ACADEMIC PROGRAMS OFFICE

Hold the Dates

- **New Student Orientation**
  CALS will host New Student Orientation (NSO) on July 14 & 15, July 17 & 18 and July 21 & 22. As in the past, students are scheduled to attend New Student Orientation session based on their major. For a more detailed schedule for NSO, please visit:

  [http://www.ncsu.edu/nso/firstyear/programschedule.htm](http://www.ncsu.edu/nso/firstyear/programschedule.htm)

  If you have questions about NSO, please contact either Tricia Buddin or Julie Holder at 515-2614.

- **Wolfpack Welcome Week**
  The College Connection piece of Wolfpack Welcome Week will take place on Tuesday, August 19th. We will be hosting various events from 2:00-4:00 p.m. under Harrleson Hall. We will also have Da Chen, author of the summer reading, *Sound of the River*, with us for storytime from 2:45-3:30 p.m. This will also take place under Harrleson. Come be a part of this exciting event for the incoming freshmen.

- **The New Faculty Advising Workshop - Note Date Change**
  New faculty advisers should plan to attend our annual advising workshop on **Friday, August 15th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Williams Hall (1400 and 2405)**. This will better accommodate the agenda and not conflict with New Student Orientation sessions. Please see the attached agenda. Registration for the workshop can be completed between now and August 13^th at the link below.


- **CALS Academic Programs Fall Faculty Meeting**
  We will be holding our annual Academic Programs faculty meeting on Tuesday, August 19th from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. The meeting will be held in 2215 Williams Hall.

**Other Upcoming Dates of Importance**

- June 30 – July 4 – No classes
- July 8 - First day of classes, Summer Session II
- July 9 - Last day to add a course without permission of instructor. MyPack Portal closes for adds at 11:59 p.m. (After this day, adds processed in 1000 Harris Hall.)
- July 10 - Last day to drop a course, or change from credit to audit with tuition adjustment.
- July 22 – Last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade at the 400 level or below. Last day to change from credit to audit at the 400 level or below. Last day to change to credit only. Last day to submit Request for Course Repeat Without Penalty forms. MyPack Portal closes for Undergraduate drops at 11:59 p.m.
- July 23 – Last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade at the 500-900 level. Last day to change from credit to audit at the 500-900 level. MyPack Portal closes for Graduate drops at 11:59 p.m.
- July 29 – Last day of Tuesday/Thursday classes for Ten-week Session participants
- July 30 – Last day of Monday/Wednesday classes for Ten-week Session participants
- July 31 – Final examinations for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday classes (Ten-week session only)
- August 4 – Final examinations for 5:30 p.m. Monday/Wednesday classes (Ten-week session only)
- August 5 – Final examinations for 7:15/7:40 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday classes (Ten-week session only)
- August 6 – Final examinations for 7:15/7:40 p.m. Monday/Wednesday classes (Ten-week session only)
- August 8 – Last day of classes for Summer II participants
- August 11 thru August 12 – Final Examinations for Summer II participants

Admissions Information on New Students
Of the 2,888 freshmen who had applied for entrance into CALS as of June 16, 2008, 1854 have been accepted by the University and 852 have already responded that they will accept their offer of admission.

For CALS students who have accepted enrollment, the average SAT Total is 1157, the average high school GPA is 4.15 and 47.2% are in the top 10% of their class. This is comparative to the overall numbers for the incoming accepted class (SAT = 1177; HS GPA = 4.12; % in the top 10% of their class = 42.0%). It also represents an increase over the numbers for last year’s accepted class in CALS (SAT = 1148; HS GPA = 4.12; % in top 10% of their class = 36.5). Of those who have accepted enrollment at NC State:

- 568 are female (67%) and 284 are male (33%)
- 756 are from in-state (89%) and 96 were from out-of-state (11%)
- Diversity breakdown:
  - White: 78%
  - American Native: 1%
  - African American: 10%
  - Asian: 6%
  - Hispanic: 2%
  - Unknown: 2%
  - International: 1%

Note: If you would like additional information and breakdowns of enrollment data, you can access this information by visiting the University Planning and Analysis website and accessing the “Secure Data” link. The link for University Planning and Analysis is: [http://www2.acs.ncsu.edu/UPA/index.html](http://www2.acs.ncsu.edu/UPA/index.html)

CAREER SERVICES OFFICE
The annual report statistics for our office have been compiled. During the past academic year, our office saw 802 career counseling appointments; this is up from 540 in the previous year. We also had
1087 students participate in workshops and awarded 57 Kick Start certificates of completion. Our office hosted 21 recruiting sessions, with 128 students interviewing total. ePACK, our on-line employment database, has 2,516 active users that range from freshmen to alumni. Of those users, 1,507 have uploaded their resumes. There are 3,309 employer contacts registered with the system.

AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE OFFICE

State FFA Convention
The Agricultural Institute Office and Agricultural Institute Club hosted a hospitality room for Agriculture Teachers at the 80th State FFA Convention June 24-26. Many teachers enjoyed snacks and drinks while learning more about the Agricultural Institute.

The Agricultural Institute Office also had a booth at the Convention Career Fair. The FFA members were able to “putt for prizes” while obtaining more information about the Agricultural Institute. Many students indicated they have been accepted and look forward to attending in the fall.

AGI Orientation
Orientation for new Agricultural Institute students will be as follows:

- Transfer Session A – July 9
- Transfer Session B – July 30
- New Student Orientation (Session 9) – July 31-August 1

The Agricultural Institute Office will host a BBQ & Chicken picnic for new students and their parents beginning at 5:30 p.m. on July 31st. The picnic will be held on Harris Field (in front of Witherspoon Student Center). All AGI Faculty are encouraged to attend. Please visit the following website to sign up. The password is: sweet tea
http://harvest.cals.ncsu.edu/applications/cals_registration/index.cfm?eventID=193

AGI Faculty Meeting
There will be an AGI Faculty meeting on Monday, August 18, 10:00-12:30. The meeting room will be announced at a later date. All AGI Faculty are strongly encouraged to attend.

Wolfpack Welcome Week
The Agricultural Institute Office will host its annual Wolfpack Welcome Week event on Tuesday, August 19th beginning at 5:00 p.m. The event will be held at D.S. Weaver Labs. New students, current students and faculty are invited to attend. Stop by for fun, food and games!! This is a great opportunity to meet our new students, as well as, catch up with current ones. We look forward to seeing you there. An event website will follow.

NC AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

Kannapolis Town Hall Meeting
On July 9, 2008 Dr. Steven Lommel will present an update on the NC State Fruit and Vegetable Science Institute along with Dr. Steve Colman, Interim Chief of Operations, David H. Murdock Research Institute, who will give an update on the DHMRI "Core" lab, followed by a question and answer session. This town hall meeting will be held at the Golden LEAF Biomanufacturing Training and Education Center (BTEC) Auditorium on Centennial Campus from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and is open to the campus community.
Center for Environmental Farming Systems (CEFS)
The Board of Advisors of the Center for Environmental Farming Systems met in Goldsboro on June 24, 2008. A tour of current research on the farm took place which included beef cattle, swine, pasture rotations, weed control and horticultural crops. A luncheon was held with the summer interns and technical staff so all had a chance to interact and find out about all the work going on at the Center. Enthusiasm for the program was very high and future plans were discussed.

Small Fruit Field Day
Sandhills Research Station at Jackson Springs was the site of the June 17 Small Fruit Field Day. The planning committee, chaired by Dr. Jim Harper, and station staff, led by Mr. Jeff Chandler, had prepared for an excellent program for the 100 plus attendees. The crowd was made up of all types of producers and enthusiasts, from commercial to backyard growers, educators, and master gardener volunteers.

The program highlighted some of the exciting research that is discovering and refining methods for small fruit growers to enhance the efficiency of production, availability and quality of strawberries, blueberries, and brambles. Fortunately, the comfortable temperatures provided for a pleasant and informative afternoon in the field to see the various research and extension activities.

Day-neutral strawberries. Dr. Jim Ballington (Horticultural Science) described experiments with day-neutral strawberries to determine how they can most effectively be used to extend the strawberry season beyond the traditional spring and early summer period. To date, day-neutral strawberries appear most efficient in the western part of the state at higher elevations. Testing these at Jackson Springs will help determine if they can be grown productively and efficiently in other parts of the state.

Insect pests, weeds and diseases present special problems to growers of small fruits, as with many other crops. Dr. Hannah Burrack (Entomology), Mr. Roger Batts (Horticultural Science), and Dr. Zvezdana Pesic-VanEsbroeck (Plant Pathology) discussed identification, cultural characteristics, and prevention and treatment strategies to deal with these pests.

Dr. Ballington also described his work with developing new varieties of blueberries; especially those that can be mechanically harvested and still provide high quality and extended shelf life. Berry flavor, firmness, size and adaptability are critical aspects that are included in the breeding and selection decisions. Dr. Gina Fernandez described approaches to making the same types of advances with blackberries and raspberries. Of course, there was an opportunity for attendees to sample a wide variety of berries at the end of the field tours. Finally, Dr. Ballington announced that in the future, strawberry breeding work will be conducted by a new strawberry breeder hired to work jointly with the Department of Horticultural Science and the Fruit and Vegetable Science Institute at Kannapolis, and a portion of Dr. Ballington’s time will be devoted to Muscadine grape breeding.

Mr. Bill Cline talked about cultural methods (irrigation, soil amendments, raised beds, mulching and netting) to maximize adaptability and productivity of blueberry varieties. He showed examples of some of the most important disease problems that impact blueberries.

Finally, Connie Fisk and Gina Fernandez described the Small Fruit Demonstration Area, its purpose, and many of the varieties of Muscadine grapes, blueberries, blackberries and raspberries that have been planted there.
CALS NCARS, NCCES, NCDA&CS, Gowan Company, Sunny Ridge Farm, Inc., Syngenta Crop Protection and Valent Corporation sponsored the field day.

**University Field Lab**
Plans are continuing for the new milking parlor at Lake Wheeler. A new building will be built next to the old milking parlor. Milk from the herd goes to make ice cream in the Department of Food, Bioprocessing and Nutrition Sciences.

**IR-4 Program in CALS**
You may not be familiar with the National IR-4 program that exists in the US and its importance to agriculture. The IR-4 Project is a cooperative program of the USDA and the SAES, with the principle goal of developing data to support and to expedite regulatory clearances of newer, reduced risk pest control products for specialty crop growers. This cooperative program is a model partnership between the USDA (Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service [CSREES] and Agricultural Research Service [ARS]) as well as SAES of the nation’s land-grant university system. With headquarters at Rutgers University, and Regional State University Offices at the University of California, Cornell University, University of Florida and Michigan State University, the ARS coordinating office in Beltsville, MD, research laboratories and field research centers located in 25 states, and many university faculty, it’s easy to see that the IR-4 program is very active in securing pest control products for specialty crops.

So how is NC State, CALS and its departments involved in the IR-4 program? Over the last 14 years, the IR-4 Field Research Center in the Department of Horticultural Science has conducted over 300 trials supporting registration and re-registration of pest control products (conventional pesticides and biopesticides) for fruits, vegetables, and other specialty crops, with 21 of them supporting pesticide labeling (registrations) in small fruit (blueberry, strawberry, and brambles), 10 in tree fruit (nectarine, peaches and apples) and 27 in vegetables. According to the 2002 Census of Agriculture, the value of specialty crops in North Carolina was approximately $700 million and this has continuously increased since that time. Protecting these crops from losses due to pests can have a large economic impact on the overall agricultural economy in the state. IR-4 research data is often used in justification for Section 18, Emergency Exemption labeling for small-acreage crops. Between 1998 and 2002, the estimated crop losses due to pests in just two of our specialty crops (blueberry and sweetpotato), would have been $13.7 million if IR-4 data had not generated data to support section 18 labels in these crops. Wayne Mitchem, was director of field research for the IR-4 Field Research Center in CALS from 1994 through 1999, and Roger Batts has served as field research director since 1999. In addition, the National IR-4 program through its Southern region’s office supports many faculty working in pest management related areas across departments in CALS.

**NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION**

**Secretary Awards of Excellence – Nominations Now Accepted**
You know who they are and now its time to show how much you appreciate all they do. Nominations are being accepted through August 1 for the 2008 Secretary Awards of Excellence. For nomination guidelines and a form, visit [http://intra.ces.ncsu.edu/awards/secretariesawards.html](http://intra.ces.ncsu.edu/awards/secretariesawards.html) and click on “Secretary Awards of Excellence.” Questions? Contact Vicki Pettit at 919.515.2811 or vicki_pettit@ncsu.edu.

**New Toolkit Templates**
Visit the Extension Toolkit at [http://cals.ncsu.edu/agcomm/Toolkit/](http://cals.ncsu.edu/agcomm/Toolkit/) to see the latest additions.
• Fact Sheet Templates,
• A “new” second page template for the 8.5 x 11 newsletters in two- and three-column versions,
• A new second page for direct mail 8.5 x 11 newsletters with multiple pages,
• An updated newsletter guidance, poster-sized, downloadable files of the banner-up exhibit used at conference (18 x 24 and 24 x 36),
• Table Tent “zig-zags” – download, copy and trim to make your own table tents,
• Template Tidbits – a collection of template tricks,
• A new electronic signature file, and
• Custom county-specific logo treatments.

If you have any questions, please contact Chrystal Bartlett at chrystal_bartlett@ncsu.edu or 919-513-0934.

Sinkholes Rise in Awareness Thanks to Extension’s Dr. Rashash
Cooperative Extension’s Dr. Diana Rashash partnered with Onslow County (Planning, Emergency Management, Soil & Water Conservation) and Eastern Carolina Council of Governments to get a grant to study sinkholes in Onslow County. Funding for this study was provided by NC Division of Water Quality via a 205(j) grant. The goal is to address Onslow County’s recurring issues with sinkholes, which can form as the result of karst geology, decayed buried vegetation, or failing stormwater pipes. Property owners are usually unaware of what causes these holes, of their responsibility in the matter and how to either prevent or remedy the situation. The grant will provide education to address the problem and also improve local water quality problems that result from improper sinkhole management.

National Lumber Classes Held at NC State University
Wood Products Extension faculty conducted the National Hardwood Lumber Association’s Hardwood Lumber Grading Short Course on NC State University May 13-15. Ten participants from four states received in-depth, hands-on instruction from our Extension specialist and the National Hardwood Lumber Association’s chief inspector. On May 22, Wood Products Extension specialists conducted the Drying Hardwood Lumber: Bright, White and Flat course at N.C. State University. The 14 participants learned new drying techniques for difficult lumber species. Because they are difficult to dry, many species are not planted.

2008 NCAE 4-HA Annual Meeting in Rocky Mount
The North Central District Association of Extension 4-H Agents invite YOU to "Celebrate our Legacy of Excellence" at the 2008 NCAE4-HA annual meeting in Rocky Mount. The meeting will be held August 13-15 at the Double Tree Hilton, Rocky Mount. To register, visit http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/johnston/NCAE4HA/registration.htm.

Western District of NC Association of County Ag Agents Double the (Meeting) Fun
The Western District will host its annual meeting in Greensboro immediately before the NACAA annual meeting. The state meeting begins Friday July 11 with a business session at 2:00 p.m. and concludes that evening with an Awards Banquet. The national meeting begins Sunday, July 13, and runs through that Thursday. Details available at http://www.ncacaa.org/2008mtg/

NC Association of County Agricultural Agents Host National Conference
July 13 through July 17 (though pre-conference events begin July 11), Greensboro is the place to be! It’s taken a lot of planning, but the hard work invested by our N.C. agents promises to make this the best conference ever. Late registration is still available at
Rise to New Heights with FCS Association
The NC Extension Association of Family & Consumer Sciences meets August 5-7 at Lake Junaluska. This year’s theme is “Rise to New Heights” and the meeting takes place at the Lambuth Inn. Built in 1921, Lambuth Inn is listed on the National Register of Historic Sites. A popular destination for many guests, Lambuth Inn offers panoramic views of Lake Junaluska and the Blue Ridge Mountains. Don’t miss the fun fellowship and the pontoon ride on the lake! Details at [http://www.ncacaa.com/fcs2008/](http://www.ncacaa.com/fcs2008/)

Register for NC APAAT Conference

Homegrown Handmade Launches Guide
The June launch of the guidebook, *Homegrown Handmade: Art Roads and Farm Trails*, marked a milestone for North Carolina Cooperative Extension and the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources. Through funding by Golden LEAF, the two groups have worked together for five years developing 16 driving trails to attract tourists to 76 eastern and piedmont counties. The guidebook will complement the groups’ Web site – [www.homegrownhandmade.com](http://www.homegrownhandmade.com) -- and is available for $19.95 from retail book outlets and Cooperative Extension county centers.

HONORS:
Three Receive Award for River Video
Diana Rashash of North Carolina Cooperative Extension in Onslow County, Ken Ellzey of Communication Services, and Ed Jones, associate director and state program leader for ANR/CRD, have been recognized for the creation of a video about the New River in Onslow County. The three received an award from the Association of Natural Resource Extension Professionals at its meeting in Madison, Wis., in May. The video, titled “Caring for a River . . . Onslow County's New River,” is a 32-minute program that explores ways a variety of groups -- government and volunteer -- work to take care of the New River in Onslow County.

Ranney Wins Top Gardener Award
Tom Ranney, horticultural professor based at the Mountain Horticultural Crops Research and Extension Center in Fletcher, received in June one of the American Horticultural Society's 2008 Great American Gardener Awards, the H. Marc Cathey Award. Individuals, organizations and businesses receiving these awards represent the best in American gardening.

4-H News:
‘Cecil and Leonard’ CD to benefit North Carolina 4-H

The 4-H program is conducted by North Carolina Cooperative Extension at North Carolina State and North Carolina A&T State universities. More than 208,000 young people between the ages of 5 and 19
participate in North Carolina 4-H activities each year with the help of 21,000 adult and youth volunteers. To learn more, visit: www.nc4h.org <http://www.nc4h.org>

Z. Smith & 4-H Partner with Latino Clergy
4-H and FCS Specialist Andrew Behnke and his Department of Social Work colleagues Tina Hancock and Natalie Ames were just awarded grants from Z. Smith Reynolds and Faculty Research & Professional Development Fund to conduct train-the-trainer events to help Latino clergy prevent abuse and neglect within their congregations. This project will develop and evaluate a research-based curriculum to be piloted in 20 of North Carolina's counties.

Fairway Outdoor Advertising & North Carolina’s Operation: Military Kids (OMK) Program Unite
What a great way to promote and to create awareness about North Carolina’s Operation: Military Kids (OMK) program by having a billboard. Thanks to Fairway Outdoor Advertising for making North Carolina’s OMK dream became a reality in securing advertising opportunities through Fairway billboards. As part of Fairway's continued involvement with community service, NC's OMK Program has been provided a billboard to promote the program and to increase awareness to communities throughout North Carolina. With Fairway’s community service initiative and the collaboration with OMK, the partnership will help provide support to our military families.

The billboards will be located throughout eastern North Carolina (from the Triangle to the coast). Currently, the OMK billboard can be seen on Hwy 70 traveling from Smithfield to Goldsboro where approximately 17,000 motorists travel daily. North Carolina is home to 96,000 military children and 123,000 service men and women who are being affected by deployment and providing services to these families in our local communities is crucial. Without the generosity and collaboration of Fairway Outdoor Advertising, North Carolina’s OMK Program could not provide the support, resources, community awareness and strategies to create local support networks for our military families.

North Carolina’ Operation: Military Kids (OMK) Program is proud to have Fairway Outdoor Advertising as a partner in the mission of “supporting military families in our communities.”

Media Moments
Money doesn't grow on trees, so many plant vegetables
News & Observer - Raleigh, NC, USA
... said Carl Matyac, a master gardener and an agent with the NC Cooperative Extension, which oversees the state's gardening information hotline. ...

Local Foods Broadcast Airs Statewide
Extension Agent Debbie Roos discussed “Local Foods” on the North Carolina Report, a statewide radio public affairs show that airs on the N.C. News Network. The show aired Sunday, June 15, and a recording was posted to the show’s Web site for one week following the broadcast.

Collar Coolers Help Beat Middle East Heat
U.S. soldiers serving in the Middle East may soon thank Pasquotank County for cooler collars. Pasquotank County’s Extension and Community Association teamed up to hand-sew 100 reusable neckbands that hold moisture-retaining crystals. When soaked in cool water and worn around the neck, the neckbands cool the wearer. Service members receive theirs for free, but similar models retail for up to $12.99.
In addition to the 100 bound for the Middle East, an additional 30 neckbands are destined for the wildfire fighters in Tyrell County.

For more than 80 years, the N.C. Extension and Community Association have worked to strengthen families and improve the quality of life within our communities. Pasquotank ECA members range in age from 14 to 90 years.

ECA President Georgine Armstrong and member Faye Meades assemble neckband coolers as Cayla Patricia Cammett (right) “supervises.” Also see Elizabeth City Daily News coverage at http://www.dailyadvance.com/local/content/news/stories/2008/06/16/0618neckwrapsDM.html.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE

International Visitors

Beijing

IPO assisted Extension Administration on June 26 in a visit with faculty and administrators from Beijing University of Agriculture. The day began in a meeting with Dr. Betsy Brown, Special Assistant to the Provost, which was followed by a meeting in Patterson Hall with our Extension Administration office. We then traveled to the Chatham County Office and met with Sam Groce, Debbie Roos, Dan Campeau and Al Cooke who gave wonderful insight to their specialized areas of expertise in the county.

The staff scheduled two field visits to the Manco Dairy and Ayrshire Organic Farm. This gave the group another look into how Extension operates closely between farms, local municipal government, the community and University staff. The group had many questions and learned much from the experience and meetings. We would like to thank everyone in Dr. Ort’s office and the Chatham
County Center for making the visit a great success. We would also like to recognize the Office of International Affairs and their Program Coordinator, David Dixon, who brought this group to our attention and was very helpful throughout their visit.

Canary Islands
We also welcomed Dr. Juan Capote from the Canary Islands earlier in June. Dr. Jean-Marie Luginbuhl hosted Dr. Capote, from the International Goat Association to the Center for Environmental Farming Systems (CEFS) in Goldsboro.

Memorandum of Agreements
The IPO has a pending agreement with The Dairy Information Centre in Delhi, India. Dr. Vivek Fellner has been responsible for facilitating this agreement. Dr. Fellner expresses the following on the Centre,

“India is the leading producer of milk in the world. The Dairy Information Centre maintains one of the largest databanks of dairy personnel in India. They are also a conduit for providing trained students and experts career opportunities in the dairy industry. A working relationship with the Dairy Information Centre will provide a partner in India that can screen highly qualified students interested in the Dairy Industry to pursue academic degrees at North Carolina State University. It will also serve to receive and guide students enrolled at NCSU and other experts interested to engage in dairy related activities in India.”

We are pleased to add this institution to the list of partners with CALS.

International Training Center
IPO met with Extension Administration to discuss the invitation from a NGO to participate in development of an Agricultural Extension training center in Southeast Turkey. Dr. Joe Zublena, Dr. John Richardson and Dr. Paul Mueller had an initial meeting to determine the possibilities of working with this NGO. Future meetings will be held to determine viability of the center.

New Masters Program in CALS
IPO is working with the Peace Corp to establish a new Masters program similar to a program already available in the College of Natural Resources. This International Masters Program allows for one year of course work on-campus, the normal 2-year commitment with the Peace Corp and then a return to campus to complete the course work for the program. Dr. Paul Mueller has been in contact with Eric Goldman of the Peace Corps to begin discussing the logistics of administering the program from the Crop Science department. The initial goal is to have the program available for students by Fall 2009.

Borlaug Lecture Series 2008
We announced last month that Mr. M. Peter McPherson, President of NASULGC, will be this year’s distinguished lecturer for Borlaug 2008. The lecture dates will be October 6-7, 2008. So please mark your calendars now! Contact Patricia Holoman at 515-2818 or patricia_holoman@ncsu.edu if you would like more information or would like to volunteer your time during those days. Look for subsequent emails with more information on important dates and volunteer groups available.
Staff Announcement
Anne Porter will serve as Director of Development for Academic Programs and the JC Raulston Arboretum effective July 1, 2008. In Anne's new position she will continue fundraising activities on behalf of Academic Programs, and assume leadership for all development activities at the Arboretum including membership, fundraising events and major gifts.

CALS Donor Recognition Gala & Campaign Celebration, November 2, 2008, at the Sheraton Imperial
More details will follow.

Save the Date for Upcoming CALS ALUMNI & FRIENDS sponsored events for 2008

- **CALS Tailgate 2008!!! - Celebrate the Tradition**
  CALS Tailgate 2008 is scheduled for Saturday, September 6, in Dorton Arena (1 p.m. - 5 p.m) in conjunction with the NC State vs. William and Mary football game (kick off is 6 p.m.). Celebrate the tradition and join over 1500 plus faculty, staff, students, alumni and their families and enjoy this great event! Early registration is requested as football tickets are limited; a printable form is available at [www.cals.ncsu.edu/alumni](http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/alumni)

  Would you like to assist us at this event as a volunteer? Volunteers are needed, so sign up with the CALS Alumni & Friends Society Office. All departments and student clubs are welcome to set up exhibits. An exhibit form will be available soon.

  Tax-deductible auction items are being accepted now at the CALS Alumni & Friends Society Office. All proceeds of this silent auction go to CALS student scholarships.

  We hope to see you at the largest event in our College!!

- **AGI Reunion - Saturday, September 27, 2008 – L.R. Harrill Youth Center (NC State vs. S. Florida game) Time TBD**

- **CALS Alumni Awards Reception - Friday, October 3, 2008 - Univ. Club (5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)**

- **CALS Retiree Luncheon - Saturday, December 6, 2008 – McKimmon Center (11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.)**

For more information on these events, contact [julia_brooks@ncsu.edu](mailto:julia_brooks@ncsu.edu) or call 919-515-7222 or 919-515-6212.

CALS Chronicle Enewsletter!
The official enewsletter of CALS Alumni and Friends Society is sent quarterly. Please send your announcements, departmental events, updates and departmental news for the next issue to [calsalum@ncsu.edu](mailto:calsalum@ncsu.edu). If you wish to subscribe to the enewsletter, email [calsalum@ncsu.edu](mailto:calsalum@ncsu.edu).

The Silver Wolf Newsletter
The second edition of The Silver Wolf Newsletter (bi-annual publication) will be published this summer. The Silver Wolf is a hard copy newsletter for CALS Retirees and their spouses. If you have
departmental information, retiree information, announcements, events, printed material you would like to insert, resource information, or a "departmental ad" to submit for our next edition, please send to Julia Brooks, julia_brooks@ncsu.edu by July 11.

**Employee Retiree List**
We need your help! We request that all departments and county offices please continue to send us your updated retiree lists with all contact information available. Once an employee retires, please send Julia Brooks julia_brooks@ncsu.edu a quick e-mail letting her know so that she may add them to our list.

**North Carolina 4-H Centennial Ice Cream Flavor**
In partnership with the NC State Food Science Dairy, the North Carolina 4-H program is developing its own North Carolina 4-H Centennial Ice Cream Flavor. In a contest to be unveiled at the 2008 NC 4-H Congress, 4-H'ers, volunteer leaders, agents and friends will be asked to hold county competitions to select a semi-finalist flavor to be submitted for competition on the state level. A select committee will then narrow the field to 10 finalists, with final selection going out to counties for voting for the top three. Once trial batches are created, a final selection committee will determine the best flavor fit for the North Carolina 4-H Centennial. We have proposals in front of Commissioner Troxler to be able to sell pints of ice cream at the 2009 NC State Fair, and a marketing plan is in place to promote the product throughout 2009. Proceeds from the ice cream sale will be used to fund other programming possibilities during the Centennial year.

**Got Gifts-In-Kind?**
If you have received donations of equipment, materials, supplies or services, please complete the form BA-151 [http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/ba151.doc](http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/ba151.doc) and forward to chris_wessel@ncsu.edu. We will make sure your donors are sent University receipts and acknowledgment letters showing how important their support is to CALS.

Call Chris at 919-515-7678 if you have any questions about non-cash gifts.

**CALS Gift Legacy Web Site**
To better serve faculty and staff with helpful information, we have created a comprehensive gift planning Web site. We have an increasing number of friends of the College who now are benefiting from life income gifts, gift annuities and other charitable vehicles. Thank you for taking the time to explore the benefits of gift planning at [http://cals.giftlegacy.com/](http://cals.giftlegacy.com/).

You may support any area of the College and join or renew your Arboretum membership online using our secure website. Visit [http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/givenow](http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/givenow) for safe, convenient online giving!

**Advancement Advantage Guide to Services**
College Advancement is pleased to announce the availability of our Advancement Advantage Guide to Services on-line. This information is designed to educate CALS faculty, staff and administrators about the resources available through these divisions. By doing so, we hope to expand access to our services, and increase support of and service to departments and college-wide initiatives. This web site is a work in progress and will be updated on a regular basis. To access this information, just click on the following link [http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/resource_guide.htm](http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/resource_guide.htm)
**CALS PERSONNEL – NEW HIRES FOR JUNE 2008**

**New Campus Employees - Faculty**
Julie Grossman, Assistant Professor, Soil Science

**New Campus Employees - Staff**
Kevin Thomas, Administrative Support Specialist, 4H Youth Development and Family & Consumer Sciences
Marc Hall, Visual Arts Specialist, Communication Services
Lavanya Turlapati, Research Assistant, Genetics

**New County Employees**
Melissa Ann Abbott, Program Assistant, Carteret County
Jacob P. Morgan, Assistant Extension Agent, Jones County
Robert Potter, Jr., Assistant Extension Agent, Mitchell County
Jamie Warner, Assistant Extension Agent, Montgomery County
Angela Richardson, Administrative Secretary, Pender County

**2008 FIELD DAYS**

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