Contact: jobs.ndsu.edu/applicants/Central?quickfind=50504

Extension Educator

Wells County

Contact: Apply Online

Extension Educator

Carroll County

Contact: Apply Online

Graduate Research Assistantships

For: IUPUI

Locations: Ohio and Indiana

Contact: Pierre-Andre Jacinthe

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Fall 2008 Graduation Deadlines

Reminder to Doctoral Candidates: To be eligible to schedule the doctoral final examination for the 2008 fall session, the preliminary examination must have been completed before or during the 2007 fall session.

December 5, 2008 Last day for students to pass the final examination

December 5, 2008 Final examination reports must be received for all graduating students by the Graduate School, Room 170, Young Hall (YONG). Students for whom a final report is not received will not be able to graduate in December.

CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

BIOCHEMISTRY

“Translational Control and eIF2 Kinases”

Ronald Wek, Dept. of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, IU School of Medicine

December 9, 2008 WSLR 116 4:00 to 5:00 pm

National Soil Erosion Research Laboratory

No Seminar

BIOFORMATICS

November 11, 2008

Mechanical Engineering (ME) 161 Time: 4:30pm

PULSE SEMINAR SERIES

“The Brassinosteroid Signaling Pathway-Fill the Gaps Using Proteomics and Genomics”

Zhiyong Wang, Carnegie Institution and Biological Sciences, Stanford University

Monday, December 8, 2008

STEW 214 C&D

Coffee at 3:00 pm seminar to follow

Dr. Madhumita Das, visiting Fulbright Scholar is giving a seminar entitled “Refining and Tuning Approaches for Prospective Use of Effluent Water in Agricultural Processes”

Tuesday, Dec. 9th

12:00- 1:00 pm

ABE 301.

Light refreshments will be served.

Abstract:

Fresh water is a retreating resource worldwide. Irrigation systems are becoming comprehensive and a new source of irrigation water will be necessary to find. There is a large presence of effluent water (i.e. wastewater) in various industrial sectors that could be utilized for agricultural applications. A significant amount of this effluent water is defiling natural resources and damaging ecosystems. A wide variety of options for effluent water uses have been developed and this seminar will discuss the quality and variability of industrial effluents along with their merits and demerits, and possible applications to crop production.

AGRONOMY

“Biomass, Bioenergy Potentials, and Carbon Budget of Global Terrestrial Ecosystems

Qianlai Zhuang, EAS/Agronomy, Purdue University

Monday, December 8, 2008 3:30 pm Lilly 2-425

BOTANY & PLANT PATHOLOGY

No Seminar

ENTOMOLOGY

“The use of ozone technology in the treatment of entomological pests”

Marissa McDonough, Dept. of Entomology, Purdue University

December 11, 2008, Whistler hall, Room 116 3:45pm

HORTICULTURE & LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

“Arkansas fruit breeding: Local, national, and international relationships and intellectual property rights management”

John R. Clark, Dept. of Horticulture University of Arkansas

December 11, 3:30 pm

Room 117 Horticulture Building

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

“Quorum sensing in *Vibrio cholerae* pathogenesis”

Zhu Jun, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

December 10, 2008 4:00pm

Dean’s Auditorium, PFEN 241



