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Agronomy

Agriculture Faculty and Staff,

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us on **Thursday, October 22** to honor and celebrate **Dr. Gebisa Ejeta, winner of the 2009 World Food Prize**.

The World Food Prize is the foremost international award recognizing the achievements of individuals who have advanced human development by improving the quality, quantity or availability of food in the world. Dr. Ejeta was awarded the prize for his work on sorghum germplasm that has improved the food supply for more than half a billion people in several African countries. His work has enhanced the quality of seeds and has greatly improved yields, and he worked to lay the foundation for a commercial seed industry in the Sudan and Niger.

Our celebration on October 22 will begin with a special lecture by Dr. Ejeta at 2:00 p.m. in Fowler Hall, Stewart Center, followed by a reception in the Purdue Memorial Union South Ballroom. Both events are open to the public.

Gebisa Ejeta is truly one of Purdue University's points of pride. We look forward to celebrating his achievements on October 22 and we hope you will be able to join us.

**REMINDER—FACULTY MEETING—
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 8:30 AM
LILLY
2-425**

**Special Strategic Planning Staff Meeting with Dean
and Associate Deans
Thursday, October 8, 2009
10:30-11:00 am
LILLY 2-425**

Meeting scheduled to meet with Dean Akridge and Associate Deans to discuss and review the Strategic Plan. All faculty and staff are encouraged to attend.

To give faculty and staff a chance to review the Plan before the meeting, please check the following web-site :

http://www.ag.purdue.edu/Documents/strategicplan/AgricultureStrategicPlan_2009.pdf

September 25, 2009

CONGRATULATIONS REBECCA DOERGE—
Rebecca has been chosen as 2009-10 fellows in the Academic Leadership Program sponsored by the committee on Institutional Cooperation



2009 Spirit of the Land-Grant Mission Award—

Presented to Dr. William Field, Department of Agricultural & Biological Engineering
3:00 pm Thursday, October 1
Dean's Auditorium at Pfendler Hall

ACRE Safety Thought #37

With harvest also comes a time to clean up plots at ACRE. Please don't leave hazards in or near your plots this fall. Removing all wire flags is important. If they are hit by a mower or power equipment it creates a problem. Likewise rocks that end up moved to a grass lane or plot edge can become a hazard at mowing time. All research items should be picked up from the research plots and surrounding area. Think, plan, and work safely at ACRE.
Jim

MISSION STATEMENT - The Agronomy Department at Purdue University provides progressive and relevant undergraduate, graduate and extension education programs; conducts high impact fundamental and applied research at multiple scales to ensure that our science addresses immediate problems and anticipates future challenges; actively engages partners in the public and private sectors; and contributes to the development of the national and international agenda for research and education.

CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

AGRONOMY

“Using Indigenous Cyanobacteria Strains to Improve the Structural Stability and Productivity of Degraded Soils in South Africa”,
Pearson Mnkeni, Africa, Visiting Scientist
Monday, September 28, 3:30 pm
Lily 2-425

ENTOMOLOGY

John V. Osmun Award
Dr. Jeffrey Bloomquist, Virginia Tech
Oct 2, 3:45 pm
PFEN-Deans Auditorium

NATIONAL SOIL EROSION RESEARCH LABORATORY SEMINAR SCHEDULE

TBA
Ms. Sara Peel, Coordinator of Watershed Projects,
Wabash River Enhancement Corporation
September 30, 10:30 am in NSERL Conference
Room

FORESTRY & NATURAL RESOURCES

Impacts of Wolf Recovery on Population Growth
of Deer in Wisconsin, USA
Timothy R. Van Deelen, University of Wisconsin
September 29, 2009 3:30 pm
Deans Auditorium Pfendler Hall

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

“Genetics & functional genomics of complex
developmental life history strategies in salmonid
fishes,
Krista Nichols, Purdue University
October 7 3:40 pm
MJIS 1001

HORTICULTURE & LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Origin of species and diversity in wild Solanum,
Leonie Moyle
Thursday, October 1, 3:30 pm
Room 117 Horticulture Building
Receptions at 3:10 in HORT 217

BOTANY & PLANT PATHOLOGY

“A Quantitative Synthesis of Trends and Relationships
in the Wheat-FHB-DON Systems”
Dr. Pierce Paul, The Ohio State University
Wednesday, September 30, 2009
3:30 pm Whistler Ro

BIOCHEMISTRY

The Dawn of the Post Genomic Era: The Radical Change in
Modeling, Methodology and Medicine Implicit in the NIH’s
New Emphasis on biomarkers and Endophenotypes,
Joe Garner, Purdue University
September 29, WSLR 116 4:00—5:00 pm

PLANT BIOLOGY STUDENT/POSTDOC SEMINAR SERIES

“The role of serine acetyltransferase (SAT) in
nickel tolerance and selenium assimilation in
plant”,
Gun-Nam Na (Salt Lab)
September 30, Wednesday Noon (bi-weekly)
Whistler Room 116

BIOFORMATICS SEMINAR SERIES

“Bibliomics, Literature Mining, and Biomarker Discovery”
Matthew Palakal, the School of Informatics and Computer
Science in the School of Science at Indiana University Pur-
due University, Indianapolis
HORT 117;
September 29, 2009, 4:30pm

EAS SEMINAR SCHEDULE

“Pollen, Organic-walled Microfossils, and Applica-
tions of Palynology”,
Prof. Francisca Oboh-Ikuenobe, Missouri University
of Science & Technology
Dr. Mike Bosilovich, NASA
October 1, 3:30 pm
1252 CIVL Bldg.

PULSe Student Seminar

Redox Sensitivity of F-Acton Dynamics in Neuronal
Growth Cones,
Vidhya Munnamalai, Integrative Neuroscience
Tuesday, October 6
PFEN 120 12:00—1:00, drinks will be provided

Summer and Fall Examination/Graduation Deadlines for Graduate Students

- October 16, 2009 Last day for “exam/degree only” registrants to submit the appropriate Report of Final Examination and the Thesis Receipt forms. If these two forms are not received in the Graduate School, the registration will be revised to research credits (Does not apply to non-thesis master’s candidates.)
- December 4, 2009 Last day for students to pass the final examination. Signed candidate/certification forms and final examination reports must be returned to 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. (Final examination reports are not required for non-thesis master’s students).
- December 11, 2009 All master’s and Ph.D. candidates must submit their dissertation via Electronic Thesis Deposit (ETD), at least 24 hours prior to their scheduled appointment. All required forms must be deposited at their mandatory, scheduled, final deposit appointment in the Thesis/Dissertation Office, Room 170, Young Hall (YONG). Deposit appointments can be made by calling 765-494-2600 or e-mail gradinfo@purdue.edu.
- December 19, 2009 Doctoral students must have taken preliminary examinations by this date to be eligible for December 2010 graduation (assuming student registered Spring 2010 and Summer 2010).

NSF Graduate Research Fellowships

\$30,000/year for 3 years
<https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/grfp/>
Register: <http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/workshops>
Contact: The Graduate School Fellowship Office at fellowships@purdue.edu or 4-2598

Graduate School Travel Grants

<http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/funding/>
A. H. Ismail Interdisciplinary Travel Award
A complete grant announcement can be found at our website along with the submission guidelines

Winter 2009 Graduation Fair

Wednesday, October 21
Thursday, October 22

8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Dick and Sandy Dauch Alumni Center

Each candidate will have the opportunity to indicate participation in the ceremony, rent a cap and gown, etc. Please bring your student identification card with you.

JOBS

Assistant or Associate Extension Professor,
Soil Management
University of Kentucky
Contact: Dr. Todd Pfeiffer
859-257-5020

Extension Educator, Consumer & Family Sciences
Harrison County, Corydon, IN
Position #0900908
Apply online

Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development
Greene County, Bloomfield, IN
Position #0900489
Apply online

**Extension Educator, Consumer & Family
Science/4-H Youth Development**
Brown County, Nashville, IN
Position #0900914
Apply Online

**Extension Educator, Agricultural & Natural Re-
sources/Economics & community Development**
Position #0900915
Starke & Pulaski Counties
Knox & Winamac, IN

Postdoctoral Position: Watershed Hydrology
University of Hawaii-Manoa
Contact: Ali Fares
808-956-6361

Post Doctoral Scientist
Colorado State University
Additional information:
[http://www.soilcrop.colostate.edu/borch/
home.html](http://www.soilcrop.colostate.edu/borch/home.html)

Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development
Floyd County, New Albany, IN
Position #0901012