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Bulletin Board

Agronomy

February 27, 2009

Hello Researchers

The new Wintersteiger Bio-mass Harvester is here at ACRE.

If you think you will be interested in its use in the future, then you should let me know so you can be part of the "pool user group"

Let me know so I can start planning the first meeting.

Jim

ACRE Safety Thought

As simple as it may sound, transporting your employees around the ACRE can be a safety issue.

There should never be a rider on a tractor.

Employees are not to ride in the back of a pick-up or on the tailgate.

The utility carts like the Gators, Mules, etc. should only have riders on the appropriate seats and not in the utility bed.

Some tractors or combines have a cab with a passenger seat and riders are acceptable there.

So as part of your Project Specific Safety Training Outline, please note how your project expects to move your employees safely.

Plan, train, and work safely at the ACRE.

Thanks. Jim

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 6— Distinguished Ag Alumni (for more information check back page)

March 14-22 Spring Break

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.

NEW AWARD

CREES National Needs Fellowship - Training Plant Breeders of the 21st Century

PI: Herbert W Ohm

Project Period: 01/01/2009 - 12/31/2010

Total Sponsor Award: \$36,000.00

Sponsor Name: Montana State University

NEW AWARD

Using cover crops to facilitate the transition to continuous no till

PI: Eileen Kladviko

Project Period: 10/1/08-8/31/11

Total Sponsor Award: \$51,641

Sponsor Name: CTIC/USDA-NRCS

Intramural softball - This year, we are forming an intramural softball team for the spring league. We will be joining forces with the Ag Econ Department to ensure that we have sufficient numbers to field a team for each game. This is a great way to hang out with your fellow grad students outside of the the lab or classroom- and to meet some new faces from down the street in Krannert.

Even if you are not exactly an athlete (I know I'm not) still come out-- it will be a great time! (I'm thinking cookies will be an important part of our team strategy)

We don't have a schedule of when the games are yet, I just want to see how much interest there is in the prospect.

Anyone with questions or interest in joining the team - (or with great ideas for a team name-- I'm thinking TEAM AWESOME), feel free to email me, Sam, at ssshoaf@purdue.edu or stop by PS-211- its not too hard to track me down.



SEMINARS

AGRONOMY

“The Dust Bowl and Soil Conservation Seen Through the Eyes of the Times”

Otto Doering, Ag Economics, Purdue University

March 2, 2009

3:30 pm Lilly Hall 2-425

NATIONAL SOIL EROSION RESEARCH LABORATORY

No Seminar

10:30 am

NSERL Conference Room

BIOCHEMISTRY

“Poxvirus regulation of NF-kB: Mechanisms for Controlling Inflammation”

Joanna Shisler, Department of Microbiology, University of Illinois

March 3, 2009, LILY G126, 4:30 pm

PLANT BIOLOGY STUDENT/POSTDOC

“What puts the twist in *twisted dwarf1*? - a cytological approach”

Renate Weizbauer, Schulz lab

March 4, 2009, WSLR Room 116, 12:00 pm

PURDUE UNIVERSITY STUDENT CHAPTER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION SOCIETY

“Grazing in Indiana”

Susannah Hinds, USDAS-NRCS

March 3, 2009, LILY 3-409, 5:45-6:45 pm

BOTANY & PLANT PATHOLOGY

“TBA ”

Dr. Daniel Ploper, Distinguished Agricultural Alumni, Estación Experimental Agroindustrial

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March 4, 2009 3:30 pm

Whistler Hall Room 116

ENTOMOLOGY

“Effects of Varying Ratios of N, P, S on the Expression of Endophyte-mediated Resistance and How the Products of this Resistance Influence Plant-Insect Interactions”

Victoria Caceres, Department of Entomology, Purdue University

February 26, Whistler Hall Room 116

Life Sciences Library

EndNote Wed

March 3, 2009

5:30-7:00 pm

STATISTICAL BIOINFORMATICS SEMINAR SERIES

“From the Ground Up: Linkage Map Construction in Integrated Crosses”

Dr. Emma Huang, Postdoctoral Fellow, CSIRO, Mathematical and Information Sciences, Macquarie University North Ryde, Australia

Tuesday, March 3, 2009, 4:30pm, LILY G126

2009 Distinguished Agricultural Alumni

College of Agriculture and Department of Agronomy

BRAD INMAN

Principal Technologist, CH2M Hill
Global Water Business Group

B.S., Agronomy / Ag Education, 1981

Seminar and Welcome Reception

Friday, March 6, 2009 LILY 2-425

10:30am Welcome Reception

11:00 am Seminar

"Environmental Consulting in an Engineered World"
(An overview of problem solving, travel, and survival)



Brad Inman graduated from Purdue School of Agriculture in 1981 with a double major in Agronomy and Agricultural Education. After graduation he took a position as a Science and Vocational Agricultural Teacher in the Louisiana School System for five years. In 1987 he was named the Louisiana Young Teacher of the Year. Brad chose to continue his education and completed his Master of Science Degree at Cornell University in 1987. His career since then has been that of a professional soil scientist, specializing in environmental issues. For most of his career he has been with CH2M Hill, a large nation-wide environmental consulting firm. He has specialized in design and operation of Natural Treatment Systems for Waste Water, Irrigation, Soil Suitability Evaluations, and Wetland Mitigation and Delineation. He has also led teams involved in Hazardous Waste studies at Superfund Sites, development of Land Treatment of wastes and the use of forests as waste treatment sites.

Brad is an accomplished leader in Natural Resources and Environmental Science. He is a major player in one of the largest Environmental Consulting Firms, where he has recently managed projects with budgets of \$250 Million (for restoration work in the New Orleans area) and over \$200 Million (19,000 acre dust control project in California) and participated in teams operating in Florida, Georgia, Utah, Virginia, numerous other states and led investigations for Egypt on the suitability of soils for irrigation in a 100,000 acre tract of the Sahara. Brad also served as a Congressional Science Fellow to Senator Max Baucus (1994-1995) and as Federal Liaison for CH2M Hill the following year. He served on the Board of Directors and as President (2001-2002) of the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST).

Brad received the 2005 Professional Certification Service Award from the Soil Science Society of America, which recognizes the outstanding certified scientist who has demonstrated adherence to certification goals, personal growth, and positive impact on associates and the public. He gives of his time and talents outside his professional position including serving Purdue University as a member of the Department of Agronomy Advisory Council. The Department of Agronomy recognized his outstanding record of accomplishments and significant contributions to the practice of environmental management and society by presenting him with a 2008 Agronomic Achievement Award.

Distinguished Agricultural Alumni Awards

College of Agriculture

Friday, March 6, 2009

Purdue Memorial Union, North Ballroom

2:30 pm Reception

3:30 pm Convocation

Citation Reader: Janet Broughton

All faculty, staff and students are welcome to attend.